



2020-2021
ALL SCHOOL
ACADEMIC PROFILE



THE SCHOOL

Heritage Christian School (HCS) is a school with a prestigious legacy. In July 2012, Hillcrest Christian School, founded in 1976, acquired Los Angeles Baptist Middle/High School, which was founded in 1962. HCS offers young people a challenging college preparatory education, interwoven with Judeo-Christian religious and spiritual values. HCS believes that in order for students to develop their greatest potential, the formative school years (Preschool-12) should be directed toward an understanding of the love of God, a love for fellow human beings, and a love of knowledge. HCS fosters a nurturing environment in which students' spiritual, intellectual, physical, social, and artistic abilities can grow and expand.

MISSION STATEMENT

Heritage Christian School's mission is to provide a challenging program of academic excellence from a Biblical point of view partnering with parents to equip their children with a firm spiritual foundation while impacting the world for Christ.

ACCREDITATION AND MEMBERSHIP

Heritage Christian School is accredited by the Association of Christian Schools International, the Western Association of Schools and Colleges, and the National Institute for Learning Development as a program of excellence. Additionally, HCS is a member of the Association of Christian Schools International, the California Scholarship Federation, and the California Interscholastic Federation.

ACADEMIC PROGRAM

HCS's course of study covers preschool, elementary school—Transitional Kindergarten (TK) through grade 5, middle school—grades 6 through 8, and senior high—grades 9 through 12. The school year consists of two semesters of approximately eighteen weeks each. Students in elementary, middle and high school receive two interim grade progress reports and a final grade each semester. In the middle and high schools, students are expected to carry no fewer than seven subjects each semester; senior students may carry no fewer than five subjects each semester.



PRESCHOOL

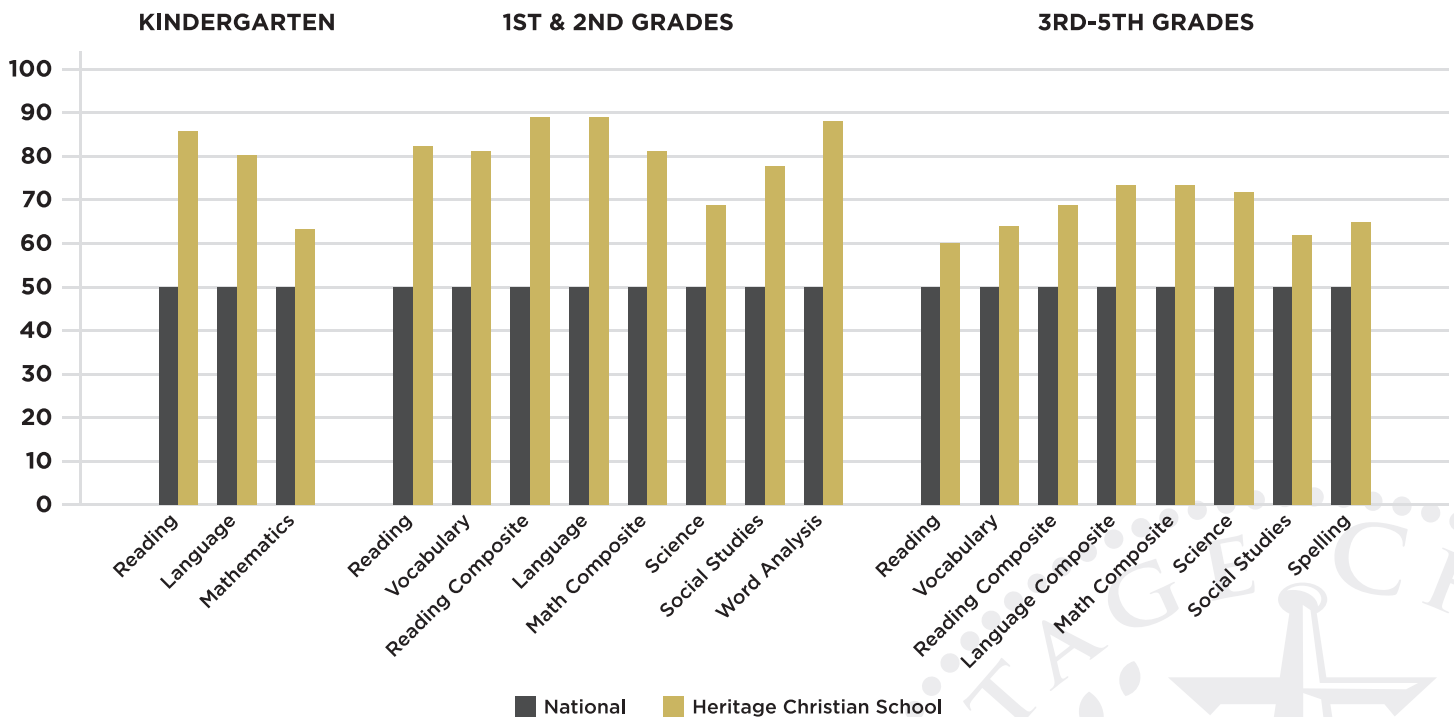
The preschool, ages two through five, provides children with a well-balanced early education focusing on all developmental domains: spiritual, social, emotional, physical, and cognitive. The environment fosters creativity, purposeful play, and essential skills development for a superior academic foundation. An integrated curriculum that is aligned with our TK – 5 program prepares young learners for future formal education.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Students in grades TK – 5 are involved in hands-on learning. Critical thinking, group projects, and use of technology provide students with the skills needed to continue learning. Along with the core subjects, physical education, band, choir, art, and computer courses are offered. Students are encouraged to develop a foundation for life-long learning. Our Academic Support Center is available for students who have learning differences.

