



COLLEGE ADMISSION PROFILE 2007-2008

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National Association of College
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Potomac and Chesapeake Association
of College Admission Counselors

STANDARDIZED TESTING RESULTS

It is the student's responsibility to release test scores to colleges. 66 seniors in the Class of 2007 achieved the following mid-50% range of SAT scores:

	VERBAL	MATH	WRITING
COVENANT	520-650	500-630	520-620
VIRGINIA	430-580	430-590	420-570
NATIONAL	430-580	430-590	420-570

All students in grades 9-11 take the annual PSAT. The October 2005 test resulted in recognition of TCS students as follows:

4 National Merit Commendations
2 National Achievement Commendations
1 National Merit Winner

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 10% of the student body; 21% of our students receive financial assistance. Enrollment in grades 9-12 is 289 students of the total enrollment of 710 students for the 2007-2008 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 36 full- and part-time instructors teach 73 traditional and elective courses during the three-trimester academic year. Forty-seven 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)		(+or one for each year enrolled)	

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 2007, 101 students in grades 10 through 12 took 191 AP exams in 14 subject areas; 73% of the resulting scores were 3 or higher. Courses offered are:

AP European History	AP U.S. History	AP U.S. Government
AP Biology	AP Environmental Science	AP Chemistry
AP English	AP French	AP Spanish
AP Latin (Literature)	AP Latin (Vergil)	AP Studio Art
AP Calculus AB	AP Calculus BC	

Additionally, 15 Honors courses are available in all core areas of study.

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 2005, 2006, and 2007)

4.00	15%	2.75 – 2.99	6%
3.75 – 3.99	16%	2.50 – 2.74	8%
3.50 – 3.74	15%	2.25 – 2.49	5%
3.25 – 3.49	12%	2.00 – 2.24	5%
3.00 – 3.24	16%	<2.00	2%

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES FOR THE CLASSES OF 2005, 2006, and 2007

(*indicates matriculation)

American University	High Point University*	Sweet Briar College*
Amherst College	Hope College*	Temple University
Appalachian State University	Houghton College*	Toccoa Falls College*
Arizona State University	Indiana University*	US Air Force Academy*
Auburn University	Ithaca College	University of Alabama*
Augustana College	James Madison University*	University of Arizona*
Barton College	King College*	U of Colorado/Colorado Springs
Baylor University*	Lehigh University*	University of Georgia*
Boston College	Liberty University*	University of Hawaii/Manoa
Boston University	Longwood University*	University of Illinois/ Urbana*
Bridgewater College*	Louisiana State University*	University of Kansas
Brown University	Lynchburg College*	University of Louisville*
Calvin College*	Marshall University	University of Maryland
Carnegie Mellon University*	Mars Hill College*	University of Mary Washington*
Centre College*	Mercer University*	University of Mississippi
Charleston Southern University*	Mesa State College	UNC/Chapel Hill
Christopher Newport University*	Messiah College*	UNC/Charlotte
Clemson University*	Michigan State University*	UNC/Greensboro*
College of Charleston*	New York University*	UNC/Wilmington*
College of William and Mary*	North Carolina State University	University of Northern Colorado*
College of Wooster*	Northeastern University	University of Notre Dame*
Colorado School of Mines	Northwood University, Florida	University of Pittsburgh*
Columbia College Chicago*	Ohio Wesleyan University*	University of Richmond*
Covenant College*	Oklahoma Christian University*	USC/Aiken
Dartmouth College	Old Dominion University*	USC/Columbia*
Davidson College	Oregon State University	University of Tennessee/Knoxville*
DePauw University	Palm Beach Atlantic University*	University of Texas/Austin
Dickinson College*	Pennsylvania State University	University of the South
Duke University*	Pfeiffer College	University of Vermont
East Carolina University	Philadelphia University	University of Virginia*
Eastern Mennonite University	Piedmont VA Community College*	University of Virginia/Wise
Elon University*	Point Loma Nazarene University	University of Washington*
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University	Presbyterian College	University of Wisconsin/Madison
Emory & Henry College*	Princeton University	Vanderbilt University
Emory University	Purdue University	Virginia Commonwealth University*
Ferrum College	Radford University*	Virginia Intermont College
Florida State University	Randolph-Macon College*	Virginia Military Institute*
Frostburg State University	Randolph College*	Virginia Polytechnic Institute*
George Mason University	Rhodes College*	Wake Forest University
Georgia Institute of Technology	Rice University	Washington and Jefferson College
Gettysburg College	Roanoke College*	Washington and Lee University*
Gordon College	San Francisco State University	Western State College of Colorado
Greensboro College	Savannah College of	West Virginia University*
Grove City College*	Art & Design*	West Virginia Wesleyan College
Guilford College	St. Andrews Presbyterian College*	Winthrop University
Hampden-Sydney College*	St. Mary's College of Maryland	Wofford College
Harvard University*	SUNY/Binghamton*	Yale University