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## ACCREDITATIONS & AFFILIATIONS

AdvancedED/Southern  
Association of Colleges & Schools

Florida Council of Independent  
Schools

Association of Christian Schools  
International

Florida High School Athletic  
Association

Florida Music Education  
Association

Florida School Music Association

## QUICK FACTS

HS Enrollment: 139  
Average Class Size: 14  
AP Classes: 14  
College Acceptance: 100%  
CEEB Code: #100118

## ABOUT THE SCHOOL

Boca Christian gives students the highest caliber of college preparatory education in a Christian environment. Located on a spacious 22-acre campus in the heart of Boca Raton, Boca Christian is an independent PreK3 – 12th grade school established in 1973 as a ministry of Boca Raton Community Church.

The school's vision is to develop Christian leaders of influence for today and tomorrow by nurturing academic excellence and inspiring Christian character. Boca Christian is known for its family-oriented environment, outstanding records in college placement, thriving athletics, and creative arts, as well as a commitment to charitable service by our students and faculty.

## STUDENTS

Students are considered for admission based on family commitment to Christian education, along with the student's academic/conduct history and performance on standardized achievement tests. School families represent many local churches. The background for the 633 students in the 2019-2020 school year is: African American 5%, Asian American 2%, Brazilian 11%, Caucasian 44%, Latino-Hispanic 21%, Native American 2%, multiracial 6%, and other minorities 9%.

## FACULTY

All faculty and administrators at Boca Christian have a bachelor's degree or higher. In the high school, 58 % of faculty and administration have advanced degrees. Faculty have received national, state, and county recognition for excellence in teaching. Faculty retention is very high. Yearly Professional Development helps keep our faculty at the forefront of teaching methods and technology.

## COLLEGE PLANNING

All students are required to take the SAT or ACT during or before their senior year. Boca Christian offers the opportunity to attend individual college counseling meetings, group seminars by grade level, a multi-day tour of Florida colleges in the junior year, an adulting seminar, and attendance at college fairs. Optional SAT/ACT prep classes are also offered.

## SECURITY

Boca Christian provides full-time security whenever students are on campus. Each member of the security staff has extensive prior law enforcement experience and first responder training. Security also includes controlled visitor access, cameras, locked classroom and exterior doors and gates.

**The mission of Boca Raton Christian School is to encourage students to know, love, and serve Jesus Christ and to provide for academic excellence.**

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Boca Raton Christian School admits students of any race, color, and national or ethnic origin.

## FACILITIES & TECHNOLOGY

Art Room

Band Room

Music Room

500-seat Performing Arts Venue

Science Labs

360-seat Dining Room

3-in-1 Athletic Field (Baseball, Football & Soccer)

Batting Cage

Gymnasium

Weight Room & Lockers

Google Suite School

Makerspace

Media Center

Personal Chromebook for every student in grades 9 – 12

## ACTIVITIES

17 competitive Varsity Sports; Coaches who instill character, leadership, and respect

Robust Fine Arts: annual Broadway musical, regional and state competitions, awards, and appearances by Choir, Band, Soloists, and Thespian Troupe #7354

Over 20 Clubs, Teams, and extra-curricular activities

Local, national, and international mission trips and community service opportunities help to develop a commitment to sharing the Gospel and caring for others

Weekly Chapel with student praise and worship teams

## RECENT AWARDS AND HIGHLIGHTS

Boca Christian high school students are in the top 15% nationwide in reading and math based on the 2019 Terra Nova 3 standardized test.

The passing rate (3 or higher) on AP exams by Boca Christian students is 62%.

A member of the Class of 2018 used her Gates Scholarship to attend Columbia University. The scholarship will cover every aspect of her tuition, books/computers, lodging, meals, and travel.

The literary magazine, Illuminate, has received awards of Excellent or higher from the National Council for Teachers of English every year of its publication since 2012.

The highly competitive FIRST Tech robotics team was nationally ranked at the 2018 World Championship.

Student athletes have received invitations to play at the collegiate level every year since 2013.

Boca Christian has been an award-winning Green School in Palm Beach County since 2013 and is currently designated as a Green School of Excellence.

