



2020– 2021 SCHOOL PROFILE

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School Background: St. Joseph High School is a Catholic, college preparatory, co-educational high school sponsored by the Brothers of the Christian Schools. The mission and purpose of St. Joseph High School is to provide a quality, Lasallian education focused around an inclusive faith community and bolstered by a respect for all persons, with preference for the poor. The holistic educational experience students receive at St. Joseph High School equips them to act as informed contributors to society.

St. Joseph is accredited by the **North Central Association of Secondary Schools/AdvancED** and by the **Illinois Board of Education**. In 2015, St. Joseph High School completed an evaluation by the Quality Assurance Review Team of the North Central Association and was awarded the CASI/SACS Accreditation. St. Joseph High School is a member of the National Education Association, Christian Brothers Education Association, National Association for College Admission Counseling, Illinois High School Association, Chicago Catholic League, and Girls Catholic Athletic Conference.

Community: St. Joseph High School is located in Westchester, Illinois approximately 12 miles from downtown Chicago. However, the students of St. Joseph reside in over 22 surrounding communities including Westchester, Chicago, Cicero, Berwyn, Bellwood, Broadview, Glen Ellyn, Melrose Park, North Riverside, Oak Park, and the far reaching communities of Woodridge, Elgin and Bolingbrook. Currently, there are 185 students: 52 seniors, 43 juniors, 48 sophomores and 42 freshmen. The racial make-up of the school is 51% African-American, 6% Bi-racial/Asian, 13% Caucasian, and 28% Hispanic. There are 24 professional faculty with 54% having a Masters degree or beyond. There is one full-time school counselor.

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| G raduation Requirements: | |
| Religion | 4.0 |
| English | 4.0 |
| Mathematics | 3.0 |
| Science | 3.0 |
| Social Studies | 3.0 |
| Modern Language/Fine Arts | 2.0 |
| Physical Education | 1.0 |
| Health | 0.5 |
| Economics | 0.5 |
| Digital Citizenship | 1.0 |
| Electives | 1.5 |
| *All students must complete a minimum of 40 hours of Community Service. | |

Grade Point Average and Class Rank: SJHS utilizes a 4.0 GPA scale. Course weightings are listed below. Cumulative GPA is calculated at the end of each semester, and class rank is determined by cumulative GPA. Physical Education and Peer Ministry are not calculated in the GPA.

| AP Courses | Honors Courses | College Prep Courses |
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| A = 5.0 | A = 4.5 | A = 4.0 |
| B = 4.0 | B = 3.5 | B = 3.0 |
| C = 3.0 | C = 2.5 | C = 2.0 |
| D = 2.0 | D = 1.5 | D = 1.0 |
| F = 0.0 | F = 0.0 | F = 0.0 |
| *Based on a 4.0 Scale | | |

Curriculum (2017-2021)

Business

Accounting 1, Accounting 2, Business Law 1, Business Law 2, Economics, and Marketing

English

English 1, 2, 3, 4, English 1 Honors, English 2 Honors, English 3 Honors, English 4 Honors, AP English Literature & Composition, Reading 1, 2, Creative Writing, Journalism, and Speech & Debate

Fine Arts

Beginning Art, Art 1, Art 2, Art 3, Art 4, Advanced Studio, Building With Clay, Concert Band, Film Photography, Photo Journalism, Digital Art 1, Digital Art Advanced Studio, Digital Photography, Graphic Design, Independent Study, Introduction to Theatre, Theatre 2, Vocal Ensemble, Introduction to Animation, Advanced Animation and Introduction to Video Editing & Production

Mathematics

Pre-Algebra, Algebra 1, Algebra 1 Honors, Algebra 2, Algebra 2 Honors, Geometry, Geometry Honors, Advanced Math Topics, Pre-Calculus, Pre-Calculus Honors, and AP Calculus (AB)

Modern Language

Spanish 1, 2, 3, 4, Spanish 1 Honors, Spanish 2 Honors, Spanish 3 Honors, Spanish 4 Honors, Spanish 5 Honors, and AP Spanish Language & Culture

Physical Education

Physical Education and Health Education

Religion

Religion 1, 2, 3, 4, Peer Ministry, Theology & Film

Science

Crime Investigation, Biology, Biology Honors, Chemistry, Chemistry Honors, Earth Science, Human Anatomy & Physiology, Human Anatomy & Physiology Honors, Physical Science, Physics, and Physics Honors

Social Studies

American History, American History Honors, Current Events, History of Chicago, Introduction to Psychology, Sociology, U.S. History /Govt., U.S. History/Govt. Honors, World Cultures, World Cultures Honors, and World Religions

Technology

Computer Applications, Introduction to Computer Programming, Digital Citizenship, and Webpage Development

School Organization: 2020-2021 school year will consist of a hybrid model (2-days on campus, two days elearning and alternating 1/2 days on Fridays). The school year consists of two semesters with a total of four academic quarters. Each quarter is approximately nine weeks long. The school day begins at 8:00 AM and concludes at 2:30 PM. The day is divided into seven academic periods. St. Joseph High School offers three Advanced Placement courses, 22 Honors courses and a college preparatory program. Student placement is dependent on testing and teacher recommendation.

Testing: 99% of the Class of 2020 completed the ACT test. Average ACT Score: 20.0.

Graduate Profile: The 2020 graduating class consisted of 64 students with a 100% graduation rate. 67% are attending four-year colleges/universities (listed below), 24% attend two-year colleges (listed below) and 9% have entered the workforce, military or trades. The class of 2020 had five Illinois State Scholars, with 37% of the class receiving over \$5.0 million in scholarships.

Members of the **Class of 2020** have been accepted to and are attending the following colleges/universities:

Arizona Community College
California State University
College of DuPage Community College
Columbia College Chicago
Concordia University Chicago
Dominican University
Eastern Illinois University
Elmhurst College
George Williams College
Fisk University

Illinois State University
Kentucky State University
Kishwaukee College
Lasalle University, Philippines
Lewis University
Loyola University, New Orleans
Malcolm X Community College
Marquette University
Morton Community College
National Louis University

Quincy University
Ripon College
Saint Xavier University
St. Norbert University
Triton Community College
Tuskegee University
University of Illinois at Chicago
University of Illinois at Springfield
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
University of Iowa
University of Michigan

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