

Profile of

2024-2025



Cretin-Derham Hall

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Mission & Background

Cretin-Derham Hall is a Catholic co-educational high school committed to Christian values and academic excellence in grades 9-12. CDH educates young men and women of diverse abilities, cultures, and socio-economic backgrounds for opportunities in post-secondary education.

Cretin-Derham Hall offers a challenging college preparatory academic environment and is committed to the values of Catholic, academics, leadership, community, service, diversity and equity. CDH enrolls 911 students from 33 school districts in the Twin Cities metropolitan area and Wisconsin. Students of color make up 25 percent of the student body. The average class size is 19 and the student-teacher ratio is 11:1.

Academic Requirements & Calendar

Cretin-Derham Hall's school year consists of three trimesters, each approximately thirteen weeks long. One credit equals one trimester unit. Seventy-five credits are required for graduation, including a minimum of the following:

English	12	Religion	12	Social Studies	11
Science	9	Language	6	Mathematics	9
Fine Arts	3	Physical Ed	4	Health	1

GPA Distributions & Test Scores

The Cretin-Derham Hall Class of 2025 has 240 students with cumulative grade point averages at the end of the junior year based on the grade point values above as follows:

1st Quartile	4.307 – 4.042
2nd Quartile	4.041 – 3.684
3rd Quartile	3.682 – 3.213
4th Quartile	3.155 – 1.801

In the Class of 2024, 94% of Cretin-Derham Hall students took the ACT with a middle 50 percent composite score of 17-25 and a mean composite score of 21.

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Grading System

Cretin-Derham Hall offers coursework at the college prep, advanced, and honors levels in a curriculum of over 170 courses. Letter grades are converted to numeric values according to the chart below and grade point averages are reported on a 4.0 weighted scale.

CDH does not rank students.

LETTER GRADE	HONORS	ADVANCED	COLLEGE PREP
A/A+	4.50	4.25	4.00
A-	4.17	3.92	3.67
B+	3.83	3.58	3.33
B	3.50	3.25	3.00
B-	3.17	2.92	2.67
C+	2.83	2.58	2.33
C	2.50	2.25	2.00
C-	2.17	1.92	1.67
D+	1.83	1.58	1.33
D	1.50	1.25	1.00
D-	1.17	.92	0.67
F	0.00	0.00	0.00

Advanced Placement & Honors Courses

CDH offers 17 Advanced Placement courses: Biology, Calculus AB & BC, Chemistry, Computer Science, Economics, English Language & Composition, Environmental Science, French, Human Geography, Mandarin, Physics, Psychology, Spanish, Statistics, US Government & US History. Motivated students can register for any number of AP classes.

Additionally, CDH offers 49 Honors level courses and 50 Advanced level courses.

In 2024, 324 students took 517 AP exams and 66% of the students earned scores in the 3-5 range, making them eligible for college credit. CDH offers honors courses in all core disciplines and many elective subject areas.

Full course descriptions and a chart of course sequencing by discipline can be found at www.c-dh.org/curriculum.

Special Programs & Course Descriptions

College Matriculation 2024

Spectrum

Spectrum incorporates high academic requirements with an interdisciplinary approach, integrating materials and perspectives from **English, Religion, and Social Studies**. This class also requires a year of service at a designated community site. Students receive one credit in each of the three subject areas for each trimester.

Values Symposium

This ninth grade interdisciplinary course provides a common academic and affective experience for all entering students based on the seven values of CDH. It is team taught and designed to develop critical thinking and technology skills, encourage informed citizenship and provide opportunities for service. Students receive one credit and a separate grade in **English, Religion, and Social Studies** for each trimester of this class.

Amerigo

CDH partners with this selective program for international students who want to study at and graduate from a rigorous American high school. After earning a CDH diploma, Amerigo students are fully acculturated to US pedagogy and ready to participate in any US higher educational setting. 21 Amerigo students are enrolled at CDH for the 2024-2025 school year. More information is available at www.amerigoeducation.com.

PACC

Program for Advanced College Credit offers four courses taught at Cretin-Derham Hall and gives college credit through St. Mary's University of Minnesota.

CIS Program

The College In the Schools Program offered by the University of Minnesota Twin Cities allows CDH students to take Human Anatomy & Physiology Honors, English 12, Physics by Inquiry, and/or Physics Honors for college credit while in high school.

JROTC

The Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps program is offered as an elective to young men and women to study and develop leadership and citizenship skills. Cretin-Derham Hall's program has 95 consecutive years as an Honor Unit with Distinction.

Common Ground

Launched in the fall of 2024, the Common Ground program allows students with intellectual disabilities the ability to attend Cretin-Derham Hall full time for all four years of high school. During our current pilot year, CDH will have two 9th grade students joining us. Junior and Senior students have an opportunity to apply and participate as peer mentors to these students as we welcome them to our community.

In the Class of 2024, 87% are continuing their education at four-year colleges and universities and an additional 4% are attending community colleges & technical schools. 39% will attend Minnesota schools and 61% out of state institutions. Listed below are the four-year colleges attended by 2024 graduates:

Arizona State University - Tempe	Saint Cloud State University
Augsburg University	College of Saint Benedict
Aveda Arts & Sciences Institute	Saint John's University MN
Belmont University	Saint Mary's University
Boston College	Saint Mary's University of MN
Boston University	Saint Norbert College
Century College	Santa Clara University
Concordia University - St. Paul	Seattle University
Creighton University	St. Catherine University
Crown College	St. Olaf College
Dougherty Family College at UST	Temple University Japan
Drake University	The University of Tampa
Florida International University	The University of Texas - Austin
Franklin Pierce University	University of Arizona
Gonzaga University	University of Colorado - Boulder
Grand Canyon University	University of CO - Colorado Springs
Gustavus Adolphus College	University of Denver
Howard University	University of Hartford
Indiana University - Bloomington	University of Houston
Iowa State University	University of Iowa
Kalamazoo College	University of Kansas
Lehigh University	University of Kentucky
Louisiana State University	University of Maryland - College Park
Loyola University Chicago	University of Minnesota - Duluth
Madison Area Technical College	University of Minnesota - Twin Cities
Marquette University	University of North Dakota
Maryville University	University of Notre Dame
Miami University - Oxford	University of Oregon
Minneapolis Comm & Tech College	University of San Francisco
Minnesota State Comm & Tech College	University of South Alabama
Minnesota State University - Mankato	University of St. Thomas
Montana State University	University of Utah
Moscow State Institute of Int Relations	University of Vermont
New York University	University of WI - Eau Claire
North Dakota State University	University of WI - Madison
Pennsylvania State University	University of WI - River Falls
Purdue University	University of WI - Stout
Rollins College	United States Air Force Academy
Saint Anselm College	Westmont College

Discipline: It is the policy of Cretin-Derham Hall not to report a student's disciplinary record to colleges and universities. CDH does, however, advise students to self-disclose disciplinary matters when required to do so in the college admissions process.