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# We Are Cretin-Derham Hall



## Students



students grades 9-12

55% male 45% female

**84%** of students are Catholic



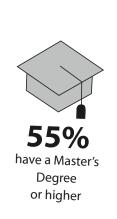
61 different grade schools represented within student body

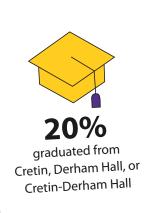


## Faculty & Staff









# Why Cretin-Derham Hall?

Our long tradition of innovative learning supports each student to be the very best version of what God created him or her to be.

### Academic Excellence

Rigorous at every level, with caring teachers and an impressive slate of course offerings, our students are equipped to be lifelong learners and change agents in a challenging world.

### Faith and Spiritual Growth

A Catholic school sponsored by the Christian Brothers and the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, we integrate faith and values into all aspects of a CDH education. All faiths are welcome.

### Servant Leadership

With our Catholic faith as a foundation, service and justice are integrated into our experience to create global citizens who care enough to impact our community and shape world views.

### A Place to Belong

CDH is big enough to provide broad academic and co-curricular opportunities so that every student can find his or her voice, place, and passion. With such a rich environment of student involvement, it is easy, and very common, to be involved in multiple activities.

### Dynamic Community

CDH approaches education as a way of life, openly sharing ideas, fostering opportunities for collaboration, and building personal connections that last a lifetime.

### Inclusive Environment

CDH provides a non-elite, welcoming environment that celebrates diversity of thought, interests, income, race, and learning abilities. "My experience at CDH has been filled with memorable moments, life-changing events and so many people from so many walks of life that have influenced my view of the world. I learned that a person's values are as important as the knowledge in their minds."

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### Leon Xiong '19

Attending New York University 2019 Ireland Award Winner, Top 10 Student, Link Crew, Football, PFP, Asian American Heritage Month Celebration





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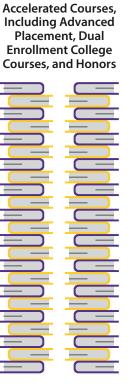


Student/Teacher Ratio

**Average Class Size** 



Languages (Mandarin, Spanish, French)



57

B Levels of Course Placement Advanced College Prep We challenge each student to reach his or her full potential in a safe atmosphere that is positive, caring, service-oriented, and yes, fun.

Our faculty is committed to educating young people with diverse abilities, needs, and talents, while opening their hearts and minds to the challenges of tomorrow.

### **Rigor and Challenge**

Students are placed in the appropriate level so that each student benefits from a challenging curriculum, high expectations, and ongoing support for achieving success.

CDH offers an unparalleled selection of honors courses, AP courses, and dual enrollment courses, which earn students direct college credits.



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" "CDH motivated me to achieve excellence through the teachers and my peers who have constantly pushed me to work hard and support all my endeavors. I am so grateful for the people that helped me get to where I am today. These four years were a period of growth and excitement to experience everything CDH has to offer while learning how important it is to serve others."



### Abby Reader '19

Attending Boston College NHS President, Swim, Golf, Theater Highland Friendship Club, Student Council

### Extensive College Credit Opportunities

#### **Advanced Placement**

Our highly qualified faculty deliver a national curriculum designed at a college level in content and difficulty. Students who earn a qualifying score on the national test earn college credit.

- 12 AP courses plus many CDH students are successful in taking AP tests in many additional subject areas.
- 332 students took 486 tests in 2018-2019, with an impressive 76% earning potential college credits.

#### Dual Enrollment/Concurrent Enrollment

In these courses, students earn both high school and college credit through successful completion of these rigorous courses delivered by CDH faculty who are certified by the college.

An impressive 486 students enrolled in concurrent enrollment courses - college and high school credit - earning a potential 1,671 college credits this past year.



#### Program for Advanced College Credit (PACC), Saint Mary's University of Minnesota

- Chemistry Honors
- Physics Honors
- Physics Advanced
- Readings in Literature Honors
- Spectrum Senior Interdisciplinary Symposium Honors

#### College in the Schools (CIS) - University of Minnesota

- Human Anatomy and Physiology Honors
- English 12 Writing Studio College Prep
- Physics by Inquiry Advanced

## Innovative Learning

### **STEM Program Anchors New Science Track**

All ninth graders take the foundational STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) course to address the critical need for science skills to meet 21st Century challenges in all disciplines. The new curriculum, Science and Engineering, is offered at all three different and distinct levels: College Prep, Advanced, and Honors.

