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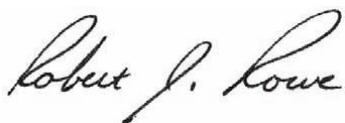
# YOUR CHAPTER BEGINS HERE!

Covington Catholic High School has the distinction of being the only all-male high school in Northern Kentucky. The mission of CCH is to embrace the gospel message of Jesus Christ, in order to educate young men spiritually, academically, physically, and socially. We are a 2-time nationally recognized (U.S. Department of Education) National Blue Ribbon School and are accredited by the AdvancED Accreditation Commission, Southern Association of Colleges & Schools, National Council for Private School Accreditation (NCPA) and the Kentucky Non-Public School Commission. We have an outstanding faculty and our curriculum is designed to motivate and educate our students to enable them to thrive. You will find that a boy who enters Covington Catholic leaves as a young man, in part, because we have high expectations. Our expectations in the classroom, throughout the community, and in our extracurricular activities prepare our students for the many challenges awaiting them in post-secondary education and in life.

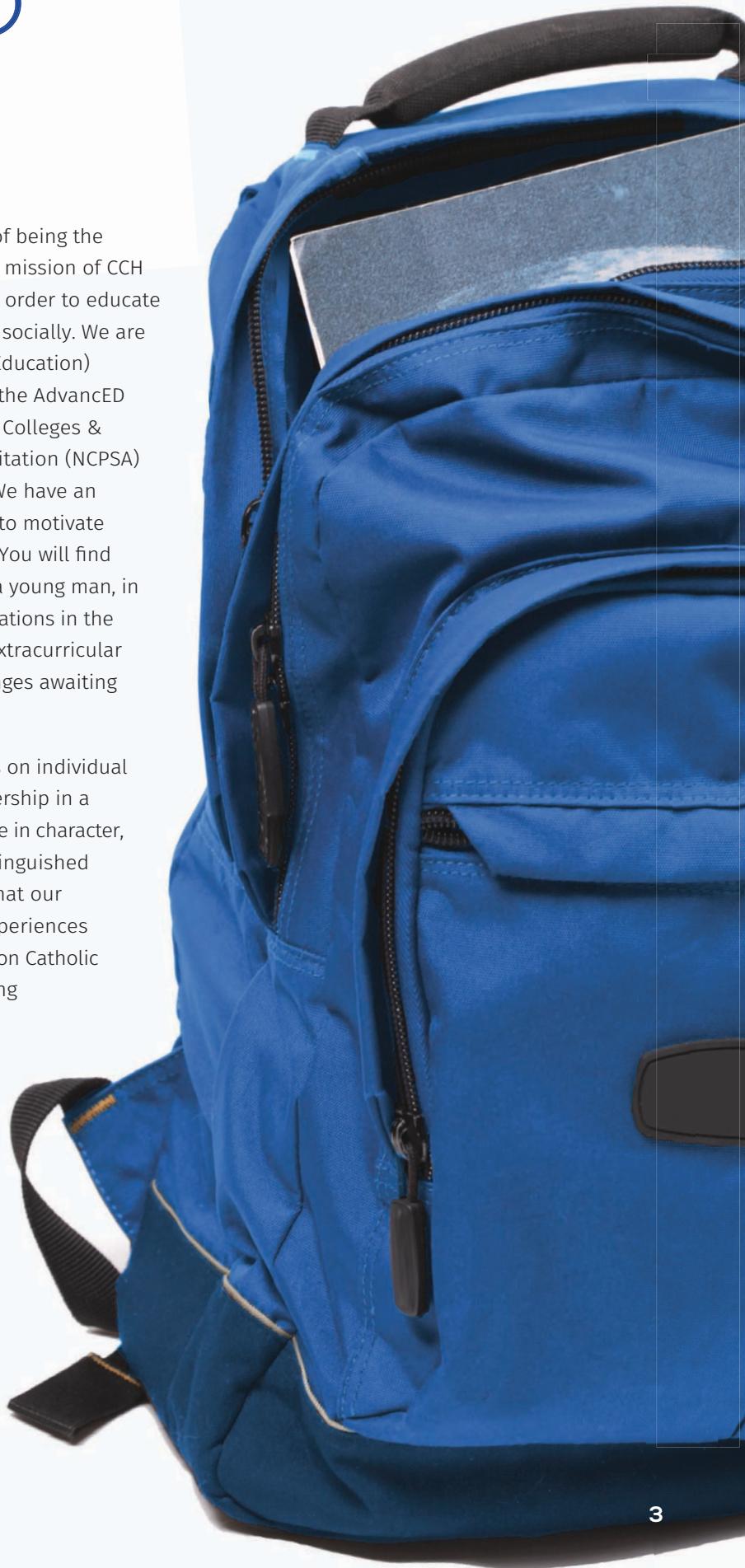
Our academic mission, in word and practice, focuses on individual student excellence. We prepare young men for leadership in a global society that demands spiritual vision, excellence in character, and a solid intellect. Since 1925, this vision has distinguished our school as well as our graduates. It is our goal that our students will always reflect favorably upon their experiences and will use the gifts they have developed at Covington Catholic in order to live humbly, with integrity and faith, using Christ as their constant role model.