STANDARDIZED TEST RESULTS

The TerraNova is administered each Spring. The following graphs show HCS's students average as compared to the national average (50) of other students taking the same test.



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MIDDLE SCHOOL

Students in our middle school are offered a variety of electives. Core subjects are offered as well as Honors courses to qualified students in English, Social Studies, Math, and Science. At the completion of middle school, students are prepared for the rigorous schedule of a high school college preparatory education. Our Academic Support Center is available for students who have learning differences.

6TH GRADE

Bible
English
Social Studies
Earth Science
Math 6 or Pre-Algebra
Physical Education
Elective Choice of One:
Choir*
Band* (Beginning or Advanced)
Computer/Study Skills*
Drama

7TH GRADE

Bible
English†
Social Studies†
Life Science†
Math 7, Pre-Algebra, or Algebra 1
Physical Education
Elective Choice of One:
Choir*
Band* (Beginning or Advanced)
Computer Applications
Drama

8TH GRADE

Bible
English†
Social Studies†
Physical Science†
Algebra 1A, 1AB, or Geometry
Physical Education
Elective Choice of One:
Choir*
Band* (Beginning or Advanced)
Spanish 1* –or– French 1*
Computer Applications
Creative Arts/Wood Design*
Drama

*Electives listed above are those currently being offered this school year. Elective courses will be offered in the future based upon teacher availability and student interest.

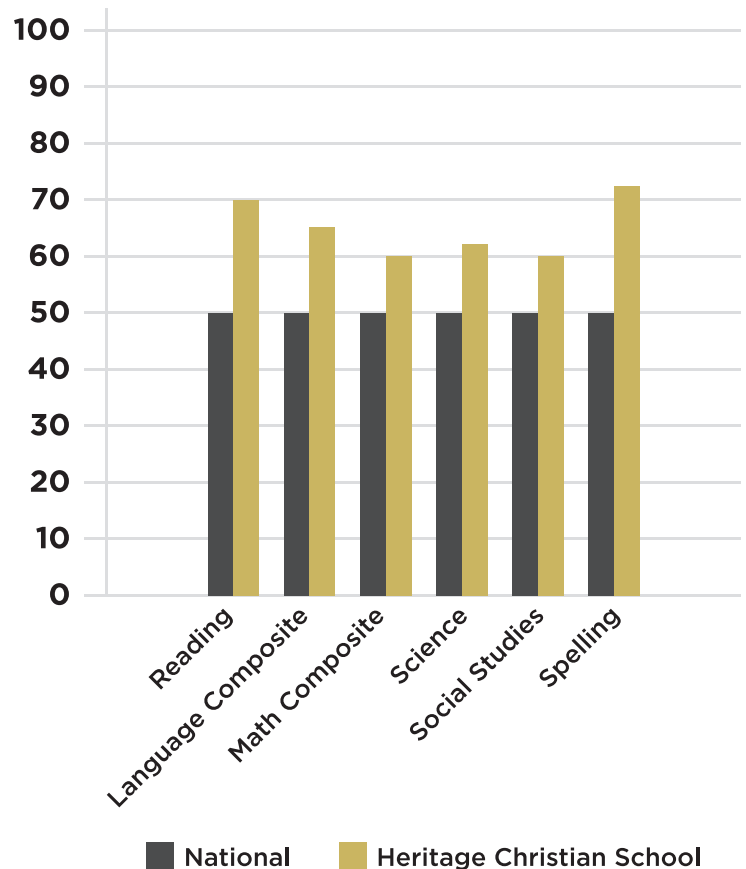
†Signifies that Honors-level coursework is offered for this class.

