



2020-2021 Academic Profile

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The School

Southwest Christian School (SCS) is an independent, interdenominational, Christian college preparatory school. Founded in 1969, SCS offers classes in the divisions of Pre-K, Elementary School (K-Grade 6), Middle School (Grades 7-8) and High School (Grades 9-12). The Chisholm Trail Campus accommodates students in Pre-K through Grade 6. Students in Grades 7-12 attend classes at the Lakeside Campus. SCS does not modify curriculum. However, academic support services are available to students with diagnosed learning differences. 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

AdvancED/Southern Association of Colleges and Schools on Accreditation and School Improvement (SACS, CASI)

Admission Requirements

Southwest Christian School is committed to diversity and actively seeks students who can contribute to the mission of the school and benefit from a college preparatory education. Enrollment is open to all college-bound students of any race, 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.

2020-2021 Enrollment *as of Aug. 13

Total Enrollment: 820
Pre-K Division: 62
Elementary Division: 327
Middle School Division: 122
High School Division: 309
Senior Class: 70

Faculty Profile

The Southwest Christian School faculty is composed of dedicated, well-educated professionals. All building administrators and executive leadership hold advanced degrees. The instructional staff for the Lakeside Campus includes more than 60% holding or pursuing advanced degrees.

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)
Christian Admissions National American Coalition for Professionals (NACCAP)

SCS Class of 2021 Graduation Requirements

Bible: <i>Bible I, II, III, IV (or equivalent)</i>	4
English: <i>English I, II, III, IV (or equivalent)</i>	4**
Mathematic : <i>Algebra I, II, Geometry, plus one additional</i>	4**
Social Studies: <i>World Geography, World History, US History, Economics*, Government*</i> <i>*-one semester</i>	4**
Science: <i>Biology, Chemistry, Physics, plus one additional</i>	4
World Language:	3 (at least two in the same language)
Physical Education	1
Fine Arts:	1
Elective Courses:	2
TOTAL:	27

** Students must complete these credits during High School.

Standardized Testing

Southwest Christian School seniors take the SAT or ACT exam prior to graduation. The scores below represent the top 10% and the mid 50% scores for the class of 2020 who are now attending a four-year college.

SCS Top 10%		Critical Reading	Math
SAT		705	733
ACT Composite	32		

SCS mid 50%		Critical Reading	Math
SAT		530-640	510-630
ACT Composite	21-27		

COVID-19 Statement

In response to mandatory quarantine requirements by the state of Texas, Southwest Christian School transitioned to online learning on March 23, 2020 for the final nine weeks of our 2019-2020 school year. Students participated in synchronous class meetings twice a week and continued to complete assignments and assessments through our learning management system. Assignments and assessments aligned with typical measurements of student growth that were used throughout the preceding three quarters, and grades reflect student learning and mastery of content during the final nine weeks of our school year.

Advanced Course Offerings

AP and Dual Credit - Grades 11 and 12

ENGLISH

Honors English I
Honors English II
Honors English III
Dual Credit/Honors Composition & Rhetoric
Dual Credit/Honors Composition & Literature
Dual Credit/Honors American Literature
Dual Credit/Honors British Literature
AP English Language
AP English Literature

SOCIAL STUDIES

Honors World History
Dual Credit/Honors US History
Dual Credit/Honors Advanced World Cultures
Honors Government
Honors Economics

SCIENCE

Dual Credit/Honors Anatomy and Physiology
Honors Biology
Honors Chemistry

Dual Credit/Honors Engineering Design
AP Physics I
AP Biology
AP Chemistry
AP Computer Science Principles

MATH

Honors Geometry
Honors Algebra II
Dual Credit/Honors College Algebra
Dual Credit/Honors Pre Calculus
Dual Credit/Honors Calculus I
AP Calculus AB
AP Statistics
Dual Credit/Honors Statistics

WORLD LANGUAGES

Honors Chinese I
Honors Chinese II
Honors Chinese III
Dual Credit/Honors Chinese IV

Dual Credit/Honors Chinese V
Honors Spanish I
Honors Spanish II
Honors Spanish III
Dual Credit/Honors Spanish IV
Dual Credit/Honors Spanish V

FINE ARTS

Honor Band
Honor Choir
Honors Advanced Acting
Honors Artistic Design
AP Studio Art – 2-D Design
AP Studio Art – 3-D Design
AP Studio Art – Drawing
Honors Yearbook

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.

National Merit

From 2013-2020, Southwest Christian School has had 16 National Merit Commended Students, five National Merit Scholars, three National Hispanic Scholars and 24 NASA High School Aerospace Scholars.

Advanced Placement

SCS offers up to 11 AP courses. Students are advised to take no more than three AP classes in 11th and 12th grade. A student must receive permission to exceed these guidelines. A majority of our students participate in our dual credit offerings.

Endorsements

All students who complete four years of high school at SCS will earn a Texas Multidisciplinary Studies endorsement and graduate with Texas Distinguished Level of Achievement. Many students will also be eligible for the Arts and Humanities endorsement or the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) endorsement.

Grading Policy

Southwest Christian School uses a 4.0 numerical grading scale. All Honors, 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. **Only grades from SCS are used to calculate GPA.**

A 90-100%

B 80-89%

C 70-79%

Failing grade 69% and below

College Enrollment For the Classes of 2015-2020

Over the past six 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	Marymount Manhattan College	University of Alabama
Allegheny College	McGill University - Canada	University of Arizona
Andrews University	McNeese State University	University of Arkansas
Angelo State University	Michigan State University	University of Arkansas - Rich Mountain
Auburn University	Mississippi State University	University of Arkansas - Fort Smith
Austin College	Missouri State University	University of California, San Diego
Baylor University	Morehead State University	University of Colorado, Boulder
Belmont University	New York University	University of Dallas
Biola University	Northeastern State University	University of Kansas
Blinn College	Oklahoma Baptist University	University of Kentucky
Central Christian College	Oklahoma City University	University of Mary Hardin-Baylor
Centre College	Oklahoma State University	University of Mississippi
Colorado Christian University	Oklahoma Wesleyan University	University of Montana
Concordia University - Chicago	Pepperdine University	University of North Texas
Dallas Baptist University	Prairie View A&M University	University of Northern Colorado
Duke University	Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology	University of Notre Dame
East Texas Baptist University	Samford University	University of Oklahoma
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University - FL	Savannah College of Art and Design	University of the Ozarks
George Mason University	School of the Art Institute of Chicago	University of South Carolina
Georgia Institute of Technology	Sewanee: The University of the South	University of Tampa
Grand Canyon University	Southern Methodist University	University of Texas, Arlington
Gustavus Adolphus College	Southwestern University	University of Texas, Austin
Harding University	Stephen F. Austin State University	University of Texas, Dallas
Hardin-Simmons University	Tarleton State University	University of Texas, Rio Grande Valley
Henderson State University	Tarrant County College	University of Tulsa
Hope College	Texas A&M University	University of Utah
Houston Baptist University	Texas A&M University, Corpus Christi	Weatherford College
Howard Payne University	Texas A&M University, Galveston	Webster University
Hunter College of SUNY	Texas Christian University	Wheaton College, Illinois
Kentucky Christian University	Texas Lutheran University	
Kentucky State University	Texas State University	
Lamar University	Texas Tech University	
LeTourneau University	Texas Wesleyan University	
Liberty University	Trinity University	