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Cognia

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: 164
Average Class Size: 15
AP® Classes: 14
College Acceptance: 100%
DE (on campus): 9
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 21-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 700 students in the 2021-2022 school year is: African American 7%, Asian American 2%, Brazilian 13%, Caucasian 40%, Latino-Hispanic 21%, Native American 1%, multiracial 7%, and other minorities 9%.

FACULTY

All faculty and administrators at Boca Christian have a bachelor's degree or higher. In the high school, 50% of faculty and administration have advanced degrees. Faculty have received national, state, and county recognition for excellence in teaching. The 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 Workspace for Education

Makerspace

Engineering Room

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 2021 Terra Nova 3[®] standardized test.

Two girls tennis players represented Boca Christian in states in the spring of 2021.

The passing rate (3 or higher) on AP[®] exams by high school students of 2021 is 66%.

Students have consistently qualified for all state choir and all state band since 2009.

Since its inception, Thespian Troupe #7354 has received superior ratings in competition.

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

Girls Volleyball advanced to regional finals in fall of 2021.

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.

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	2020/19	2021/36
National Merit - Semifinalist				1
National Merit - Commended	2	1		1
National Hispanic Scholar	1			2
AP[®] Scholar - Distinction	4	3	1	3
AP[®] Scholar - Honors	1	1	3	2
AP[®] Scholar	4	2	3	12

2021 & 2022 College Board SAT[®] Scores

	Top Quartile	Middle 50%	Average
EBRW-Advanced Diploma	710-760	610-710	661
Math-Advanced Diploma	690-730	580-690	664
EBRW-All	650-760	520-660	587
Math-All	610-730	480-650	557

(Averages reflect highest score for each student.)

GRADING SCALE & GPA

GRADE	PERCENT	STANDARD	HONORS	AP [®] /DUAL	AP [®] /DUAL HPA
A	90-100	4.00	4.50	5.00	6.00
B	80-89	3.00	3.375	3.75	4.50
C	70-79	2.00	2.25	2.50	3.00
D	60-69	1.00	1.125	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, and AP[®]/DE 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.

32% of our high school students are enrolled in at least one Dual Enrollment course this academic year. This figure represents 51% of the junior class and 83% of the senior class.

	ADVANCED	COLLEGE PREP	STANDARD
SUBJECT	Credits	Credits	Credits
Christian Studies	4	4	4
English	4	4	4
Math	4	4	4
Science	4	4	3
Social Studies	4	3	3
Performing Arts	1	1	1
Physical Ed. (HOPE)	1	1	1
World Language	2	2	0
Electives	3	3	6
TOTAL	27	26	26
Community Service	100 hours (25/year)	100 hours (25/year)	100 hours (25/year)

COURSE OFFERINGS

CHRISTIAN STUDIES

DE Exploring the Bible¹
 DE Intro to Christian Social Ministry¹
 Jewish History
 Marriage & Family
 New Testament Survey
 Philosophy/Comparative Worldview
 DE Evangelism & Apologetics¹
 Practical Ministry/Discipleship
 DE Principles of Leadership¹

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 Algebra¹
 Geometry (Regular/Honors)
 Introduction to College Algebra
 Pre-Calculus Honors
 DE Statistics¹
 Statistic Honors
 DE Trigonometry & Analytical Geometry¹

SCIENCE

AP® Biology
 AP® Chemistry
 Anatomy & Physiology Honors
 Biology (Regular/Honors)
 Chemistry (Regular/Honors)
 Environmental Science
 Marine Science
 Physics Honors
 Earth Science (Regular/Honors)

SOCIAL STUDIES

AP® Microeconomics-FLVS
 AP® Psychology
 AP® European History
 AP® US History
 American Govt.
 American History (Regular/Honors)
 Economics (Regular/Honors)
 World History (Regular/Honors)
 DE American Federal Government
 DE Lifespan Development
 DE Criminal Law

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Health Opportunities through PE
 Interscholastic Sport Season (PE Waiver)

TECHNOLOGY

AP® Computer Science Principles
 Digital Information Technology-FLVS

PERFORMING/FINE ARTS

AP® Music Theory
 AP® Studio Art: 2D Design
 AP® Studio Art: Drawing
 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, 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

Driver Education/Traffic Safety-FLVS
 Personal Financial Literacy-FLVS
 Introduction to Engineering
 Honors Journalism (Yearbook)
 Principles of Entrepreneurship
 Sports & Recreation Marketing

¹Dual 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
Bryan College
Charleston Southern University
Colorado Christian University
Covenant College
Eastern University
Grove City College

Gordon College
Houghton College
LeTourneau University
Liberty University
Limestone University
Messiah College
Mississippi College
North Greenville University
Nyack College
Oral Roberts University
Palm Beach Atlantic University, Honors

Pensacola Christian College
Regent University
Samford University
Southeastern University
Southern Wesleyan University
St. Thomas University
The King's College
University of Mobile
University of Mount Olive
University of the South
Wheaton College

PUBLIC/PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES & COLLEGES

The American Musical and Dramatic Academy
Amherst College
Arizona State University
Auburn University
Babson College
Berklee College of Music
Boston College
Boston University
Case Western Reserve 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
Georgia State University
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
Parsons School of Design
Pennsylvania State University
Pepperdine University
Providence College
Rhodes 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

* 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.