2019-20 ENROLLMENT

| Class of 2020 | 62 |
| Class of 2021 | 53 |
| Class of 2022 | 69 |
| Class of 2023 | 60 |
| Total Students | 244 |

St. Cecilia Academy (SCA) is proud of the diversity of its students, both socioeconomically and culturally. Approximately 16 percent of the student body receives need-based financial aid. U.S. ethnic minorities comprise 22% of the school population. Traditionally, 100 percent of our graduates enroll in four-year colleges or universities.

ST. CECILIA ACADEMY

St. Cecilia Academy was founded in 1860 by the Congregation of Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia and is the oldest continually operating high school in Nashville. The all-girls Catholic college preparatory school provides a rigorous liberal arts academic program in a Christ-centered environment. St. Cecilia Academy inherots a tradition dating back to St. Dominic, who founded the Dominican Order in 1216 for the purpose of study, prayer, community and service. The school is inspired by its namesake, St. Cecilia, patroness of musicians and muse of poets. This rich legacy is ever ancient and ever new – as relevant today as it was 800 years ago, and interwoven into every aspect of St. Cecilia’s academic and extracurricular life. The St. Cecilia educational philosophy, rooted in the centuries-old Dominican tradition, develops women who are inquisitive and courageous. Immersed in an environment that is at once intimate and demanding, the St. Cecilia student becomes eager to discover why God made her and what she is meant to do.

FACULTY

Fifty-five percent of the faculty have earned an advanced degree; 15 percent have earned a doctoral degree.

ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Students are required to carry a minimum of 7 courses within an 8-course schedule. Each class is 80-85 minutes. Average class size is 12; student to teacher ratio is 8:1.

All academic classes are considered rigorous, college-preparatory courses. SCA also offers Advanced Placement and honors classes, as well as classes through approved online programs, including One Schoolhouse's online all-girls courses.
SCA COURSE OFFERINGS

Honors and AP courses are marked in bold type; classes not available during the 2019-20 school year are italicized.

ENGLISH
- English 9
- English Language & Composition
- English Literature & Composition
- English 10
- American Literature
- American Literature Honors
- English 11
- English Rhetoric & Composition
- AP English Language & Composition
- English 12
- British Literature
- AP English Literature & Composition

Yearbook 1 & 2 (semester classes)

MATHEMATICS
- Algebra 1
- Algebra 1 Honors
- Geometry
- Geometry Honors
- Algebra 2
- Algebra 2 Honors
- Functions and Data Analysis
- Pre-Calculus Honors
- Calculus
- AP Calculus AB
- AP Calculus BC
- AP Statistics (online)
- Multivariable Calculus (online)
- Differential Equations (online)

WORLD LANGUAGES
- French 1, 2, 3
- French Pre-AP (Honors-level course)
- French Culture & Conversation
- AP French Language
- Spanish 1, 2, 3
- Spanish Pre-AP (Honors-level course)
- Spanish Culture & Conversation
- AP Spanish Language
- Latin 1, 2, 3
- AP Latin

RELIGION
- Religion 9 (Christ & Scripture)
- Religion 10 (Redemption & the Sacraments)
- Religion 11 (Encountering Christ in the Church)
- Religion 12 (Moral & Spiritual Theology)
- Philosophical Questions (semester class)
- Faith & Culture Seminar (semester class)

SCIENCE
- Physics
- Physics Honors
- Chemistry
- Chemistry Honors
- Biology
- Biology Honors
- Special Topics in Science (semester classes)
- Anatomy & Physiology 1 & 2 (semester classes)
- AP Physics
- AP Chemistry
- AP Biology
- Scientific Research (Honors-level course)

SOCIAL SCIENCES
- Western Civilization I (World History)
- Western Civilization II (European History)
- AP European History
- U.S. History
- AP U.S. History
- AP U.S. Government & Politics (semester class)
- AP Psychology
- Current Global Issues (semester class)

FINE ARTS
- VAP (Visual & Performing Arts)
- Visual Arts (Intermediate, Advanced, & Masters)
- Portfolio Studio Arts
- 35mm Photography (semester class)
- Digital Photography (semester class)
- AP Art History
- AP Studio Art: 2D Design
- Speech & Drama (Intermediate, Advanced, & Masters)
- Dance (Intermediate, Advanced, & Masters)
- Introduction to Choral Music
- Advanced Chorus
- Chamber Ensemble (semester class)
- AP Music Theory

COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY
- (all semester classes)
- Academic Applications (may be taken in summer)
- Layout & Design
- Introduction to Programming

PHYSICAL EDUCATION
- (all semester classes)
- Wellness
- Weight Training/Conditioning

GRADING

GRADING SCALE
SCA does not use letter grades. Instead, exact number grades are used throughout. The school’s passing mark is 70.

92 — 100 A
84 — 91 B
75 — 83 C
70 — 74 D

WEIGHTING OF GRADES
Semester grades that appear on the official school transcript are not weighted. Weighted grades are used only when determining the cumulative weighted GPA. An additional 2 points are added to each AP class semester grade; honors classes are given 1 additional point each semester. All coursework taken at SCA is included in the GPA computation; grades from other schools, including online classes, are not included in the GPA at this time. Cumulative weighted and unweighted GPAs are also displayed on a 4.0 scale on the transcript.