Thank you for taking the time to learn more about CCH. It is truly an exciting time to be a CovCath Colonel!

God's blessings,



Robert J. Rowe  
Principal  
Covington Catholic High School



## OUR **CATHOLIC** IDENTITY

The mission of Covington Catholic High School is to embrace the gospel message of Jesus Christ in order to educate young men spiritually, academically, physically and socially.



- Four required credits in Religion including instruction in the basic concepts of the Catholic faith, Sacred Scripture, Church History, and Morality
- Rosary service four times weekly
- Mass offered in our chapel every Friday morning
- Confessions heard 1-2 times a week
- All-school Mass once a month
- Reconciliation for entire student body during Advent and Lent
- Underclassman “Day of Reflection”
- Senior Retreat
- Outstanding Community Service Program (over 16,100 hours performed in 2016-17)

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INTO YOUR HANDS I  
COMMEND MY SPIRIT;  
**YOU WILL REDEEM ME,  
LORD, FAITHFUL GOD.**

PSALM 31:6





The top 25%  
of the 2015-2017  
senior classes averaged

30.5

on the ACT \*

\* Reflects ACT Super Score for each student.

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The CCH 2017 graduating class earned \$16.1 million in scholarships.

# The All-Male Advantage



It is Covington Catholic High School's belief that the all-male environment allows for easy and effective implementation of gender inclusive teaching strategies. Covington Catholic cultivates an environment that recognizes the educational needs of young men and creates expectations that allow them to reach their potential.

As such, Covington Catholic students consistently earn standardized test scores above the overall and the all-male average on both the state and national levels and they receive scholarships to many prestigious colleges and universities.

Just as important, students at Covington Catholic enjoy coming to school and they feel comfortable interacting with their peers in an all-male environment. Students build lasting friendships while continuing to foster the traditions and values inherent in its unique learning environment. Covington Catholic is a college prep high school and 99% of our students continue their education once they leave CCH. All of the core curriculum classes are offered as AP/Honors, CPI, and CPII to accommodate the student's learning ability. Each course learning level is independent of the other so if a student is strong in one subject but less strong in another, his schedule is tailored to provide him an individual educational plan.





A FRIEND LOVES  
AT ALL TIMES, AND  
A BROTHER IS BORN  
FOR ADVERSITY.  
PROVERBS 17:17



*By giving of their time and talents, our students develop compassion and tolerance which instills in them a lifelong responsibility to help those in need.*



## COMMUNITY SERVICE

While the annual requirement of our student body is to perform 9,000 hours of community service, they far exceed this expectation by consistently performing over 13,000 hours of volunteer work annually. A major supporter of Special Olympics, an additional 200 agencies are assisted by the Covington Catholic students. Each summer our students are given the opportunity to travel to Nicaragua for a mission trip as the "Amigos for Christ," a moving experience that they cherish for the rest of their lives.

14,100

Number of hours of community service performed by the Class of 2017 over their 4-year CCH career.



Our students help families re-build their lives in Nicaragua as Amigos for Christ



**F**  **D**  
**DRIVE**

**Covington Catholic has food and clothing drives throughout the year to benefit many shelters in our community. We often challenge Notre Dame Academy to a canned goods war to see who can collect the most.**

# STEM

## (SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY ENGINEERING & MATH). WHAT SETS US APART?

Many schools have introduced and enhanced curriculum programs focused on STEM (the coordinated integration of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math learning) over the past decade since the U.S. Department of Education declared the advancement of STEM education a priority. It's no secret that these skills are considered critical to technological innovation and vital to economic progress.

