

# BETHESDA™ CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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## 2016 – 2017

School code: **442-503**  
Administration: Principal: Vicki Vaughn, M.Ed.  
Vice Principal: Freda Chadwick, M.A.  
Dean of Students: Kenny Edwards, M.A.Ed.

Community Data: Located in the large Fort Worth/Dallas metroplex area;  
School: A K-12 coeducational, college preparatory school founded in 1980;  
Evangelical, interdenominational; selective admissions

Accreditation/  
Affiliations: BCS is accredited by the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI), an organization approved by the Texas Private School Accreditation Commission and recognized by the Texas Education Agency and the National Council for Private School Accreditation in Washington, D.C.; affiliated with The College Board; National Association of College Admissions Counselors; Texas Association of College Admissions Counselors; National Association of Secondary School Principals

Student Body: K – 12 .....386  
Senior School .....86  
Senior Class .....14  
High School Student/Teacher Ratio ..... 8:1

Calendar: 36 weeks; 2 semesters, 4 nine-week grading periods, 7 fifty-minute classes and 1 thirty-minute activity period

Graduation: Twenty-eight credits are required. Students earn one credit for each yearlong course and ½ credit for each semester course.

English.....4	Gov't/Econ .....1	Fine Arts ..... 1
Science.....4	Foreign Language.....3	Bible..... 4
Math.....4	Technology.....1	Electives..... 2
History .....3	Physical Education .....1	

BCS/Texas  
Diploma  
Comparison: The BCS Standard Diploma is comparable to the Texas Recommended High School Program, with the exceptions that we require (3) credits of foreign language and one (1) credit of technology.

The BCS Scholar's Diploma is similar to Texas' Distinguished Achievement Program; however, BCS requires an additional credit of Technology and a 3.6 GPA or higher upon graduation.

The BCS Distinguished Scholar's Diploma requires a student to take and pass a minimum of four (4) AP courses and have a 3.8 GPA or higher upon graduation.

Pre-AP / AP / Honors  
Course Offerings: Pre-AP Algebra I; Pre-AP Algebra II; Pre-AP Biology; Pre-AP Chemistry; Pre-AP English; Pre-AP Pre-Calculus; Pre-AP World History; Honors Spanish III; Honors French III; Honors Geometry; Honors Anatomy and Physiology; AP Biology; AP Calculus; AP Chemistry; AP English Literature and Composition; AP English Language and Composition; Concurrent College Statistics; Concurrent U.S. History; AP Computer Science Principles; AP Computer Science A




Spiritual Development: Biblical principles are integrated into coursework providing graduates with a Christian worldview.

Grading:	Letter Grade	Grade Point Average	Numerical Average	Letter Grade	Grade Point Average	Numerical Average
	A+	4.0	100 – 98	C	2.3	77 – 76
	A	3.8	97 – 93	C-	2.0	75
	A-	3.6	92 – 90	D+	1.7	74 – 73
	B+	3.4	89 – 87	D	1.3	72 – 71
	B	3.2	86 – 83	D-	1.0	70
	B-	3.0	82 – 80	F	0	69 – Below
	C+	2.7	79 – 78			

- GPA Computations:
- GPA is computed on all subjects taken in grades 9-12 except as detailed in 2.
  - PAP denotes Pre-AP courses; S denotes Summer School class; EX denotes exemption. Exemption is only awarded when a student speaks a foreign language as their native tongue and is exempt by exam. Exemptions are not included in the GPA. P denotes a passing grade on a pass/fail standard with only credit being allowed on transcripts and are not included in the GPA.
  - Honors, Pre-AP, Concurrent, and AP courses are weighted. Honors, Pre-AP, and Concurrent courses are given five (5) additional points and AP courses are awarded ten (10) additional points. The grade report and GPA reflect the addition of the extra points. The highest possible grade in an AP course is 110 with a GPA equivalent of 5.0. The highest possible grade for an honor, Pre-AP, and concurrent course is 105 with a GPA of 4.6.

Class Rank: Class rank is only given to those students in the first or second position. **Because of the small class size for the senior class, we recommend that college admission counselors focus on GPA.**

National Merit® College Board Programs: Out of a total of 389 graduates since 2000, Bethesda has had the following: National Merit®, College Board, and National Achievement student recognitions:

	National Merit®	15 Scholars 36 Commended
		15 National Hispanic Scholars
	National Achievement	2 Outstanding Participant

CEEB SAT Summary:	Class of 2016	Texas	National	BCS – Class of 2016 (last test taken Dec. 2015)
	Mean Critical Reading	466	494	589
	Mean Math	478	508	599
	Mean Writing	449	482	566
	Mean Composite	1393	1484	1754

College Choices: 94% of the Class of 2016 is attending college.