### **9th Grade Values Interdisciplinary Course**

Values Symposium combines English, Religion, and Social Studies into a two-period class with three faculty members. Values provides all ninth graders with a common academic experience.

Content is focused on the CDH values, along with reading and writing across the disciplines.

### **Technology and Innovation**

Our students have the technological learning resources needed to enhance their critical thinking, communication skills, collaboration, and creativity while empowering them as responsible, digital citizens.

- 1:1 Apple iPad Program
- New Virtual Reality Lab
- New Robotics Lab
- 3D Printers
- Glowforge Pro Laser Printer
- Vernier Lab Equipment
- Coding Resources
- Digital Cameras
- Apple TVs

### **Academic Support Program**

Students with specific learning needs receive the academic support needed to be successful. Reading, writing, math, and organizational support are provided as needed

- Structured study with 4 Learning Specialists
- 100+ students benefit from this program
- Accommodates and initiates learning plans
- Renovated Learning Lab space provides easy access for one:one support or small group work

### **Multiple Intelligences and Learning Styles**

We focus on the individual learning styles and multiple intelligences of each member of our community to provide the best opportunity to prepare 21st century learners with the needed skills and knowledge.





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## Post-Secondary Education

### Where Students Are Accepted

American University **Boston College Boston University Case Western Reserve** University College of St. Benedict Colorado School of Mines **Creighton University** Dartmouth College Fordham University Georgetown University **George Washington** University **Grinnell College** Hobart & William Smith Colleges Illinois Weslayan University Lehigh University Loyola University - Chicago Loyola Marymount University Macalester College New York University Northeastern University Northwestern University Pepperdine University

**Purdue University** University of Miami University of Michigan University of MN - Duluth University of MN - Twin Cities University of Notre Dame University of Pennsylvania University of Richmond University of San Diego University of St. Thomas University of Wisconsin - Madison Santa Clara University St. John's University St. Lawrence University St. Mary's University of MN St. Olaf College **Tulane University** Union College United States Air Force Academy United States Naval Academy Villanova University Worchester Polytechnic Institute Yale University

\*Partial List



**76%** earn 3+ on AP Exam



**95%** of graduates in

2018 chose college

5% choose military, gap year, athletic or work opportunities



87% of CDH students report merit scholarship awards for college The top **10%** attain an average ACT of **31.9** 

National average is 20.9 in 2018



**38%** of students who applied to Highly Selective Colleges were accepted.

National rate for highly selective school acceptance is less than 30%







## <u>Fine Arts</u>

## Exceptional, Award-Winning Fine Arts

Students express their creativity and shape their intellect through enriching arts in a dynamic and supportive community.

#### Theater

- 3 main stage productions and one black box show
- Consistently awarded Outstanding Overall Production Awards from Spotlight Education
- Consistent Top Ten Hennepin Theater Trust Triple Threat finalists, including Two Winners (2016 and 2018)
- National High School Musical Theater Jimmy Award Nominee (2019)
- Productions reflect the values of the CDH community

### Choir

- · Honors Choir, Concert Choir, and Morning Choir
- 4 Concerts and a Christmas Dinner
- Singing Outreach (caroling, middle school visits, worship)
- Members selected for Minnesota All-State Choirs
- Superior contest ratings and several 'Best in Site" recognitions

#### Band

- Bands: Concert, Marching, Pep, Jazz, and Pit Orchestra
- Up to 20 performances plus Pep Band at sports events
- Two band trips offered over four years
- Superior contest ratings and several 'Best in Site" recognitions

#### **Studio Arts**

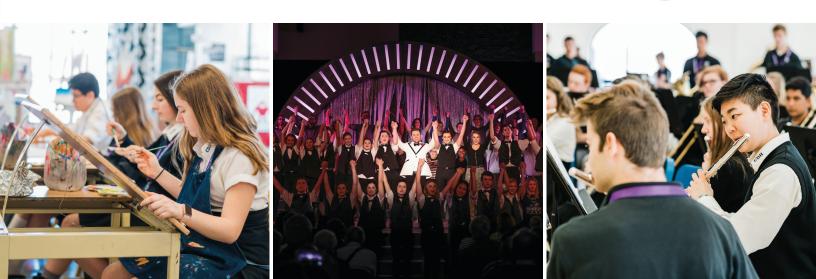
• 17 courses in Graphic Design, Ceramics, Photography, Jewelry Making, Printmaking, Drawing and Painting

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"My fine art experience at CDH truly helped me look at things from a different perspective. I never imagined how much I would love fine arts until I came to CDH. I now have a better understanding of the virtues of patience and resilience, which I know will help me for the rest of my life. "

### Bridget Tierney '20

Painting, Photo, Soccer, Pass Down the Gown, Choice, Dorothy Day, The Chronical Newspaper



# **Athletics**

## Let's Go, Raiders!

Dedicated to excellence, sportsmanship, and a high code of moral conduct, Raider Athletics encourage young leaders to emerge with confidence to embrace challenges with integrity.