Covington Catholic has made big commitments to STEM over recent years, including the adoption of Project Lead The Way's (PLTW) curriculum program and the construction of a new academic wing with STEM program-specific facilities (to be completed by Fall of 2018).

### Here are some ways that the CCH STEM program stands out:

- PLTW provides excellent STEM content and techniques to engage students in real-world challenges, and trains and certifies teachers to empower students with STEM skills.
  - o Mr. Bob Lind, Director of the CCH STEM program, recently was appointed by PLTW as a Master Instructor for Principles of Engineering.
  - o CCH is the only Catholic high school in the state of Kentucky to have the PLTW Engineering program, with 4 courses in 2017-18:
    - **Introduction to Engineering Design (IED)** – use math, science and engineering standards to design solutions for a variety of problems using 3D modeling software, while documenting findings in an engineering notebook.
    - **Principles of Engineering (POE)** – apply problem solving, research and collaborative design to a variety of engineering topics, including mechanisms, the strength of structures and materials, and automation.
    - **Aerospace Engineering** - explore the physics of flight, basic orbital mechanics and robot systems.
    - **Engineering Design and Development** – a “capstone” course bringing previous learnings into the development of a solution to a complex issue which is then presented to a panel of professional engineers.
  - o Besides helping students connect what they've learned in other science, math, computer aided design and even art classes, successful completion of this program can earn students college credit with major universities.
- 295 CCH students were enrolled in Engineering, Computer Science, and Graphic Design courses last year – all electives within busy schedules!
- Hands-on applications and firsthand exposures:
  - o “Reverse Engineering” Night showcased the reverse engineering projects of students from Mr. Cleveland's Intro to Engineering Design class.
  - o "Breakfast with an Engineer" introduced 50 STEM students to 8 engineering professionals to understand education and career path options and opportunities.
  - o “Career Day” for juniors and seniors features workshop sessions across 12 career clusters (not all specifically “STEM,” but most that undoubtedly are impacted and/or benefitted by it!).

The U.S. Department of Commerce estimates that by 2018 the U.S. will have more than 1.2 million unfilled STEM related jobs (engineers, IT experts, healthcare, scientists) because there will not be enough qualified workers to fill them.



# SCIENCE AND MATH ARE COOL AT CCH

Over 90% of AP Physics students regularly achieve a passing score of 3 or better on the AP test. Our Biology students have finished in the top 10 in the U.S. in the National Science Test Competition multiple times.

Every year, a significant percentage of our graduates major in the sciences at the college level including prestigious programs at Georgia Tech, Purdue University, University of Louisville Speed School, U.S. Naval Academy, and more.



AP Physics and Calculus combined have a 2-year pass rate of

**93%**

compared to KY = 53% and U.S. = 61%





100+

animals live in  
our science labs.



*The B.U.G. Club (Biology Users Group) provide daily care for the animals who are housed in the CCH biology lab.*



*Our students score significantly higher than the Kentucky and national averages on the Science and Math ACT scores.*



# ACADEMICS

## MATH DEPARTMENT

CovCath students test significantly higher than the state and global averages on the ACT/SAT math tests. CovCath has consistently had one of the highest pass rates in Kentucky on the AP Calculus test. Over the past five years, 93% of CCH students taking the AP Calculus test achieved a passing score of 3 or better with 60% receiving the highest possible score of 5. During this same time, only 17% of students in Kentucky and 18% of students globally earned a score of 5.

Incoming freshman students are placed in the appropriate math level based primarily on their scores on the HSPT. Students who have taken Algebra I as an 8th grader may take the Algebra II Honors Placement Exam in May. CovCath also offers Algebra I Honors to gifted 8th graders that are recommended by their partner grade schools. These students actually attend this math class at CCH and with successful completion, take Algebra II Honors as freshmen.

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## SOCIAL STUDIES

The Social Studies Department offers a wide range of courses designed to fulfill the state of Kentucky's three credit requirement for graduation. Many choose to earn college credits by taking one of the AP classes which include U.S. History, European History, World History, and Psychology. 91% of these students passed the AP exams offered in this department in 2017.

