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2017-2018 School Profile

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MISSION

Saint Ignatius College Prep, a Jesuit Catholic school in the heart of Chicago, is a diverse community dedicated to educating young men and women for lives of faith, love, service, and leadership. Through outstanding teaching and personal formation, the school challenges its talented student body to intellectual excellence, integrity, and life-long learning and growth. Inspired by the gospel of Jesus Christ, this community strives to use God's gifts to promote social justice for the greater glory of God.

FACILITIES

Founded in 1869, and recognized as a National Historic Landmark, our original school building is one of only five existing Chicago structures to predate the Great Fire of 1871. Saint Ignatius College Prep resides on a 25-acre campus, which includes the original building and modern facilities, and is located 1.5 miles southwest of Chicago's Loop, adjacent to the University of Illinois at Chicago.

ACCREDITATION/ASSOCIATIONS

Jesuit Schools Network
 National Catholic Education Association
 National Association of Independent Schools
 AdvancEd
 State of Illinois
 MEMBER: NACAC, IACAC, JHSCCA, ICA, and ISCA

ADMISSION

Admission to Saint Ignatius College Prep is selective and we admit students of any gender, race or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities made available at the school. Saint Ignatius College Prep has a long tradition of providing substantial tuition assistance for those students and families with demonstrated need.

In January of 2014, 938 candidates completed the STS High School Placement Test (HSPT) at Saint Ignatius College Prep and 383 matriculated into the Class of 2018.

ENROLLMENT

Saint Ignatius College Prep has a total enrollment of approximately 1450 students in grades 9-12; the current senior class size is 361. Our students represent a rich diversity of backgrounds from many of the private and public grammar schools in the greater Chicago metropolitan area. Geographically, students hail from over 295 different grammar schools and reside in 160 different zip codes within seven counties and three states. We are proud that 36% of our students represent ethnic minority groups.

FACULTY

Saint Ignatius employs 150 administrators, professional staff, and faculty. Of the faculty, 83% hold a master's degree or higher. The student-to-administrator/professional staff/faculty ratio is 11:1 and the student-to-faculty ratio is 15:1.

DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS – CLASSES OF 2018 & 2019

| <u>Subject</u> | <u>College Prep Diploma</u> | <u>Honors Diploma</u> |
|-------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| English | 4 | 4 |
| Language | 3 (in the same language) | 4** (in the same language) |
| Mathematics | 3 | 4** |
| Social Studies | 3 | 3 |
| Religious Studies | 4 | 4 |
| Lab Science | 2 | 3** |
| Total Wellness | 1 | 1 |
| Fine Arts | 1 | 1 |
| Multimedia | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| Electives | 2.0 | 0.5 |
| Total | 23.5 | 25* (3 at Honors level) (1 at AP level) |

* plus a minimum 3.0 GPA with no failing semester grade
 ** A substitution of one credit within the department of Language, Math and Science may be made with approval from the Assistant Principal of Academic Programs.

TESTING INFORMATION

Summary of the Class of 2017 scores includes those who took the ACT and/or SAT between 2015-2017.

| ACT - Number tested: 306 | | |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| | Saint Ignatius | State |
| <i>Subject</i> | <i>Mean</i> | <i>Mean</i> |
| English | 30.5 | 21.0 |
| Math | 27.8 | 21.2 |
| Reading | 29.8 | 21.6 |
| Sci. Reas. | 27.6 | 21.3 |
| Comp. | 29.1 | 21.4 |

| SAT - Number tested: 69 | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| | Saint Ignatius | District |
| <i>Subject</i> | <i>Mean</i> | <i>Mean</i> |
| ERW | 670 | 629 |
| Math | 668 | 617 |
| Total | 1338 | 1246 |

Class of 2017

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARS
8 Finalists and 26 Commended

NATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARS
(Program discontinued)

National Hispanic Recognition Program
7 Students Recognized

ILLINOIS STATE SCHOLARS
153

TRANSCRIPT INFORMATION

The Saint Ignatius College Prep academic year is divided into two semesters with official grades reported in early January and early June. Official transcripts are released only to accredited educational institutions. Official standardized test scores are to be sent directly from the testing agency.

GPA's are calculated on a weighted 4.0 scale. "H" Honors courses receive an extra .33 weighting; "AP" Advanced Placement and "APJ" AP / Jesuit Virtual Learning Academy courses receive an extra .66 weighting.

