



2011-2012 Academic Profile

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The School

Southwest Christian School (SCS) is an independent, interdenominational, Christian preparatory school. SCS was founded in 1969 and currently offers classes in the divisions of Early Childhood, Elementary School (K- Grade 6), Middle School (Grades 7-8) and High School (Grades 9-12). The Elementary Campus accommodates students in Early Childhood through Grade 6, while students in Grades 7-12 attend classes at the Preparatory Campus. SCS nurtures the development of interests through opportunities in advanced academics, athletics, fine arts, organizations, leadership and community service, all in an atmosphere of Christian values.

Accreditation

Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS)

Memberships

National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS)
Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools (TAPPS)
Texas Association of Non-Public Schools (TANS)
Texas Private Schools Accreditation Commission (TEPSAC)
Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI)
Private Schools Interscholastic Association (PSIA)
National Association for College Admission Counseling (NACAC)

North American Coalition for Christian Admissions Professionals (NACCAP)

Admission Requirements

Southwest Christian School is committed to diversity and actively seeks students who can contribute to the mission of the school and who will benefit from an SCS education. Enrollment is open to all college-bound students of any race, color, nationality or ethnic origin who meet the entrance requirements and who strive both in conduct and achievement to maintain satisfactory progress. Admission is determined by an entrance exam, previous school records, recommendations, and an interview with the Principal.

Faculty Profile

The Southwest Christian School faculty is composed of dedicated, well-educated professionals who hold state or ACSI teaching certificates. The majority of our faculty have or are pursuing advanced degrees.

2011-2012 Enrollment

Total Enrollment: 901
Early Childhood Division: 62
Elementary Division: 389
Middle School Division: 132
High School Division: 318
Senior Class: 79

Advanced Course Offerings

ENGLISH

Pre-AP English I
Pre-AP English II
AP English Language
AP English Literature
English 1301 Composition and Rhetoric Dual Credit
English 1302 Composition and Literature Dual Credit
English 2301 World Literature I
English 2302 World Literature II
English 2311 British Literature I Dual Credit
English 2312 British Literature II Dual Credit
English 2321 American Literature I Dual Credit
English 2322 American Literature II Dual Credit

SOCIAL STUDIES

Advanced World Cultures Honors
AP Economics
Government Honors
World History I Honors
World History II Honors
International Studies 2399 Dual Credit
U.S. History 2321
U.S. History 2322
World History 2301
World History 2302

SCIENCE

Anatomy and Physiology Honors
Pre-AP Biology I
AP Biology II
Pre-AP Chemistry
Physics Honors
Microbiology/Forensics Honors
AP Chemistry II

MATH

Algebra II Honors
Geometry Honors
MAT 1302 College Algebra Dual Credit
MAT 1303 Pre-calculus Honors or Dual Credit
MAT 1324 Calculus I Honors or Dual Credit
AP Statistics

FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Chinese II Honors
Chinese III Honors
AP Chinese
Spanish II Honors
Spanish III Honors

BIBLE

Bible III Honors
Bible IV Honors
REL 1311 Introductory Studies in the Old Testament
Dual Credit
REL 1312 Introductory Studies in the New Testament
Dual Credit
REL 1321 World Religions Dual Credit
Leadership and Life Calling Dual Credit

FINE ARTS

AP Studio Art 2-D Design
AP Studio Art 3-D Design
AP Studio Art Drawing

ELECTIVES

Psychology Honors
Exs. 1220 Health and Fitness Dual Credit

Class Rank

Based on the selective nature of our admissions, the size of our classes, and the academic caliber of our students, Southwest Christian School does not rank students academically.

Grading Policy

Southwest Christian School uses a 4.0 numerical grading scale. All Honors, Pre-Advanced Placement, Advanced Placement and Dual Credit courses are weighted on a 5.0 scale. The purpose of weighting is to acknowledge the depth and complexity of advanced courses.

A 90-100%

B 80-89%

C 70-79%

Failing grade 69% and below

Only grades from SCS are used to calculate GPA.

Graduation Requirements

Subject	Texas Recommended Plan		*Texas Distinguished Plan	
	30.5 credits		30.5 credits	
Bible (local requirement)		4		4
English		4		4
Mathematics		4		4
Social Studies		**4		**4
World Language	2 in the same language	3	All in the same language	3
Science		4		4
Physical Education		1		1
Fine Arts		2		2
Speech		0.5		0.5
Elective Courses		4		4
Total		30.5		30.5

*** The Distinguished Plan requirements also include student achievement of four advanced measures, which include:**

- A score of three or above on a College Board Advanced Placement examination
- A score on the PSAT that qualifies a student for recognition as a commended scholar or higher by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation; as part of the National Hispanic Scholar Program of the College Board, or as part of the National Achievement Scholarship program for Outstanding Negro Students of the National Merit Scholarship Corporation
- College courses, college academic courses, and tech-prep articulated college courses with a GPA of 3.0 or higher (Three hours of college credit with grade of A or B equals one advanced measure.)

**** Students must complete four credits of Social Studies during high school. These requirements began with the class of 2012.**

SAT Scores

Southwest Christian School seniors take the SAT or ACT exam prior to graduation. The scores below represent the average scores for the class of 2011 who are now attending a four-year college.

	SCS Top 15%	SCS Average	National Average	Texas Average
SAT Critical reading & math only	1251	1070	1011	981
ACT	29.6	24	21.1	20.8

College Enrollment For the Classes of 2005-2011

Over the past five years, 99% of SCS graduates have attended two- or four-year colleges or universities. The colleges and universities listed have been attended by at least one Southwest Christian School graduate.

Abilene Christian University	Schreiner University
The American Musical and Dramatic Academy	Southwestern University
Austin College	St. Edward's University
Baylor University	St. Olaf College
Belmont University	Southern Methodist University
Berklee College of Music	Stephen F. Austin State University
Briar Cliff University	SUNY- Stony Brook University
Brown University	Tabor College
California Baptist University	Tarleton State University
Chapman University	Texas A&M University
Colorado State University	Texas A&M University at Corpus Christi
Cornerstone University	Texas A&M University at Galveston
Culinary Institute of America	Texas Christian University
Dallas Baptist University	Texas State University
Dordt College	Texas Tech University
Eckerd College	Texas Wesleyan University
Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising	Texas Woman's University
Florida State University	Trinity University
Georgia Institute of Technology	Union University
Hardin Simmons University	University of Alabama
Harding University	University of Arkansas
Hillsdale College	University of Colorado at Boulder
Howard University	University of Dallas
Howard Payne University	University of Kansas
Iowa Wesleyan College	University of Mary Hardin Baylor
John Brown University	University of Maryland, College Park
LeTourneau University	University of Minnesota
Liberty University	University of Mississippi
Louisiana State University	University of North Texas
Kansas State University	University of Oklahoma
King's College—New York	University of Texas
Lubbock Christian University	University of Texas at Arlington
New York University	University of Texas at San Antonio
Missouri State University	University of Texas at Tyler
Oklahoma Christian University	University of Tulsa
Oklahoma State University	Washburn University
Oral Roberts University	Weatherford College
Ouachita Baptist University	Weber State University
Pepperdine University	West Texas A&M University
Principia College	Wheaton College
Rhodes College	William Woods University
Samford University	U.S. Military Academy at West Point
Savannah College of Art and Design	