## ENGLISH COMP/LIT

The English Department at CovCath places an emphasis on teaching our students to be proficient writers and engaged readers. Four years of English Composition and Literature are offered in AP, Honors, CPI and CPII and students of all levels are entered into writing competitions throughout the year. After graduation, it is not uncommon for graduates to visit CCH and comment on how much stronger their writing skills are compared to their college peers

## FOREIGN LANGUAGES

In addition to developing a lifelong ability to communicate with diverse cultures, learning a second language will provide a competitive advantage in the work force. The pre-college curriculum includes two years of a world language. Covington Catholic offers:

- Spanish
- German
- Latin
- On-line cooperative French Program



CCH offers a challenging curriculum tailored to suit the needs of the individual student. Each student is placed in the environment in which he can learn the most at a level appropriate to his ability.

**Graduation Requirements**  
**26 credits**

- English - 4 credits
- Religion - 4 credits
- Social Studies - 3 credits
- Science - 3 credits
- Math - 3½ / 4 credits
- Electives - 6 / 6½ credits
- Fine Arts - 1 credit
- Physical Education - ½ credit
- Health - ½ credit

**Honors & AP**

Honors and Advanced Placement courses are available to students who seek a more rigorous course of study. Students are selected for freshman honors courses based on HSPT exam scores, previous standardized test scores and grades, and consultation with grade school administrators. Students are selected for subsequent honors and AP courses based on teacher recommendations.

**Academic Support**

The HSPT exam also identifies students that may benefit from taking the Academic Support Program (ASP), which is a class elective in which dedicated ASP teachers work with students to develop better study and organizational habits. The program is designed to help students succeed by providing them with modifications for and reinforcement of their regular classroom instruction.

**Unique Summer Educational Opportunities**

Covington Catholic students are often selected for prestigious academic and leadership programs including:

- Kentucky Governor’s Scholars Program (GSP) – a free, five-week residential program which also awards significant scholarships to state and regional universities. 19 CCH students attended GSP in 2015-2017.
- Kentucky Governor’s School for the Arts (GSA) and Governor’s School for Entrepreneurs (GSE) – free, multi-week residential programs which immerse students in these disciplines and also provide many scholarship opportunities. 7 CCH students were selected as participants or alternates for GSA/GSE in 2015-17.
- Other programs such as:
  - o U.S. Senate Page Program
  - o Northern Kentucky Chamber of Commerce Regional Youth Leadership Program
  - o U.S. Service Academy Summer Programs
  - o Kentucky Boys State and Boys Nation
  - o Academic camps at numerous colleges across the U.S.

# BY THE NUMBERS

## Tuition and Fees

The 2017-18 school year tuition is as follows:

- In-Diocese Annual Tuition is \$7,635
- Out-of-Diocese Annual Tuition is \$8,390
- Annual Book Fee of \$890 charged per family.
- Technology Fee is \$60 per family.
- Registration Fee of \$200 is due in March per student to register for the following school year.
- Athletic Participation Fee of \$150 per year for first athlete, \$100 per year for each additional athlete.
- CCH does not charge an additional cafeteria fee, fundraising fee, graduation fees, or retreat fee.
- Covington Catholic utilizes FACTS Management for tuition payment processing.

## Multi-Student Discounts

Covington Catholic offers families that have three or more sons at CCH at the same time, free tuition for the 3rd and 4th students! Covington Catholic and Notre Dame Academy offer a reciprocal discount for families that have students enrolled at both schools for the same school year. Details are outlined on the website.

**Tuition, fees and discounts are evaluated for each school year.**

## Tuition Assistance

Covington Catholic High School offers a tuition assistance program for families who qualify. These financial aid grants are combined with the work study program and can also be combined with an additional scholarship. During the 2017-2018 school year, approximately \$450,000 is committed for over 100 students in need.