Abbreviations used on Transcript

- H Honors Course
- AP Advanced Placement
- APJ AP / Jesuit Virtual Learning Academy
- HTR Honors Transfer Course
- J Jesuit Virtual Learning Academy
- PBE Passed-by-Exam
- SUM Summer School course
- SST Self-study course
- TRF Course transferred from another school

Courses listed as *passed-by-exam* and/or *transferred* are not averaged into the GPA.

HONOR ROLL

3.83 and higher = First Honors with Distinction
3.33 to 3.829 = First Honors
2.83 to 3.329 = Second Honors

CLASS RANK / GRADE INFORMATION

Saint Ignatius College Prep **does not rank** students. In an effort to assist admission officers, we have provided a grade distribution for every department and the school wide grading scale.

**DEPARTMENTAL GRADE DISTRIBUTIONS
FOR CLASS OF 2018 - SIXTH SEMESTER**

| | | A | B | C | D |
|-------------------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| ENGLISH | (+) 10.45 | 11.75 | 3.17 | 0.29 | |
| | () 31.36 | 14.85 | 3.24 | 0.22 | |
| | (-) 17.02 | 5.41 | 0.94 | 0.43 | |
| LANGUAGE | (+) 13.81 | 10.46 | 3.08 | 0.54 | |
| | () 25.87 | 15.42 | 3.89 | 1.21 | |
| | (-) 17.96 | 4.56 | 1.61 | 0.27 | |
| MATH | (+) 9.18 | 11.93 | 5.35 | 1.01 | |
| | () 17.43 | 18.44 | 7.81 | 1.59 | |
| | (-) 14.46 | 8.39 | 2.96 | 0.29 | |
| SOCIAL STUDIES | (+) 16.21 | 9.89 | 3.12 | 0.23 | |
| | () 30.37 | 16.36 | 2.59 | 0.61 | |
| | (-) 14.16 | 4.34 | 1.07 | 0.23 | |
| RELIGIOUS STUDIES | (+) 22.64 | 8.80 | 1.59 | 0.43 | |
| | () 31.36 | 10.96 | 3.60 | 0.43 | |
| | (-) 14.85 | 3.53 | 0.72 | 0.14 | |
| LAB SCIENCES | (+) 9.14 | 12.70 | 4.43 | 1.09 | |
| | () 20.54 | 19.30 | 5.66 | 0.73 | |
| | (-) 16.40 | 6.17 | 2.18 | 0.73 | |
| FINE ARTS | (+) 57.16 | 2.30 | 0.20 | 0.10 | |
| | () 26.73 | 3.60 | 0.30 | 0.10 | |
| | (-) 8.31 | 0.70 | 0.00 | 0.10 | |

ALL NUMBERS LISTED ARE PERCENTAGES.
I.E.: 8.22 = 8.22 %

SPECIAL CURRICULUM FEATURES

Saint Ignatius College Prep offers a rigorous academic curriculum in the Jesuit tradition. Students enroll in a strict liberal arts program in order to develop critical thinking, communication and learning skills. We are committed to using the most recent technology available to enhance our educational programs and fully implemented a one-to-one iPad program to the whole student body and faculty. Students are encouraged to be curious, thus discovering and exploring new ideas and issues. All students at Saint Ignatius are expected to carry a minimum of five courses in every semester of attendance. Generally, this means six courses per semester in freshman/sophomore year and five courses per semester in junior/senior year.

GRADING SCALE: NOTE --AS OF THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR, THE GRADING SCALE WAS MODIFIED.

| CURRENT GRADING SCALE | | | PREVIOUS GRADINGSCALE | | |
|-----------------------|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| <u>Grade</u> | <u>Range</u> | <u>Quality Points</u> | <u>Grade</u> | <u>Range</u> | <u>Quality Points</u> |
| A+ | 98-100 | 4.33 | A+ | 98-100 | 4.33 |
| A | 93-97 | 4.00 | A | 95-97 | 4.00 |
| A- | 90-92 | 3.67 | A- | 93-92 | 3.67 |
| B+ | 87-89 | 3.33 | B+ | 91-92 | 3.33 |
| B | 83-86 | 3.00 | B | 87-90 | 3.00 |
| B- | 80-82 | 2.67 | B- | 85-86 | 2.67 |
| C+ | 77-79 | 2.33 | C+ | 83-84 | 2.33 |
| C | 73-76 | 2.00 | C | 79-82 | 2.00 |
| C- | 70-72 | 1.67 | C- | 77-78 | 1.67 |
| D+ | 67-69 | 1.33 | D+ | 75-76 | 1.33 |
| D | 63-66 | 1.00 | D | 72-74 | 1.00 |
| D- | 60-62 | 0.67 | D- | 70-71 | 0.67 |
| F | 0-59 | 0.00 | F | 0-69 | 0.00 |

