



COLLEGE ADMISSION PROFILE 2010-2011

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Southern Association of Colleges
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Virginia Association of Independent
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National Association of College
Admission Counselors
Potomac and Chesapeake Association
of College Admission Counselors
Cum Laude Society

STANDARDIZED TESTING RESULTS

It is the student's responsibility to release test scores to colleges. 60 seniors in the Class of 2010 achieved the following mid-50% range of SAT scores:

	VERBAL	MATH	WRITING
COVENANT	480-630	490-620	470-610
VIRGINIA	430-590	430-590	420-570
NATIONAL	420-580	430-600	410-570

Students take the annual PSAT in grades 9 to 11. The October 2008 test resulted in recognition of TCS students as follows:

2 National Merit Commendations

SCHOOL BACKGROUND

The Covenant School is a non-denominational Christian day school founded in 1985. It is coeducational and open to all qualified students in grades PK-12 without regard to race, creed, religion, or national origin. Minority students comprise 14% of the student body; 32% of our students receive financial assistance. Enrollment in grades 9-12 is 225 students of the total enrollment of 512 students for the 2010-2011 school year.

Mission and Philosophy: "The Covenant School seeks to promote the moral, intellectual, and physical development of young people. We foster the virtues of faith, wisdom, and love through the pursuit of academic excellence and the recognition of God's sovereignty over His creation. We nurture our students, challenging them to follow the example of Jesus Christ, to achieve through self-discipline, to lead by service to others, and to grow in knowledge and virtue."

The Covenant School provides a college preparatory education and seeks to inspire students to love God and to love learning. We believe that the mere acquisition of knowledge does not convey wisdom and, therefore, see studying the Bible as essential for learning how to live. We encourage students to seek truth, to develop character, and to serve others.

ACADEMIC PROGRAM AND DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS

Covenant's highly-skilled high school faculty of 38 full- and part-time instructors teach 73 traditional and elective courses during the three-trimester academic year. Fifty percent of the faculty hold one or more advanced degrees, including three with a Ph.D. in their disciplines.

Graduation demands successful completion of a minimum of 22 credits (excluding PE) in grades 9 through 12 as follows (courses are yearlong and earn one credit):

English	4 credits	History	4 credits
Mathematics	3 credits	Lab Science	3 credits
Foreign Language	3 credits	Fine Arts	1 credit
Bible	4 credits*	Physical Education	4 credits ⁺
(*or one for each year enrolled)		(*one credit for each sport season)	

Advanced Placement (AP) courses are highly competitive (students must meet specific standards to place into AP), and all AP students sit for the AP examinations. In 2010, 85 students in grades 10 through 12 took 156 AP exams in 13 subject areas; 85% of the resulting scores were 3 or higher. Courses offered are:

AP European History	AP U.S. History	AP U.S. Government
AP Comparative Politics	AP Calculus AB	AP Calculus BC
AP Biology	AP Environmental Science	AP Chemistry
AP French	AP Latin	AP Spanish
AP English	AP Studio Art	

Honors courses are available in English 9-12, Algebra I, Algebra II/Trig, Geometry, Calculus, Physics, Chemistry, World History I, and level IV French and Spanish.

DISCIPLINARY CONSEQUENCES

The Covenant School reports all serious breaches of community standards or potentially harmful patterns of behavior resulting in suspension or dismissal from school. We notify appropriate colleges of a student's change of status and, prior to mailing this letter for seniors in the college admission process, urge the senior to also inform the colleges to which he/she has applied.

