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# **OUR SCHOOL**

Est. 1889

Founded in 1889, Sacred Heart Academy has provided the opportunity for both spiritual and academic growth for 130 years. SHA is a Catholic school in the state of Michigan with approximately 200 students in grades 7-12. The Academy also includes KP-6 education in a separate building on the Sacred Heart Campus located in downtown Mount Pleasant. As a member of the Diocese of Saginaw and the Gratiot-Isabella RESD, SHA is accredited by the Michigan Association of Non-Public Schools (MANS). Drawing students from more than five different counties, Sacred Heart Academy represents one of the few remaining Catholic high schools in northern lower Michigan. In addition to our rigorous, college preparatory curriculum, students participate in daily prayer and theology classes, frequently assist in community outreach initiatives, and attend weekly Masses, while also fulfilling a graduation requirement of performing 100 community service hours.

## **OUR COMMUNITY**

Located 155 miles northwest of Detroit at the heart of Michigan's lower peninsula, Mount Pleasant is a community of approximately 25,000 residents. Mount Pleasant is an increasingly diversifying area with an economy significantly based around Central Michigan University and the McLaren and Mid Michigan Medical facilities. With the opening of CMU's medical school, there has been a further increase in health science professionals populating the Mount Pleasant area. In general, Isabella and Gratiot, the two counties where the majority of SHA students reside, are rural communities with a strong emphasis on agriculture, natural resources, and various trade programs.

### **OUR STUDENTS**

The student body at SHA is made up of students from diverse backgrounds who are looking to develop the skills needed to reach their college and career goals within a learning environment based on Christian morals. SHA is welcoming of students of all faiths (1/3 of our students are not Catholic) and those with specific learning needs. Approximately 14% of Sacred Heart families receive financial aid as our goal is to make a high-quality Catholic education affordable and available for as many students as possible. The ethnic/racial make up of our student population is similar to that of Mount Pleasant: 5% Black/African American, 4% Latino/Latina, 7% Asian, 82% Caucasian, and 2% American Indian.

# STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT-By the Numbers

Sacred Heart Academy students continue to excel academically, athletically, and through the arts.

- > 1111: SHA SAT Mean
  - o 985: State SAT Mean
- ➤ 4: Consecutive National Merit Semi-Finalists
  - 3: National Merit Finalists
  - o 1: Commended Student
- ➤ **100**: Percentage of 2021 Graduates enrolled in college
- ▶ 86: Percentage of 2021 Graduates who completed at least one college course while in high school
- > 7: State championships since 2014
- 20: Shubha Vedula (Class of 2013) Top 20 Finalist for American Idol
- 4: Isabella Kostrzewa (Class of 2018)
  Top 4 Finalist for Project Runway Junior
- **8:** AP and Dual Enrollment Classes taught at SHA

#### **SCHOOL CODES**

CEEB/ACT School Code: 232690 Michigan School Code: 03319 Michigan District Code: 37010

#### **OUR MISSION**

## **CLASS RANK & GRADE POINT AVERAGE**

GPAs are calculated on a weighted 4.5 scale. Students receive additional GPA weighting for AP course grades as of the 2020-21 school year. Individual class rank will no longer be reported after the Class of 2021. Valedictorian and Salutatorian is determined by a calculation of cumulative GPA and SAT score.

### **ACADEMICS**

- College Preparatory Curriculum
- > 7-Block Semester Schedule
- Additional online and dual enrollment courses may be taken outside of school hours
- > 10:1 Student-to-Teacher Ratio
- New AP courses added yearly
  - Excellent AP Exam Pass Rate
- > 75-90% of high school students dual enroll
  - Central Michigan University
  - Mid Michigan College
- > Theology class required each semester
- Career and Technical Education available junior and senior year

### **ADVANCED COURSES**

Anatomy & Physiology	Pre-Calculus
Physics	Calculus
AP Computer Science	Chemistry II
AP Literature	AP Language
Human Genetics	AP US History

### **GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

Religion	4 Credits
English	4 Credits
Mathematics	4 Credits
Science	3 Credits
Social Studies	3 Credits
World Language	2 Credits
Phys. Ed/Health	1 Credit
Visual/Performing Arts	1 Credit
Communications	0.5 Credit
Financial Algebra	0.5 Credit
Statistics (Class of 2022)	0.5 Credit
Online Experience	0.5 Credit
<b>Total for Graduation</b>	24 Credits

# **COLLEGE ENROLLMENT-CLASS of 2021**

- ▶ 91% to 4-year institutions
- 9% to 2-year institutions
- 91% In-State institutions
  - Michigan State, Grand Valley State, Central Michigan, Ferris State, Michigan Tech, Saginaw Valley State, Madonna University, Mid Michigan College, Lansing CC, Aquinas

#### 9% Out-of-State institutions

 College of Charleston, Aurora University

# **ATHLETICS**

Baseball (B)	8-Player Football (B/G)
Basketball (B, G)	Golf (B, G)
Cheerleading (G)	Softball (G)
Cross Country (B, G)	Track/Field (B, G)
Dance (G)	Volleyball (G)
Soccer (G)	

## **STUDENT ACTIVITIES & CLUBS**

Choir	Model UN
Close Up	<b>National Honor Society</b>
Concert Band	Pre-Med Club
Film Club	Quiz Bowl
Forensics	Robotics
Key Club	Science Olympiad
Language Arts	Student Senate

# **POINTS OF PRIDE: CLASS OF 2021**

- ➤ 1-Centralis Scholar Award Recipient (Full Ride Scholarship to CMU)
- 2-Centralis Gold Recipients (Fulltuition scholarship to CMU)
- 3-Boys Basketball State Semi-Finalist Participants

# **OUR ADMINISTRATION**

Principal	Mary Kay Yonker
Assistant Principal/Academic Advisor	Marie Richards
Elementary Assistant Principal	Julie George
Athletic Director	Dan Haggart