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6TH-8TH GRADES



HIGH SCHOOL

The curriculum at Heritage is carefully selected to enhance the academic program. Academic counselors guide students in their pursuit of learning to be prepared for acceptance at the UC and Cal State Campuses, and other prestigious colleges and universities. Refer to the Course Offerings for honors and AP classes that are offered.

The general education requirements include: English, 40 units; Social Science, 30 units; Bible Studies, 40 units; Mathematics, 30 units; Science, 20 units; Physical Education, 20 units; and Visual and Performing Arts, 10 units. Students have the opportunity to take Advanced Placement and Honors courses in areas of English, Mathematics, Science, and Social Sciences. Two hundred and forty (240) total units are required for graduation.

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ADVANCED PLACEMENT AND HONORS COURSES

Please note students are restricted to 3 AP/Honors courses per year or 4 by administrative approval.

AP Biology
AP Calculus AB
AP Calculus BC
AP Chemistry
AP English Language
AP English Literature
AP French Language
AP Physics
AP Psychology
AP Spanish Language
AP U.S. Government
AP U.S. History
AP World History
Honors Biology
Honors Chemistry
Honors English 9, 10
Honors French
Honors Pre Calculus

ELECTIVES

Advanced Choir
Advanced Journalism
American Cinema as Literature**
Biotechnology**
Ceramics
Choir
Commercial Art & Design
Computer Graphics
Digital Photography
Drama
Film and Media Production
Food and Nutritional Science
Intro to Animation
Jazz Band
Journalism
Music Theory
Orchestra
Personal Finance
Physical Science
Physics
Physiology
Psychology
Robotics
Sports Medicine/Athletic Training
Statistics
Studio Art
Theatre Arts
Wood Design

ACADEMIC HIGHLIGHTS AND TEST SCORES

Class of 2020 College Acceptances

98% of the students that applied to a 4-year university were accepted to one of their choices.

AP Exam Scores Passing Rate

All students in an AP class are required to take the exam. In 2019, 62% of AP exams earned a passing score of 3 or higher:

Biology	72%
Chemistry	92%
French Language	89%
Physics	100%
Spanish Language	89%
US Government	75%

SAT Reasoning Results

	ERW	Math	Total Score
HCS	611	585	1195
State	540	536	1076

ACT Results

	HCS	State
English	26.3	22.5
Mathematics	25.2	22.5
Reading	27.5	23.0
Science	25.8	22.1
Composite	26.3	22.7

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, some test scores can not be updated.

COLLEGE PLANNING

HCS's college counselors provide individual counseling and financial aid/scholarship information for high school students. Counselors also provide workshops for parents/students to assist in college planning. Counselors and students utilize Naviance as a college planning resource in grades 9 through 12. Counselors are available for college planning for students at all grade levels. The following is a list of some of the universities and colleges accepting Heritage Christian Students over the last few years.

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Arizona Christian University

Arizona State University

Azusa Pacific University

Baylor University

Biola University

Boise State University

Boston College

Boston University

Cal Poly Pomona

Cal Poly San Luis Obispo

California Baptist University

California Lutheran University

California State University*

Chapman University

Claremont Colleges

Cornell University

Dartmouth College

Georgetown University

Grand Canyon University

Johns Hopkins University

Liberty University

Loyola Marymount University

New York University

Northeastern University

Northern Arizona University

Occidental College

Ohio State University

Pennsylvania State University

Pepperdine University

Point Loma University

Pomona College

Scripps College

Stanford University

Southern Methodist University

Texas Christian University

The Master's College

Tulane University

University of California*

University of Colorado

University of Massachusetts, Boston

University of Notre Dame

University of Oregon

University of San Diego

University of San Francisco

University of Southern California

University of the Pacific

Vanderbilt University

Westmont College



*All Campuses



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NORTH CAMPUS

Preschool-5th Grade
17531 Rinaldi St.
Granada Hills, CA 91344
818-368-7071

WEST CAMPUS

Preschool
10949 Zelzah Ave.
Granada Hills, CA 91344
818-488-8888

SOUTH CAMPUS

6th-12th Grade
9825 Woodley Ave.
Northridge, CA 91343
818-894-5742

EAST CAMPUS

Preschool
11451 Woodley Ave.
Granada Hills, CA 91344
818-488-8880