GRADING POLICY

The Covenant School does not rank its students for college admission purposes. Transcript grades are grades earned, and the cumulative GPA is weighted for AP and Honors courses for grades of 73 and higher. For AP, 1.0 is added; for Honors, 0.5 is added; and A+ (97-100) is weighted with 0.3. Grades are scaled as follows:

A = 90 – 100 C = 70 – 79 F = 64 and below
 B = 80 – 89 D = 65 – 69

DISTRIBUTION OF CUMULATIVE GPAs

(Classes of 2008, 2009, and 2010)

4.00	19%	2.75 – 2.99	10%
3.75 – 3.99	13%	2.50 – 2.74	5%
3.50 – 3.74	11%	2.25 – 2.49	9%
3.25 – 3.49	16%	2.00 – 2.24	2%
3.00 – 3.24	11%	<2.00	4%

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES FOR THE CLASSES OF 2008, 2009, and 2010

(*indicates matriculation)

Abilene Christian University	Hillsdale College	Southern Methodist University
Agnes Scott College	Hobart and William Smith Colleges	Southern Wesleyan University
Allegany College of Maryland*	Hollins University	St. Andrews Presbyterian College
American University*	Indiana University Bloomington*	Stevenson University
Appalachian State University	Ithaca College	Stony Brook University
Arizona State University*	James Madison University*	Sweet Briar College*
Auburn University*	Johns Hopkins University*	Syracuse University
Baylor University	Lehigh University	Texas A&M University
Belmont University	Liberty University*	Texas Christian University*
Binghamton University*	Longwood University*	The Catholic University of America
Blue Ridge Community College*	Louisburg College*	The College of Idaho
Boston College	Louisiana State University	The College of New Jersey
Boston University*	Loyola University Maryland	The George Washington University
Bridgewater College*	Lynchburg College*	The University of Alabama
Calvin College	Mary Baldwin College	Union University*
Campbell University	Marymount University	University of Arizona*
Carnegie Mellon University*	Meredith College*	University of Arkansas
Cedarville University	Messiah College	University of Central Florida*
Charleston Southern University	Methodist University*	U of Colorado/Boulder*
Christopher Newport University*	Miami University Oxford	University of Connecticut
Clemson University*	Michigan State University	University of Delaware*
Coastal Carolina University	Middle Tennessee State University*	University of Edinburgh*
College of Charleston*	Milligan College*	University of Georgia*
College of William and Mary*	Montana State University Bozeman	University of Illinois/Urbana*
Colorado School of Mines	New York University	University of Mary Washington*
Covenant College	North Carolina State University	University of Massachusetts, Amherst
Drexel University	Northern Arizona University*	University of Mississippi
Duke University	Oberlin College*	UNC/Chapel Hill*
Earlham College	Old Dominion University*	UNC/Charlotte
East Carolina University*	Palm Beach Atlantic University*	UNC/Wilmington
Eastern University	Pennsylvania State University, UP*	University of Notre Dame*
Eckerd College*	Piedmont Virginia Community College*	University of Pittsburgh
Elon University*	Point Loma Nazarene University	University of Richmond*
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University	Pratt Institute	USC/Columbia*
Emory & Henry College*	Purdue University	University of Tennessee/Knoxville*
Emory University*	Radford University*	University of Vermont
Ferrum College*	Randolph College	University of Virginia*
Florida Institute of Technology	Randolph-Macon College*	University of Virginia/Wise*
Florida Southern College	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	University of Wisconsin/Madison*
Fordham University	Rhode Island School of Design*	Vanderbilt University*
Furman University	Rhodes College	Villanova University*
George Mason University*	Rice University	Virginia Commonwealth University*
Georgetown University	Roanoke College*	Virginia Intermont College*
Georgia Institute of Technology*	Rutgers University	Virginia Military Institute
Gordon College*	Saint Joseph's University*	Virginia Polytechnic Institute*
Goucher College*	Saint Louis University	Virginia Wesleyan College*
Grove City College	Salisbury University	Wake Forest University
Guilford College	Savannah College of Art & Design*	Washington and Lee University*
Hampden-Sydney College*	Sewanee: The University of the South*	Washington College
Hampton University	Shenandoah University	West Virginia University
High Point University*	Skidmore College*	Wofford College*