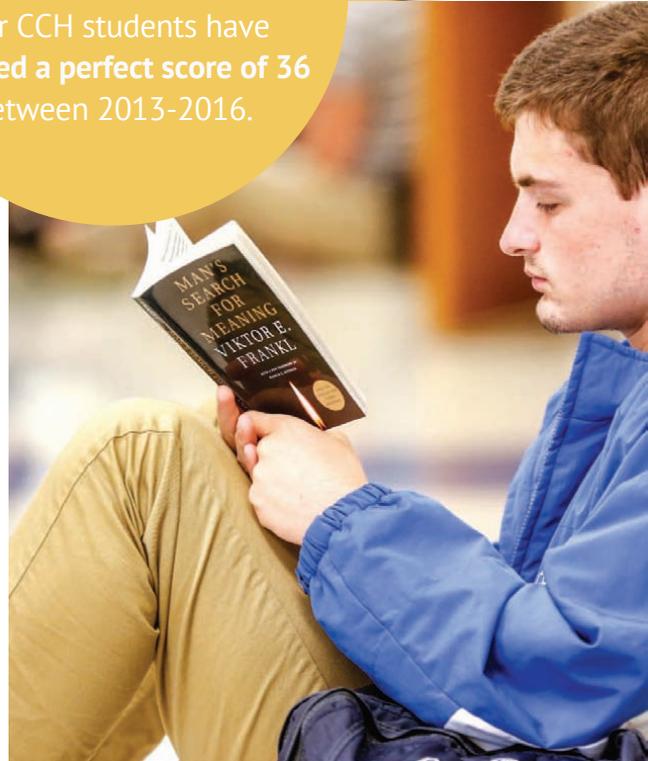
## Work Study Program

All students that receive tuition assistance are required to work after school for a designated number of hours based upon the amount of assistance received. These tasks range from general janitorial duties and landscape cleanup, to setting up the gymnasium for the weekly bingo fundraiser. Boys who wish to participate in sports programs after school have the opportunity to work their hours on Saturdays or during the summer months if they cannot complete them during the normal school year.



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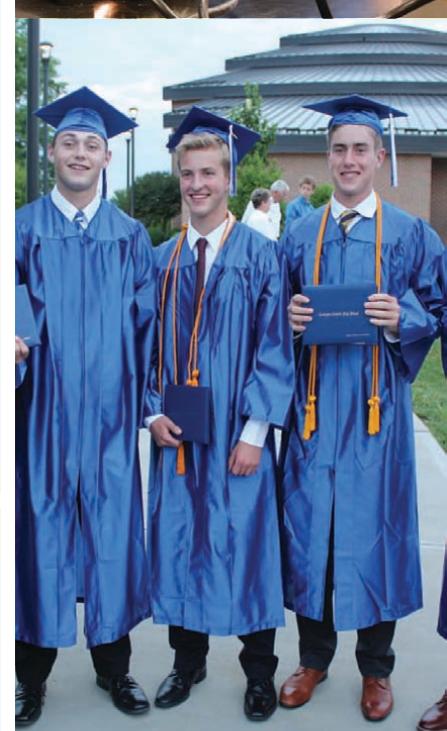
Four CCH students have received a perfect score of 36 between 2013-2016.





## ACT Results (2-year Average - Classes of 2016-17)

	English	Math	Reading	Science	Composite	Super Score
<b>CCH Average:</b>	26.9	25.5	26.9	25.7	25.8	26.3
<b>Top 5% of Students</b>	35.1	33.3	32.9	33.8	33.6	33.8
<b>Top 10% of Students</b>	32.9	32.6	31.6	32.3	32.0	32.3
<b>Top 25% of Students</b>	31.4	31.0	30.3	29.7	30.1	30.6
<b>Top 50% of Students</b>	29.5	28.8	28.9	28.0	28.2	28.8
<b>KY Average:</b>	19.7	19.3	20.6	19.9	20.0	
<b>National Average:</b>	20.1	20.6	21.3	20.8	20.8	



## Advanced Placement Test Results (Class of 2017)

Our Advanced Placement Courses produce results with very high rates of passage. There were 43 students in the Class of 2017 awarded as AP Scholars.

**16 AP Scholars with Distinction** – Achieved an average score of at least 3.5 on all AP exams and scores of 3 or better on five or more exams.

**15 AP Scholars with Honor** – Achieved an average score of at least 3.25 on all AP exams and scores of 3 or better on four or more exams.