## NATIONAL AWARDS

Year graduated/class size	2018/39	2019/48
<b>National Merit - Commended</b>	2	1
<b>National Hispanic Scholar</b>	1	
<b>AP Scholar - Distinction</b>	4	3
<b>AP Scholar - Honors</b>	1	1
<b>AP Scholar</b>	4	2

## 2017–2019 College Board SAT Scores

	Top Quartile	Middle 50%	Average
<b>EBRW-Advanced Diploma</b>	680-780	600-680	638
<b>Math-Advanced Diploma</b>	680-790	590-680	625
<b>EBRW-All</b>	640-780	510-640	577
<b>Math-All</b>	610-790	510-610	565

(Averages reflect highest score for each student.)

## GRADING SCALE & GPA

GRADE	PERCENT	STANDARD	HONORS	AP/DUAL	AP/DUAL HPA
<b>A</b>	90-100	4.00	4.50	5.00	6.00
<b>B</b>	80-89	3.00	3.375	3.75	4.50
<b>C</b>	70-79	2.00	2.25	2.50	3.00
<b>D</b>	60-69	1.00	1.25	1.25	1.50

Honors courses receive 1.125 weight. AP/Dual Enrollment courses receive 1.25 weight. HPA (Honors Point Average) is for Palm Beach County scholarships. Courses receive 1.50 weight. Boca Christian does not provide class rank, but does select a valedictorian and salutatorian based on weighted GPA.

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS BY DIPLOMA TYPE

Boca Christian is on a semester schedule with one credit equal to 36 weeks of instruction delivered in 47-minute daily periods.

The high school offers three diplomas: Standard, College Preparatory, and Advanced.

The Advanced Diploma requires credits in a minimum of six honors level courses, Physics or AP/Dual Enrollment Science, AP/Dual Enrollment Math and AP/Dual Enrollment English or AP/Dual Enrollment Social Science, while maintaining a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher.

25% of our high school students are enrolled in at least one Dual Enrollment course this academic year. This figure represents 49% of the junior class and 75% of the senior class.

	ADVANCED	COLLEGE PREP	STANDARD
SUBJECT	Credits	Credits	Credits
<b>Christian Studies</b>	4	4	4
<b>English</b>	4	4	4
<b>Math</b>	4	4	4
<b>Science</b>	4	4	3
<b>Social Studies</b>	4	3	3
<b>Performing Arts</b>	1	1	1
<b>Technology</b>	1	1	1
<b>Physical Ed. (HOPE)</b>	1	1	1
<b>World Language</b>	2	2	0
<b>Electives</b>	2	2	5
<b>TOTAL</b>	27	26	26
<b>Community Service</b>	100 hours (25/year)	100 hours (25/year)	100 hours (25/year)

## COURSE OFFERINGS

### CHRISTIAN STUDIES

DE Exploring the Bible<sup>1</sup>  
 DE Intro to Christian Social Ministry<sup>1</sup>  
 Jewish History  
 Marriage & Family  
 New Testament Survey  
 Philosophy/Comparative Worldview  
 DE Evangelism & Apologetics<sup>1</sup>  
 Practical Ministry/Discipleship  
 DE Principles of Leadership<sup>1</sup>

### ENGLISH

AP English Language & Composition  
 AP English Literature & Composition  
 American Literature (Regular/Honors)  
 British Literature (Regular/Honors)  
 World Literature I (Regular/Honors)  
 World Literature II (Regular/Honors)

### MATHEMATICS

AP Calculus AB & BC  
 Algebra I (Regular/Honors)  
 Algebra II  
 Algebra II/Trigonometry Honors  
 DE College Algebra<sup>1</sup>  
 Geometry (Regular/Honors)  
 Introduction to College Algebra  
 Pre-Calculus Honors  
 DE Statistics Honors<sup>1</sup>  
 DE Trigonometry & Analytical Geometry<sup>1</sup>

### SCIENCE

AP Biology  
 AP Chemistry  
 Anatomy & Physiology Honors  
 Biology (Regular/Honors)  
 Chemistry (Regular/Honors)  
 Environmental Science  
 Marine Science-FLVS  
 Physics Honors

### SOCIAL STUDIES

AP Microeconomics-FLVS  
 AP Psychology  
 AP European History  
 AP US Government & Politics-FLVS  
 AP US History  
 American Govt. (Regular/Honors)  
 American History (Regular/Honors)  
 Economics (Regular/Honors)  
 World History (Regular/Honors)

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Health Opportunities through PE