Participation in CDH athletics is an extension of our school day in which we strive to carry out the mission and values of Cretin-Derham Hall.

- 27 varsity sports with additional teams at the JV, B-squad and 9th grade level.
- Member of Suburban East Conference
- 83% of students participate in athletics
- 13 non-cut sports teams
- 10,000 sq. ft. fitness center
- Joe Mauer Field House with 3 full-size courts
- Griep Family Gymnasium
- Wingerd Field (turf) for football, lacrosse, soccer, and softball
- New hockey locker rooms for boys and girls
- 19 State Championships
- 33 Conference titles since joining the Suburban East Conference in 2005-2006





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# **Co-Curricular Activites**

### Get Involved!

CDH offers something for everyone. In fact, 95% of students are involved in one or more co-curricular activities or sports!

Join In! It is fun (and often the most memorable part of high school) – and a great way to engage in something you like to do, use your talents, or in some cases, discover new talents. Plus, you will meet new friends with different perspectives and interests. It is easy to get involved – each fall there is an Activities Fair to highlight all the clubs and organizations.

The full slate of options is worth checking out on our website – and students can start their own activity if it isn't already offered.

Co-curriculars are broadly grouped into three categories:

- Clubs and Organizations Academic competitions such as Science Olympiad and Mock Trial. Creative outlets such as Art Club, Fine Arts and Yearbook.
  Service opportunities like Highland Friendship Club. Non-varsity athletic fun such as Intramural Basketball, Ultimate Frisbee, and Bowling. Leadership opportunities such as Link Crew and Student Council
- Campus Ministry Service outreach and worship leadership
- Athletics 27 different teams at all levels. Many do not cut. 83% of students participate in at least one sport.

"I love the wonderful community at CDH and the many opportunities to get involved. Co-curriculars have broadened my perspectives and allowed me to make many more friends. People here really care about this school and see it as a special place."

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#### Will Domler '19

JROTC – Superior Cadet, Empty Bowls, Student Council, Baseball, Football, Sisters of St. Joseph Award



# Serve Here!



## Faith, Service, and Leadership

Let us remember, we are in the holy presence of God. Let us love God and the dear neighbor, without distiction.

At CDH, our vibrant sense of our Catholic mission is woven through our entire day, in and outside the classroom. In addition, Campus Ministry provides opportunities for nurturing the Catholic faith and the faith of other traditions through communal prayer, retreats, Mass on campus and more.

The proud legacy of our founders, the Sisters of St. Joseph and the Christian Brothers, impacts everything we do and why we do it.

- Daily religion course for all students
- · Pax Christi Chapel with daily Mass and prayer
- Monthly all-school Mass or prayer service
- Annual grade level retreats
- Active Campus Ministry department offering co-curricular retreats, service days for all ages, worship planning and more
- Justice Education Trips both local and global

Live Jesus in our hearts! Forever.







## Go Forth to Serve - Faith in Action

Our faith-based community is committed to shaping future leaders who work for the good of our community, both locally and globally.

#### **Senior Fieldwork**

Every senior participates in service fieldwork two hours each week during the school day.

### **Leadership Academy**

A specialized curriculum for all juniors to teach and develop leadership skills, with the possibility for a capstone project to positively impact the community

#### **JROTC**

- 89 Consecutive years as an Honor Unit with Distinction
- Over 4,000 community service hours annually through JROTC
- Legacy of 100+ years of leadership and service

### **Student Council**

Students promote school spirit, plan activities, and provide student leadership.

### **Link Crew**

Student leadership program for 11th and 12th graders to assist incoming 9th graders and transfer students

#### **Justice Education**

Local, service-based opportunities, plus 9 domestic and 4 global justice education trips in which students expand their understanding of their dear neighbor.