**12 AP Scholars** – Achieved scores of 3 or better on three or more exams.

	Avg. Score	% scoring 3 or better
Calculus AB	4.20	95%
English Language	4.13	92%
English Literature	3.27	87%
European History	3.77	92%
Physics C	3.89	89%
Psychology	4.21	95%
Statistics	3.50	100%
US History	3.66	85%
World History	4.04	96%



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National Merit  
Semi-finalists  
2015-17

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Kentucky  
Governor's  
Scholars  
2015-17

# BE CREATI

## Music

Walk through the halls of CCH and you'll hear the soaring sound of the student musicians at work. With music professionals as teachers, students choose from a wide array of classes and groups that includes a jazz ensemble, concert band, pep band and more. The award winning Chamber Choir, chorus and band perform throughout the year at various concerts, Masses, and community events.

## Art

The art studio at Covington Catholic is filled with the creative energy of the students, in the disciplines of printmaking, painting, drawing, sculpture, photography, or more. Many CCH graduates have gone on to study art in college and pursued careers based on their positive experience in Mr. Hader's art classes.

## Drama

Covington Catholic and Notre Dame Academy together produce four theatrical productions throughout the school year. CCH young men have many opportunities to participate in these shows as performers, production staff, set and lighting designers, and musicians in the state-of-the-art Notre Dame Academy theatre.

## THE ARTS

*The Arts play a significant role in campus life at Covington Catholic. Whether you are an aspiring musician, actor, singer or artist, you'll discover exciting ways to explore your creativity. And, if you love seeing great plays, concerts and art exhibits, you'll find plenty to enjoy as well!*



# VE



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The goal of the Technology Department is to prepare all Covington Catholic students to be competent and confident in the use of technology for a wide array of applications and usages. We are committed to providing our students with current technology and classes that build essential technical skills, as well as exposing them to disciplines which may influence their future studies and career choices.

#### Features of our campus's overall technology capability:

- Large indoor/outdoor wireless footprint
- High Quality Learning Management System
- Each student has a personal wireless device for use in class
- Three 3D printers; a Phaser for graphic design; and Sharp Touchscreen Display, wireless TVs, and wireless projectors in classrooms.

#### Technology Course Offerings

Technology Applications and Communications (TAC) Class is required of all freshmen. This class currently focuses on keyboard proficiency and the use of common software involving spreadsheets, word processing, and presentations, and will also include the integration of technology to support student success.

Elective course offerings include multiple levels of Computer Programming, Computer Science, and Computer Aided Design (CAD) and 3-D Modeling

CovCath has transitioned to a 1:1 computing platform, with every student now possessing the same tablet device. Each teacher has been trained in utilizing the devices within their curriculum and teaching strategy. Per current research, the implementation of a 1:1 device program benefits the educational process and outcomes in many ways, and provides students with important skills that are fundamental in most university level environments and work-places today.