CLASS RANK
SCA does not provide class rank. This policy reflects the academy’s position that rank does not fully communicate a student’s level of achievement or aptitude for college-level work.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT
Eighteen (18) AP courses and 11 honors-level courses are available, with additional advanced online courses offered according to student interest. All students enrolled in an AP course must sit for the exam.

In 2019, 97 SCA students took 210 AP examinations in 13 different subjects, with an overall pass rate of 80%.

AP SCHOLAR STATS 2015-2019
- AP Scholars: 48
- AP Scholars with Honor: 34
- AP Scholars with Distinction: 51
- National AP Scholars: 3
SAT RESULTS (50 students tested)

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ACT RESULTS (71 students tested)

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MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 2019
The 74 members of the class of 2019 are attending 47 different colleges in 21 states and were offered more than $17.8 million in scholarships.
Ninety-seven percent of the class of 2019 will attend four-year institutions immediately after graduation. Two students are taking a gap semester or year.

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARS
Classes of 2015-2019

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COMMUNITY SERVICE
Students are required to volunteer 60 hours of service, 20 hours each year beginning in the sophomore year. Service work is an integral part of the St. Cecilia Academy experience and ranges from tutoring children and working at homeless shelters to field work on various service trips.

FINE ARTS
St. Cecilia is the patron saint of the arts, and SCA takes pride in its long tradition of excellence in the arts, reflected in its extensive fine arts offerings. All freshmen are required to take a full-year introductory survey course, Visual and Performing Arts (VAP), which includes a study of dance, drama, choir and the visual arts. Advanced classes in speech & drama, art (including digital and 35mm photography), dance and music performance are available for interested students. The music program includes both beginning and advanced chorus and chamber ensemble, with private music lessons available in voice and various instruments including piano, clarinet, violin, and guitar. SCA’s highly competitive fine arts and forensics programs consistently bring home honors in regional, state and national competitions.

ATHLETICS
Approximately 60% of the student body participates in at least one sport. Sports include rowing, volleyball, cross country, soccer, basketball, swimming & diving, track & field, softball, golf, lacrosse, bowling and tennis.

INTERIM
Each January, all SCA students participate in an Interim program offering non-traditional learning through travel, internships or special on-campus classes. Students who remain on campus can explore a variety of subjects. Those who intern shadow community leaders and professionals with the goal of experiencing various career options. In recent years, students have also had the opportunity to intern in New York. Travel destinations have included Austria, Germany, Spain and Italy.
COLLEGES OFFERING ADMISSION TO THE CLASSES OF 2015 – 2019

A representative sample of colleges that have admitted SCA students in recent years.

University of Alabama
American University
University of Arizona
Auburn University
Bard College
Bates College
Baylor University
Belmont University
Benedictine College
Birmingham-Southern College
Boston College
Boston University
Butler University
Carnegie Mellon University
Case Western Reserve University
Catholic University of America
Centre College
College of Charleston
Clemson University
University of Colorado Boulder
Colorado School of Mines
Cornell University
University of Dallas
University of Dayton
Denison University
DePaul University
DePauw University
Dickinson College
Duke University
Eckerd College
Elon University
Emerson College
Emory University
Fordham University
Franciscan University of Steubenville
Franklin & Marshall College
Furman University
Georgetown University
George Washington University
University of Georgia
Georgia Institute of Technology
Gettysburg College
Gonzaga University
Grinnell College
High Point University
College of the Holy Cross
Howard University
University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
Indiana University Bloomington
Kalamazoo College
University of Kentucky
Kenyon College
Lafayette College
Lehigh University
Louisiana State University
Loyola Marymount University
Loyola University Chicago
Loyola University Maryland
Loyola University New Orleans
Marist College
University of Maryland College Park
University of Miami
University of Michigan
Mississippi State University
University of Mississippi
New York University
University of North Carolina Chapel Hill
North Carolina School of the Arts
North Carolina State University
Northeastern University
Northwestern University
University of Notre Dame
Oberlin College
The Ohio State University
University of Pennsylvania
Pepperdine University
Providence College
Purdue University
Rhodes College
Rice University
University of Richmond
University of Rochester
Rochester Institute of Technology
Saint Louis University
Saint Mary's College
Samford University
University of San Diego
Santa Clara University
Savannah College of Art and Design
Sewanee: The University of the South
Skidmore College
University of South Carolina
University of Southern California
Southern Methodist University
Spelman College
Spring Hill College
Stanford University
Syracuse University
University of Tennessee Chattanooga
University of Tennessee Knoxville
Texas A&M University
University of Texas Austin
Texas Christian University
Trinity College
Trinity University
Tulane University
United States Naval Academy
Vanderbilt University
Villanova University
University of Virginia
Virginia Tech
Wake Forest University
Washington University in St. Louis
Washington & Lee University
Wesleyan University
University of Wisconsin Madison
College of Wooster
Xavier University