### TECHNOLOGY

AP Computer Science Principles  
 Applied Computer Technology  
 Digital Information Technology-FLVS  
 Production Engineering

### PERFORMING/FINE ARTS

AP Music Theory  
 AP Studio Art: 2D Design  
 AP Studio Art: Drawing  
 Art Appreciation  
 Art History & Criticism Honors-FLVS  
 Art I  
 Band  
 Chorus  
 Creative Photography I-FLVS  
 Debate  
 Digital Art Imaging  
 Drama  
 Music Theory  
 Public Speaking  
 Tech Theatre: Design & Production for Theatre and Live Events

### WORLD LANGUAGE

French I, II-FLVS, III-FLVS, IV-FLVS  
 Latin I, II, III-all FLVS  
 Mandarin Chinese I, II, III-all FLVS  
 Spanish I, II, III, IV-FLVS  
 \*Levels III & IV Honors, all languages

### ELECTIVES

Contemporary Living  
 Driver Education/Traffic Safety-FLVS  
 Foundations in Personal Finance-FLVS  
 Introduction to Engineering  
 Honors Journalism (Yearbook)  
 Life Management Skills-FLVS  
 Principles of Entrepreneurship  
 Sports & Recreation Marketing

<sup>1</sup>Dual enrollment courses in cooperation with Palm Beach Atlantic University on Boca Christian campus. Other dual enrollment courses available through FAU and PBSC upon approval by Guidance Department. Students must be able to travel to FAU/PBSC.

# RECENT COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES\*

## CHRISTIAN/CATHOLIC UNIVERSITIES & COLLEGES

Anderson University, SC  
Barry University  
Baylor University  
Bethel University  
Biola University  
Briar Cliff University  
Charleston Southern University  
Colorado Christian University  
Covenant College  
Grove City College

Gordon College  
Houghton College  
LeTourneau University  
Liberty University  
Limestone University  
Methodist University  
Messiah College  
Mississippi College  
North Greenville University  
Nyack College

Oral Roberts University  
Palm Beach Atlantic University, Honors  
Regent University  
Samford University  
Southeastern University  
Southern Wesleyan University  
University of Mobile  
University of Mount Olive  
**Wheaton College**  
Xavier Christian University

## PUBLIC/PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES & COLLEGES

**Amherst College**  
Arizona State University  
Auburn University  
Babson College  
Berklee College of Music  
**Boston College**  
**Boston University**  
Clemson University, Honors  
Colorado State University  
**Columbia University**  
**Cornell University**  
**Dartmouth College**  
Drexel University  
**Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University**  
Fairleigh Dickinson University  
Flagler College  
Florida Atlantic University, Honors  
Florida Gulf Coast University  
Florida Institute of Technology  
Florida International University  
Florida Southern College  
Florida State University, Honors  
**Georgia Institute of Technology**  
Hofstra University  
Jacksonville University  
**Johns Hopkins University**  
**Lehigh University**  
Louisiana State University, Honors

Loyola University, Chicago  
Lynn University  
Mercer University  
Miami University, Ohio  
Michigan State University  
Mississippi State University  
Missouri State University  
New York Film Academy  
**New York University**  
North Carolina State University  
**Northeastern University**  
Nova Southeastern University  
Ohio State University  
Pennsylvania State University  
**Pepperdine University**  
Providence College  
**Rice University**  
Rochester Institute of Technology  
Rollins College  
Rutgers University  
Santa Fe College, Honors  
Savannah College of Art & Design  
Seton Hall University  
Shorter University  
**Smith College**  
South Dakota State University  
Southern Methodist University

Stetson University  
Texas Tech University  
The Citadel  
**Tufts University**  
**Tulane University**  
University of Alabama  
University of Central Florida  
University of Colorado  
University of Connecticut  
**University of Florida**  
University of Idaho  
University of Kansas  
University of Miami  
University of Minnesota  
University of Mississippi  
University of Missouri  
University of Montana  
University of Nevada  
**University of North Carolina**  
University of North Florida  
University of South Carolina  
University of South Florida  
University of Tampa  
University of Tennessee  
University of Valley Forge  
University of West Florida  
**Vanderbilt University**  
Virginia Military Institute

\* This is not a complete list of Boca Raton Christian School's College Acceptances.  
**Bold** indicates universities and colleges that are ranked in the top 50 nationally.