



# CHRISTIAN HERITAGE ACADEMY

## 2025-26 UPPER SCHOOL PROFILE

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### HISTORY & COMMUNITY

Founded in 1984, Christian Heritage Academy's Upper School offers a distinctly Christian education, with an in-depth curriculum at a college-preparatory level. CHA is a private school located on Chicago's North Shore and serves students from Christian families that commute from across Chicagoland.



### HONORS & RECOGNITIONS

- Accredited by the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI) and Cognia
- Recognized by the Illinois State Board of Education
- Approved school of the Illinois High School Association (IHSA)
- Ranked by Niche.com as the #1 Christian High School in Illinois (2018-25) and #14 Best College Prep Private High School in Illinois (2025)



### SCHOOL IDENTITY

Our vision is that every CHA student is *rooted* in a deep love for God, *known* within our community, *engaged* in educational excellence, and *inspired* to make a difference. This leads to our expected student outcomes: that our graduates walk in God's ways; seek and speak the truth; think critically, creatively, and collaboratively; explore God's diverse world; excel in their gifts; and love courageously. This is what it means to GROW YOUR ROOTS.

### CURRICULUM

#### REQUIRED\* SEMESTER CREDITS FOR GRADUATION

Bible	8	Social Studies	6	Consumer Education	.5
English	8	Fine Arts/Technology	2	College and Career	1
Mathematics	6	Health	1	Senior Seminar	2
Physical Education	8**	Civics	1	Other Electives	2
Science	6	Communication	.5		

\*An additional two credits of mathematics, two credits of science, and four credits of world language are highly recommended for graduates

\*\*Class of 2027 and beyond; 7 credits required for the Class of 2026

#### AP COURSES OFFERED

AP Calculus AB	AP European History	AP Psychology
AP Calculus BC	AP Human Geography	AP Statistics
AP Environmental Science	AP Precalculus	AP U.S. History

CHA also offers dual placement courses through Taylor University (IN).

#### ACADEMIC CATALOG

A complete listing of courses can be found in the [Upper School Academic Catalog](#).

### GRADING SCALE

PERCENTAGE      GPA\*      WEIGHTED GPA\*\*

A+	97-100	4.0	5.0
A	93-96	4.0	5.0
A-	90-92	4.0	5.0
B+	87-89	3.0	4.0
B	83-86	3.0	4.0
B-	80-82	3.0	4.0
C+	77-79	2.0	3.0
C	73-76	2.0	3.0
C-	70-72	2.0	3.0
D+	67-69	1.0	2.0
D	63-66	1.0	2.0
D-	60-62	1.0	2.0
F	59 or below	0	0

\* GPA (All Subjects Unweighted): All courses except Physical Education, Pass/Fail, Transfer, and Sports courses are considered in the calculation. Prior to 2025-26, Physical Education courses were considered.

\*\* GPA (Academic Weighted): Only courses in the areas of Bible, English, Foreign Language, Science, Mathematics, and Social Studies are considered. All Honors, AP, and dual credit courses receive an additional 1.0 GPA point.



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TESTING

SAT Summary\* – Spring 2025

Mean Composite	1185
Mean Reading and Writing	599
Mean Mathematics	587

Advanced Placement Test Data – 2025

AP Tests Taken	76
AP Tests Passed at a Score of 3 or higher	96%

\*In-school administration of tests for 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> graders during the 2024-25 school year.

Note: CHA does not place standardized or AP test scores on transcripts. It is the student's responsibility to request SAT, ACT, and AP scores from the appropriate agency.

COLLEGE ENROLLMENT  
PROFILE

Class of 2025

- 10 Graduates
- 6 Illinois State Scholars
- 1 National AP Scholar With Honor

CHA does not rank students.

CHA UPPER SCHOOL — 2025-26 BY THE NUMBERS

94

Upper School Students  
(428 total PK-12 enrollment)

30

Seniors in the  
Class of 2026

39

Zip Codes  
Represented

1:7

Faculty/Student  
Ratio

\$113K

Need-Based Aid  
Awarded to 21 Upper  
School Students

70%

Retention Rate  
8<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> Grade

LIONS' ATHLETIC PROGRAM

Illinois High School Association (IHSA) Lake Shore  
Athletic League

National Christian School Athletic Association (NCSAA)

- Lake Shore Athletic League 2025 Boys Volleyball Conference Champions
- 2024 Boys' Golf Regional, Sectional, and State Finalist
- Lake Shore Athletic League 2024 Girls Volleyball Conference Champions

SERVICE LEARNING

2024-25

Guatemala (Mision El Faro)  
Dominican Republic (Kids Alive)  
West Virginia (Adventures in Mission)  
and eight organizations throughout Chicagoland

FINE ARTS

Soli Deo (choir), Instrumental Ensemble (band), *A Wrinkle in Time* (2025 theater production)

COLLEGE MATRICULATION

Class of 2022 — Class of 2025

- |                              |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| Asbury University (KY)       | Northern Illinois University            |
| Baylor University (TX)       | Oakton College (IL)                     |
| Belmont University (TN)      | Olivet Nazarene University (IL)         |
| Biola University (CA)        | Palm Beach Atlantic University (FL)     |
| Cornell College (IA)         | Purdue University (IN)                  |
| Denison University (OH)      | School of Visual Arts (NY)              |
| DePaul University (IL)       | Trinity Christian College (IL)          |
| Grand Canyon University (AZ) | University of Houston (TX)              |
| Harper College (IL)          | University of Illinois at Chicago       |
| Hope College (MI)            | University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign |
| Illinois State University    | University of Michigan                  |
| Indiana State University     | University of Oklahoma                  |
| Kentucky Welding Institute   | Urshan College (MO)                     |
| Lake Forest College (IL)     | Vanderbilt University (TN)              |
| Loyola University (IL)       | Wellesley College (MA)                  |
| Moody Bible Institute (IL)   | Western Illinois University             |
| Mount Holyoke College (MA)   | Wheaton College (IL)                    |
| North Park University (IL)   |   |