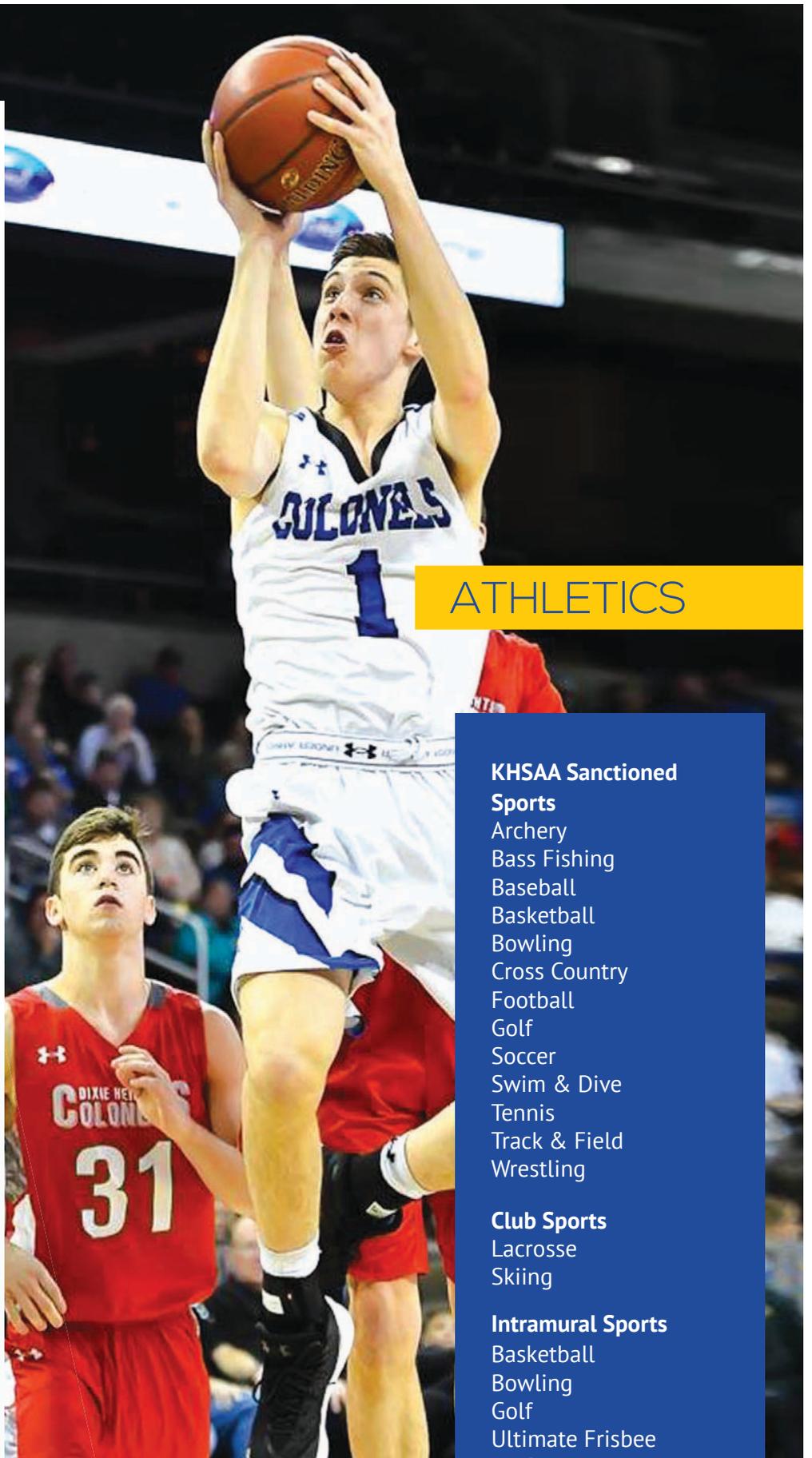


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Covington Catholic has a very generous Boosters Association that provides facilities, equipment and support for the athletic teams, greatly reducing the cost of participation for the student athletes.

Students who reside in Ohio and Indiana are eligible to participate at all levels on any of the athletic teams.

The new Yung Family Tennis Center and Dennis Griffin Athletic Stadium provide some of the best facilities in the area.



## ATHLETICS

### **KHSAA Sanctioned Sports**

- Archery
- Bass Fishing
- Baseball
- Basketball
- Bowling
- Cross Country
- Football
- Golf
- Soccer
- Swim & Dive
- Tennis
- Track & Field
- Wrestling

### **Club Sports**

- Lacrosse
- Skiing

### **Intramural Sports**

- Basketball
- Bowling
- Golf
- Ultimate Frisbee
- Wiffle Ball

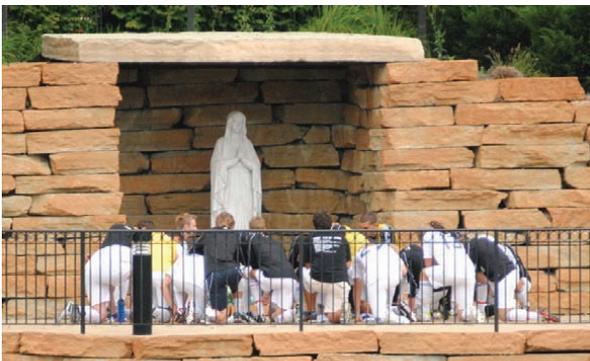
### **Intramurals at CCH**

Intramural Basketball (IBL) is the largest extra-curricular activity at CCH, with close to 2/3 of students participating every year. The CCH Intramural Bowling League is also very popular, with over 60 bowlers who ride “Big Blue” to the lanes every Wednesday in the fall in hopes of rolling strikes for their teams. Students also enjoy various Wiffle Ball and Ultimate Frisbee tournaments and events.



## THE BROTHERHOOD

No other school is as widely known for its school spirit as Covington Catholic! "With a Spirit that Will Not Die," the student body rallies around one another to show support for not only athletic events but academic and personal triumphs as well. The current student body comes from 50 different grade schools. The friendships made at CovCath last a lifetime. Be a part of the legacy 8,500 young men before you have experienced. **Be a Colonel!**



Everyone at Covcath stands for prayer and pledge of allegiance on a daily basis. Team prayer before games is an important part of our sports program.