#### **Lasallian Youth**

Students attend Lasallian district conference and plan events to support local youth at risk.

#### **Service Hours**

Last year, students completed an estimated 17,900 service hours. "Faith is important in my life which is why I chose to attend this school. CDH helps me continue to grow spiritually through learning about my faith. I also appreciate how CDH strives to make Christ the center of what we do."

**Josh Sims** Cross Country, Basketball, Track







# Belong Here!

# Our favorite word: Community!

Our school spirit is second to none. Our students and faculty have tremendous pride that they belong to a community that is committed to their premier education and their individual success.

### Learners, Leaders, Friends.

With many avenues to success both inside and outside the classroom, students benefit from caring and dedicated teachers and an unparalleled selection of course offerings that offer the right levels to provide each student with appropriate challenge. Fellow students become not only friends, but help create a rich environment of hard work and collaboration as they learn and grow together.

And, beyond the halls of CDH, students and faculty share a commitment to care for our dear neighbor, whether it is in the service component embedded into seniors' integrated courses, service opportunities within the Twin Cities, or justice education trips both domestically and internationally. A CDH graduate is equipped to go forth to share the sense of justice and respect for others in a much bigger world.





### What Makes CDH Unique?

### CASA (Connecting Adults and Students to Achieve)

A unique framework of family and house communities focused on building and maintaining connections at CDH. Everyone is involved, including all students and faculty, plus the administration, custodians, and advancement staff. The common goal is to support each other socially, academically, spiritually, and more.

### LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

The CDH principles and standards are the foundation for a unique curriculum for all 11th graders, designed to develop and utilize the skills necessary for our students to positively lead within our school and the broader community. As seniors, students can complete a capstone project focused on impacting our community, which will also be listed on the transcript.



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"I was very scared as a 9th grader, but after the first day, it already felt like I belonged. It was very easy to make friends and connect with teachers here. The thing I love most about CDH are the teachers – they are always there for you and push you to do your best."

### Julianne Mason '21

Student Council, Dance Team, Track

### Connect With Us!



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### **ALUMNI NETWORK OF SUPPORT**

A long tradition of support from alumni, nearly 18,000 strong, means financial support that enables a CDH education to be affordable for current families. Our alumni also serve as valuable connections to learning through special mentoring opportunities such as Alumni in the Classroom programs. We are also proud that an impressive number of alumni now teach or coach here.

# Welcome,

# Class of 2024



### Learn Here Serve Here Belong Here

### Affordable Excellence

### **Merit Scholarships**

Committed to excellence, CDH offers several distinctive, merit-based scholarships to recognize the gifts and talents that our incoming students bring to our CDH community. The value is significant and ranges from \$1,000 - \$10,000 per year.

- Academic Excellence for those who receive a national cumulative score of 90% or higher on the placement test. *Students must test at CDH.*
- Carondelet and LaSallian Scholars for those young women or young men who exemplify the values that best represent the CDH community: Faith, Leadership, and Service. Students must apply.
- Schaller JROTC Scholarships for those students who plan to participate in JROTC. Students must apply.

### **Tuition Assistance**

Thanks to the generosity of alumni, faculty, staff, and our community, we are committed to making a CDH education affordable for your family. CDH distributed \$2.7 million in assistance to 40% of our families in 2019-2020.

### 2019-2020 Admissions Calendar

PLACEMENT TEST AT CDH January 11, 2020 8:30 am APPLICATION DEADLINE January 11, 2020 (c-dh.org/admissions) FINANCIAL AID DEADLINE February 15, 2020 (TADS.com)

### **Future Raider Visit**

Spend a day on campus with a current 9th grade student. You will experience our welcoming student body and meet our amazing faculty/staff as you spend a typical day at CDH. School Hours: 7:50 am – 2:30 pm. Free lunch!

To schedule your student visit, please call our Admissions Office at 651-696-3301 or go to c-dh.org/StudentVisit.

### **Parent Tours**

We invite you to come to our new Parent Tours during the school day. We want to welcome you to CDH in a way that addresses your interests and your questions in a small, more interactive group. You will see all parts of our campus and have a chance to discuss everything from courses offered, ways for your son/daughter to get involved, and maybe a question or two about really important things like lockers, cafeteria food, or our beloved Raider traditions. These tours replace the evening open houses.

To schedule your Parent Tour, call our Admissions office at 651-696-3301 or go to c-dh.org/ParentTour. Tours begin October 7.



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