HONORS AND ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES

In May of 2017, a total of 663 students completed 1,222 Advanced Placement examinations. Overall, 81% of students achieved scores of 3 or higher. Below is a sampling of our 23 Advanced Placement and 87 Honors courses:

AP Courses are offered in:

Art History
Biology
Calculus (AB/BC)
Chemistry
Chinese
Computer Science (A)
Computer Science Principles
Comparative Government
Economics (Macro & Micro)
English - Literature
European History
Environmental Science
French Language
Human Geography (JVLA)
Latin - Vergil
Music Theory and Ear Training
Physics (B)
Psychology
Spanish Language
Spanish Literature
Statistics
Studio Art
U.S. History

Honors Courses are offered in:

Advanced Darkroom Techniques
Advanced Photography 2,3,4
Advanced Studio Art 2,3,4
African American Literature
Algebra 2/Trigonometry
Band
Chemistry
Chicago History and Politics
Chinese 3, 4
College Writing
Creative Writing 1,2
Earth Science
Economics
Environmental Science
Evil in Literature
Faith/Catholic Tradition
Film Study
Finite Mathematics
French 3
Geometry
Globalization
Greek 2,3

Honors continued

Hero in American Literature
Human Anatomy and Physiology
Integrated Science 1,2
History of Ancient Greece
History of Ancient Rome
JAVA
Journalism
Latin 3
Microbiology
Myth & Modern Literature
Orchestra
Physics
Pre-Calculus
Political Theory
Psychology
Religion, Politics & Society
Robotics
Shakespeare
Sociology
Society and Technology
Spanish 3
U.S. Government
Voices of Women

SERVICE

Our motto, "Men and Women for Others," is exemplified by the great amount of service that is completed by our students annually. Community service is an integral part of Jesuit education and all students are expected to perform service as part of their graduation requirements. While many opportunities are available throughout the year under the sponsorship of the Formation and Ministry Department, Saint Ignatius also hosts several summer service projects and immersion programs. These have been conducted in the Appalachia, Detroit, Los Angeles, Louisiana, Mississippi, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Southern Illinois, the city of Chicago and even journeys exploring complicated issues of immigration at the United States border in Nogales Sonora and Arizona. In addition to the academic diploma requirements described within this Profile, students must also complete a set number of community service hours during their freshman and sophomore years. Further, they are required to participate in a freshmen service seminar as well as our sophomore and junior retreat programs.

INTEGRATED SCIENCE COURSE EXPLANATION

Students in the Class of 2018 were enrolled in our Integrated Science courses. Integrated Science is a two-year laboratory course which coalesces the traditional college preparatory courses of biology, chemistry and physics. This curriculum covers three units of scientific study in the span of two academic years, and we instruct our students to note this in any application requiring them to list the number of years they have studied particular subjects. Successful completion of the Integrated Science program fully prepares the students for college level (Advanced Placement) courses in biology, chemistry, physics and environmental science.

GRADUATES FROM THE CLASSES OF 2013-2017 HAVE ENROLLED AT THE FOLLOWING COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

| | | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Albion College | Fordham University | Princeton University | Xavier University |
| American University | Georgetown University | Providence College | Yale University |
| Amherst College | George Washington Univ | Purdue University | |
| Arizona State University | Gonzaga University | Reed College | The Universities of: |
| Auburn University | Grinnell College | Regis University | Alabama |
| Augustana College | Hampshire College | Rensselaer Polytechnic Inst | Arizona |
| Ave Maria University | Harvard University | Rhode Island School of Design | Arkansas |
| Babson College | Haverford College | Rice University | California /Berkeley |
| Baylor University | Heartland Community College | Rochester Inst of Technology | California /Los Angeles |
| Belmont University | Hendrix College | Rockhurst University | California /San Diego |
| Beloit College | Hobart & Wm Smith Colleges | Rollins College | California /Santa Barbara |
| Benedictine University | Holy Cross College | Rose-Hulman Institute | Chicago |
| Berklee College of Music | Hope College | Saginaw Valley State Univ | Colorado /Boulder |
| Boston College | Howard University | Saint Louis University | Connecticut |
| Boston Conservatory at Berklee | Illinois College | Saint Mary's College /IN | Dayton |
| Boston University | Illinois Inst of Technology | Saint Mary's College of CA | Denver |
| Bradley University | Illinois State University | Saint Mary's University of MN | Detroit Mercy |
| Brown University | Illinois Wesleyan University | Saint Xavier University | Georgia |
| Bucknell University | Indiana University | San Diego State University | Illinois /Chicago |
| Buena Vista University | Iowa State University | Santa Clara University | Illinois /Springfield |
| Butler University | Ithaca College | Santa Monica College | Illinois /Urbana Champaign |
| CA Poly State University | John Carroll University | Sarah Lawrence College | Iowa |
| Campbell University | Johns Hopkins University | Savannah Coll of Art & Des | Kansas |
| Cardinal Stritch University | Kalamazoo College | School of the Art Institute | Kentucky |
| Carleton College | Kendall College | Seattle University | Maryland /Baltimore County |
| Carnegie Mellon University | Kenyon College | Seton Hall University | Miami |
| Carroll University | Knox College | Sewanee: Univ of the South | Michigan |
| Carthage College | Lake Forest College | Siena College | Minnesota /Twin Cities |
| Case Western Reserve Univ | Lawrence University | Smith College | Mississippi |
| Catholic Univ of America | Lehigh University | Southern IL Univ/Edwardsville | Missouri /Columbia |
| Centre College | Lewis University | Southern Methodist University | Montana /Missoula |
| City Colleges of Chicago | Lindenwood University | Southern Oregon University | Nebraska /Lincoln |
| Clemson University | London Academy | Spelman College | Nevada /Las Vegas |
| Coastal Carolina University | Loras College | Spring Hill College | North Carolina /Chapel Hill |
| Coe College | Loyola Marymount Univ | St. Ambrose University | Notre Dame |
| Colgate University | Loyola University Chicago | St. John's College | Oklahoma |
| College of Charleston | Loyola University Maryland | St. John's University | Oxford /UK |
| College of DuPage | Loyola Univ New Orleans | St. Louis Com Coll/Wildwood | Pennsylvania |
| College of the Holy Cross | Macalester College | St. Norbert College | Pittsburgh |
| College of William and Mary | Marquette University | St. Olaf College | Redlands |
| College of Wooster | Massachusetts Inst of Tech | Stanford University | Richmond |
| Colorado College | McGill University | Swarthmore College | Rochester |
| Colorado School of Mines | Mercyhurst University | Syracuse University | Saint Francis |
| Colorado State University | Miami University /OH | Tacoma Community College | San Diego |
| Columbia College Chicago | Michigan State University | Texas A&M University | South Carolina |
| Columbia University | Michigan Tech University | Texas Christian University | Southern California |
| Concordia University | Middlebury College | Texas Technological Univ | St. Thomas |
| Connecticut College | Millikin University | Trinity College | Tampa |
| Cornell College | Milwaukee School of Eng | Tufts University | Tennessee |
| Cornell University | Mississippi State University | Tulane University | Texas /Austin |
| Creighton University | Moraine Valley Comm Coll | Union College | Texas /Dallas |
| Dartmouth College | Morton College | U.S. Coast Guard Academy | Texas /San Antonio |
| Davidson College | New School | U.S. Military Academy | Toronto |
| Denison University | New York University | U.S. Naval Academy | Virginia |
| DePaul University | Northeastern Illinois Univ | Vanderbilt University | Washington |
| DePauw University | Northeastern University | Villanova University | Wisconsin /Madison |
| Dickinson College | Northern Illinois University | Virginia Military Institute | Wisconsin /Milwaukee |
| Dominican University /IL | Northwestern University | Wake Forest University | |
| Dominican University of CA | Oakton Community College | Washington Univ in St. Louis | |
| Drake University | Oberlin College | Wellesley College | |
| Drexel University | Ohio State University | Wesleyan University | |
| Duke University | Ohio Wesleyan University | Western Illinois University | |
| Eckerd College | Old Dominion University | Western Michigan University | |
| Elmhurst College | Parkland College | Whittier College | |
| Elon University | Pennsylvania State University | Wichita State University | |
| Emory University | Pierce College | Williams College | |
| Fairfield University | Pomona College | Worcester Polytechnic Inst | |

HIGHER EDUCATION ENROLLMENT STATISTICS FOR THE CLASS OF 2017:

Four-year college/university: 98% Two-year college/Gap Year/Post-Secondary institution: 2%

In-state: 20% Out-of-state:80% Public: 33% Private: 67%

College Representatives are welcome to schedule a visit during the fall semester to meet with our students.

Our daily visit times are 10:45am-11:45am and 11:45am – 1:00pm.

We also host a College Fair in the month of March.

Please call College Counseling to arrange a visit.