



THE CHESTERTON SCHOOLS NETWORK

JOYFULLY CATHOLIC, CLASSICAL HIGH SCHOOLS

Discover the Chesterton Difference

At Chesterton Academy, you'll experience the joy of Christ, an education for college and for life, a sense of community, and unique opportunities to learn leadership and grow in character.

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Realize Your Full Academic Potential

OUR INTEGRATED, CLASSICAL CURRICULUM WILL PREPARE YOU FOR COLLEGE—AND FOR LIFE

At Chesterton Academy, our students enjoy a cohesive, content-rich education. They benefit from a broad exposure to many different disciplines, which helps them expand their interests and their ability to think critically.

The Chesterton Academy model begins with a classical, integrated curriculum. You'll read Homer, Plato, Aristotle, Euclid, Virgil, Dante, Chaucer, Shakespeare, St. Francis of Assisi, St. Thomas Aquinas, St. Teresa of Avila, Dostoyevsky. . . and G.K. Chesterton.

Chesterton students study the Old Testament, the New Testament, and the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*. History, literature, philosophy, and theology are braided together. The sciences and the humanities are also intimately connected, so that the logic of math is seen in philosophy, and God's handiwork is seen in the sciences.

Faith and reason meet in every class.

Equal emphasis is given to the arts, so that every student learns to draw and paint, sing in the choir, act on the stage, give speeches, and engage in debate.

Each year builds on the previous, so that by the end of senior year, students develop into articulate, clear-thinking, well-rounded, and, very importantly, joyful individuals.

Nothing could be a better preparation for success at college. Our classically-educated students fare very well on standardized tests and college admissions. Yet our mission does not end with merely getting students into college. We are preparing them for life, which includes finding their vocation.

A Chesterton Academy education helps students discern and follow God's calling for their lives.



Grow in Leadership & Virtue

EXPERIENCE TRUE FRIENDSHIP AND COMMUNITY THROUGH OUR HOUSE SYSTEM

The Chesterton Academy House system draws on the 1,000 year-old tradition of Christian education exemplified in the colleges at Oxford and Cambridge.

Houses provide real, tangible community within the larger school, giving our students the opportunity to take ownership, to exercise true leadership, and to grow in virtue.

Each student is assigned to one of four houses for their tenure at Chesterton Academy with opportunities to lead as an elected House Prefect during their junior and senior year or Assistant Prefect during their sophomore year. The Houses are named for the four saints who hold up the Chair of St. Peter in St. Peter's Basilica: Saints Ambrose, Augustine, Athanasius, and Chrysostom.





Curriculum Overview

A RIGOROUS FOUR-YEAR CURRICULUM TAUGHT
THROUGH THE LENS OF THE CATHOLIC FAITH

	FRESHMAN YEAR	SOPHOMORE YEAR	JUNIOR YEAR	SENIOR YEAR
	THE ANCIENT WORLD	THE EARLY MEDIEVAL PERIOD	HIGH MIDDLE AGES TO THE RENAISSANCE	THE MODERN WORLD
HUMANITIES				
LITERATURE	Homer, Aeschylus, Virgil G.K. Chesterton: <i>Common Sense 101</i>	Augustine, Chaucer, Shakespeare G.K. Chesterton: <i>St. Francis, Orthodoxy</i>	Dante, Shakespeare, Cervantes G.K. Chesterton: <i>St. Thomas Aquinas</i>	Goethe, Dickens, Dostoyevsky, Orwell G.K. Chesterton: <i>The Everlasting Man</i>
HISTORY	Early Civilization, Greece, Rome	Early Church History, Early Medieval, Crusades	High Middle Ages, Renaissance, Reformation, Counter-Reformation	American Revolution, French Revolution, Civil War, WWI and WWII, Communist and Cultural Revolutions
PHILOSOPHY	Pre-Socratics, Intro to Plato and Aristotle, Formal Logic	Plato and Aristotle	Scholasticism and Early Modern Philosophy (St. Thomas Aquinas, Descartes, Hobbes)	Politics and Economics (Locke, Rousseau, Founding Fathers, Marx, G.K. Chesterton, Belloc)
THEOLOGY	Catechism; Old Testament	New Testament	Catechetical Topics I	Catechetical Topics II
LANGUAGE	Latin I	Latin II	Latin III or Spanish I	Latin IV or Spanish II
DEBATE		Debate		
MATH AND SCIENCE				
MATHEMATICS	Euclid's <i>Elements</i> , Analytical Geometry	Algebra II / Trigonometry	Pre-Calculus	Calculus or Statistics
SCIENCE	Introductory Physics	Biology	Chemistry	Physics
THE FINE ARTS				
MUSIC	Choir, Music Theory and Appreciation	Choir, Music Theory and Appreciation	Choir, Music Theory and Appreciation	Choir, Music Theory and Appreciation
ART	Ancient Art History, Calligraphy, Drawing	Late Roman, Early European, Byzantine, Pastels, Color	Late Gothic, Renaissance, Baroque, Oils	Classical, Romantic, Modern, Oils, Watercolors
DRAMA		Full Length Play (Comedy)	Full Length Play (Drama)	Full Length Play (Shakespeare)

Encounter Christ

At Chesterton Academy, each school day is centered on the Mass. Our students experience daily the love of Christ through the Eucharist. The spiritual life of the school also includes retreats, formation, pro-life outreach, and ongoing opportunities for service.



Find your place at Chesterton and discover the difference.

From our drama program to pro-life club to our capstone pilgrimage to Rome, there's always something happening at Chesterton ... and our students are always working together to launch and lead something new.



"A dead thing can go with the stream, but only a living thing can go against it."

— G.K. CHESTERTON

About the Network

The Chesterton Schools Network is an educational initiative of The Society of Gilbert Keith Chesterton. The Network inspires and supports the launch and sustained operations of joyfully Catholic, classical, and affordable high schools with comprehensive curricula, operational toolkits, and services. Each member school is recognized as a sponsored organization of The Society. Member schools enjoy a wide range of benefits, including:

Operational Framework

Tools, templates and training to guide schools through launch and formal accreditation.

Detailed Curriculum

A rigorous, classically-based curriculum with lesson plans and resources to equip teachers.

Brand and Marketing

Comprehensive brand design package to strengthen identity and marketing.

Ongoing Support

Conferences, coaching, and best practices to help each stakeholder group operate effectively.

Purchasing Power

Cost savings through economies of scale and vendor partnerships, from school services to uniforms.

Membership in a Growing Movement

We are a growing, global community united in prayer and commitment to evangelization through education.

Start a School

We know how difficult it can be to navigate the school start-up process. We've created a multi-phase process to help you get your dream of a Catholic, classical high school off the ground.

Contact us to learn about our unique approach and discover whether our mission and model correspond with your vision for Catholic education. Contact us today to learn about next steps! Email csn@chesterton.org or call The Society at +1.952.831.3096

