

Profile of

2021-2022



Cretin-Derham Hall

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COVID-19 Response

The State of Minnesota closed schools in response to COVID-19 in March 2020 and Cretin-Derham Hall transitioned to online learning in one instructional day. The school building was closed for the entire third trimester 2020. All students had the necessary hardware for online learning, but individual student access to and availability of reliable Internet varied. CDH kept all curricular offerings and students received letter grades per our regular grading system. Exceptions included students with academic learning plans, who may have received P/F grades.

During the 2020-21 school year, CDH adjusted as COVID-19 circumstances warranted. CDH opened in August using a hybrid model with half of the student body attending in person one day and the other half the next. Families could opt into total distance learning and approximately one hundred students chose this option. Students adapted to several schedule iterations during the school year including a seven-period day, a move to block scheduling and the addition of a weekly “student support day” designed for additional teacher help. In March of 2021, all students (with the exception of those who had opted for total distance learning) returned to the building for in person instruction until the conclusion of the school year. Opportunities to take standardized college admission testing for the class of 2022 continued to be difficult, if not impossible, to secure. CDH will open for fully in-person instruction in fall 2021.

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 940 students from 26 school districts in the Twin Cities metropolitan area and Wisconsin. Students of color make up 27 percent of the student body. The average class size is 19 and the student-teacher ratio is 12:1.

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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:

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

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

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

CGPA Distributions & Test Scores

The Cretin-Derham Hall Class of 2022 has 260 students with cumulative grade point averages at the end of the junior year based on the grade point values above as follows:

1st Quartile	4.347 – 3.981
2nd Quartile	3.976 – 3.700
3rd Quartile	3.687 – 3.200
4th Quartile	3.198 – 1.767

In the Class of 2021, 79% of Cretin-Derham Hall students took the ACT with a middle 50 percent composite score of 19-26 and a mean composite score of 22.7. Most students did not have the opportunity to test multiple times.

Special Programs

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. In 2021, 331 students took 542 AP exams and 62 percent of the scores were in the 3-5 range and eligible for college credit. CDH offers honors courses in all core disciplines and many elective subject areas.

Senior Interdisciplinary Symposium

SENIOR INTERDISCIPLINARY SYMPOSIUM (SIS) 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 of SIS.

Values for Success

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, Social Studies and Religion 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. Thirty Amerigo students are enrolled at CDH for the 2021-2022 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 (JROTC) 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 92 consecutive years as an Honor Unit with Distinction.

College Matriculation 2021

In the Class of 2021, 84% are continuing their education at four-year colleges and universities and an additional 6% are attending community colleges & technical schools. 36% will attend Minnesota schools and 64% out of state institutions. Listed below are the four-year colleges attended by 2021 graduates:

University of Alabama	Minnesota State University, Mankato
Arizona State University	University of MN - Crookston
Augsburg University	University of MN - Duluth
Benedictine College, KA	University of MN - Morris
Boston College	University of MN - Twin Cities
Boston University	University of Missouri - Columbia
University at Buffalo	Montana State University
University of CA - Berkeley	Muhlenberg College
University of CA - Irvine	National University of Ireland
University of CA - Los Angeles	University of New Mexico
University of CA - San Diego	North Dakota State University
University of CA - Santa Barbara	University of North Dakota
Carlow University	University of North Texas
Clark University	University of Northern Colorado
University of CO, Boulder	University of Oregon
Colorado School of Mines	Pepperdine University
Creighton University	Rutgers University
University of Denver	College of Saint Benedict
DePaul University	Saint Ambrose University
Drake University	Saint Cloud State University
Flagler College, St. Augustine	Saint John's University MN
Georgetown University	Saint Mary's College of California
Gonzaga University	Saint Mary's University of MN
Grand Canyon University	Saint Michael's College
Gustavus Adolphus College	University of San Francisco
Hamline University	Simmons University
College of the Holy Cross	University of South Florida
Hult International Business School	St. Catherine University
Indiana University Bloomington	St. Norbert College
University of Iowa	St. Olaf College
Iowa State University	University of St. Thomas
University of Kansas	University of Tampa
Lake Forest College	University of Texas at Austin
Loyola University Chicago	United States Air Force Academy
Lynn University	United States Coast Guard Academy
Macalester College	Virginia Tech
Marist College	University of Washington
Marquette University	Winona State University
University of Massachusetts - Amherst	University of WI, Eau Claire
Metropolitan State University	University of WI, Madison
Miami University, Oxford	University of WI, Milwaukee
Michigan Technological University	University of WI, Platteville
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor	University of WI, River Falls
	University of WI, Stout

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.