## Q FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**Q: What is a typical day at Covington Catholic?**

**A:** The school building is open to students from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. each day. Routine class days begin with first bell at 7:50 a.m. and dismissal at 2:40 p.m. Most Wednesdays, the school day starts at 8:30 a.m. to allow for a faculty meeting or club meetings. The campus is just as busy after classes dismiss with the many athletic practices and extra-curricular activities available to the students.

**Q: Do I have to be Catholic to attend CCH?**

**A:** Covington Catholic welcomes students of all faiths and races to attend. The curriculum includes a Catholic religion class each of the four years and once a month a Mass is celebrated that all students attend.

**Q: Isn't CovCath just a sports school?**

**What's in it for me if I don't play sports?**

**A:** Covington Catholic is very proud of its athletic programs, but sports play only a part in the school's mission to educate young men spiritually, academically, physically and socially. With over 40 extra-curricular clubs and sports offered at Covington Catholic, every student has the opportunity to explore many interests, including drama, robotics, music, art, photography, academic clubs, and fun events like Ultimate Frisbee competitions. There are many stories of young men who find new and additional interests while at CovCath which they carry on to college and beyond.

**Q: What's the average class size?**

**A:** Taking in account the small class sizes of elective courses, the Student to Teacher ratio is 15 to 1.

**Q: I've heard that it's hard to play sports at CovCath. Is that true?**

**A:** No! In fact, 66% of students participate on an athletic team. Thirteen different sanctioned sports are offered, including a no-cut sport every season. Several sports are offered through the intramural program which includes basketball (which attracts hundreds of players per year), bowling, golf, wiffle ball, and ultimate frisbee.

**Q: Why is this significant investment in my son's education worthwhile?**

**A:** CCH strives to educate the whole person. Through the development of every student's spiritual, intellectual, moral, physical and creative potential, students are prepared for life beyond Covington Catholic. As a college preparatory school, students are provided with the tools to succeed in college. In fact, almost all students attend four-year colleges and universities each year. Many students take advantage of our AP courses to earn college credits while in high school, saving college tuition. Students who successfully complete the STEM classes may earn dual credit with select major universities. 95% of the Class of 2017 earned scholarships or grants totaling \$16.1 million.



## READY TO TAKE THE NEXT STEP?

Any young man interested in attending Covington Catholic is invited to complete the following steps required for registration:

### 1. Take the HSPT

The Diocese of Covington has established a Saturday in December for all Catholic high schools to administer the High School Placement Test. Exam registration information will be mailed in November to 8th graders from district parish schools and any other 8th grade family who has contacted CCH. Pre-registration by mail or online (including the test fee) is preferred, but walk-ins will be accepted. See [covcath.org/admissions](http://covcath.org/admissions) for details.

To be eligible for CCH merit scholarships, the test must be taken at CCH. While students take the test, parents are invited to stay for an informational session and continental breakfast.

### 2. Be “A Colonel for A Day”

8th grade boys are invited and encouraged to spend a typical school day shadowing a CCH student. Sit in on classes, eat lunch in the cafeteria, and get the real feel of what being a Colonel is like. Contact the Admissions Director, Mr. Tony Barczak at (859) 448-2257, to schedule a visit by yourself or with friends.

### 3. Receive HSPT Scores and Course Recommendation

Scores from the HSPT along with suggested class placement will be distributed to families at a Parent Meeting in early January to explain the test results and to announce the recipients of the merit scholarships. A student's placement is determined by:

- High School Placement Test (HSPT)
- 8th grade standardized test results
- Grades from the 6th, 7th & 8th grades
- Recommendations from grade school teachers

### 4. Submit Registration Materials

The registration form and a non-refundable registration fee is due in late February. Late registrations will be accepted, however there is a late fee.



BE A PART OF THE BROTHERHOOD.  
BE A COLONEL.



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Knowing that boys learn differently than girls, our faculty tailors their curriculum to make learning interesting. At Covington Catholic, we let boys be boys as they grow into successful, Christian young men.

For more information please visit  
our website at [www.covcath.org](http://www.covcath.org)

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**Be a Colonel... You're worth it!**

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