

Welcome to High School!

We are thrilled with the opportunity to walk alongside you and your student as you embark on the journey to high school. We look forward to partnering with you as your child learns their essential academics through a Biblical worldview. We want to help you feel confident during your student's high school years. Let's work together to help our students build a strong academic and spiritual foundation for success!



HS Program Highlights

- 7 periods per day
- 27 credits needed to graduate Graduation
- Degree Plan is provided to track student's progress
- Core Requirements:
 - 4 years each: Math, English, Social Studies, Science
 - 1 credit Fine Arts
 - 1 credit Athletics or Strength & Conditioning
 - 2 years of Spanish
 - 3+ years of various electives
 - Bible every year while at BCS

Course Catalog

- The catalog includes a description of core courses, electives, and Dual Credit (DC) options. We encourage you to review the catalog together with your student to help guide their course selection based on their academic interests and future goals.

Valedictorian/Salutatorian

- The student with the highest weighted GPA at the end of their senior Fall semester is designated the Valedictorian of their Senior Class. The second ranked student is designated Salutatorian. To be considered, a student must complete 8 contiguous semesters at BCS, maintain a cumulative grade of 94 or better, be an upstanding member of NHS and have demonstrated a constant Christian witness in their daily walk. Each program will have their own Val/Sal.

New Policy Information

- Beginning with the classes of 2029, students transferring between STREAM and Traditional programs will not be eligible for Valedictorian or Salutatorian.

National Honor Society

- A merit-based organization for 9th - 12th grade. Students are selected based on an overall 93 GPA in 9th grade, membership application and faculty advisory council approval. The GPA only allows students to be eligible to apply, it doesn't guarantee acceptance into the organization. Membership in NJHS does not guarantee acceptance.

Class Rank

- Class rank is determined by the weighted GPA and taken from all of the student's grades earned in high school classes. DC and Honors courses are weighted. We are a limited-ranking school and only report class rank for Val, Sal and the top 10% of the class. Class rank may also be reported when requested for scholarship application purposes.

Academic Advising

- Candace Tolentino, our College and Academic Advisor, meets individually with each family sophomore year and upon request to guide students through the selection of courses as well as college and career planning.
- If a student is not on track to graduate, a notification will be sent and meeting requested.

Contact Us

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GPA



- GPA only includes High School Credit classes including 8th grade IPC, Spanish 1 and Algebra 1
- Honors Weighted GPA: 0-5.0 Scale
- Unweighted GPA: 0-4.0 Scale
- Honors: Highest GPA is 4.6
- Dual Credit: Highest GPA is 5.0

Dual Credit

- We use Colorado Christian University (CCU) for all approved DC course work.
- ONLY approved CCU classes will be added to the BCS HS Transcript. (Any unapproved college courses taken from CCU or another university will NOT be added to the BCS Transcript)
- Must be a full time student (either program) Please see additional DC document

College Tours

- We provide free college campus tours and career exploration opportunities throughout the year. See Weekly Warrior to Register.

Important Dates

- **Course Registration:** Course request links for each grade are sent out via email from Tashi Land. Seniors have priority in course selection with freshmen having last priority.
- **Prep Days:** Late July/Early August before school starts. Mrs. Land will communicate with families via email regarding dates and details.

Bracken Diploma/TAPPS

- 4 core classes every year are needed for a BCS diploma and to participate in TAPPS athletics

Honor Roll

- **High Honor Roll** - Students who receive a grade of 93 or above in all academic classes and have maintained satisfactory conduct and discipline are eligible starting freshmen year.
- **Honor Roll**- Students who receive a grade of 88 or above in all academic classes and have maintained satisfactory conduct and discipline are eligible starting freshmen year.

Transcripts

- Please go to the following link to request transcripts for college applications or scholarships. [Parchment](#)
- This link is also on the BCS [Website](#) under Academics, High School or email Candace Tolentino for an electronic copy

We are here to help!

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