



# ST. EDWARD HIGH SCHOOL

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## SCHOOL PROFILE 2023 – 2024

### ST. EDWARD HIGH SCHOOL

St. Edward High School, a Catholic school in the Holy Cross tradition, educates the hearts and minds of a diverse group of young men to have the competence to see and the courage to act as men of hope for the transformation of the world.

We believe in: **faith**, formation of young men in the Holy Cross tradition; **excellence**, an ongoing commitment to excellence in academic and co-curricular programs; **relationships**, a welcoming family-oriented school community that fosters relationships; and, **servant leadership**, a Christ-like commitment to genuine leadership through service to others.

### SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY

Founded in 1949 by the Brothers of Holy Cross, St. Edward High School is a private Catholic institution of approximately 970 young men in grades nine through twelve, with a senior class of 208. Our location in a richly diverse, inner-ring suburb of Cleveland affords the students tremendous resources and opportunities for growth, learning, and service. St. Edward High School students hail from a wide swath of Northeastern Ohio, often from at least 7 counties, some from a distance of more than forty miles. The majority of students come from Catholic elementary schools with others from public and private elementary, junior high, and middle schools, 211 schools in all. The student body includes students of all races, faiths, and economic strata. Roughly 24% are first generation, and 25% students of color.

### TEACHING FACULTY AND ACCREDITATION

The faculty consists of 65 teachers, all of whom exceed the professional standards set by the Ohio Department of Education. Seventy percent hold graduate degrees. The student/teacher ratio is 10:1. In the Spring of 2022, St. Edward High School earned an accreditation from the Independent Schools Association of the Central States (ISACS). St. Edward High School met all ISACS Standards of Membership, conducted a comprehensive and thorough self-study in which all aspects of the school's program and practices have been disclosed and reviewed, and was visited by a team consisting of ISACS peer teachers and administrators for the purpose of observing congruence between mission and programs. ISACS recognizes St. Edward High School's commitment to the value of independent school education. St. Edward High School is also accredited by the Ohio Catholic Schools Accrediting Association (OCSAA).

### INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE

St. Edward High School is an authorized IB World School, one of the world's most respected pre-university courses of study. The IB Diploma Programme includes external assessments of academic work, independent research culminating in an Extended Essay (EE) of 10 single-spaced pages on the subject, as well as co-curricular requirements (CAS) in the arts (Creativity), sports (Action), and service (Service). In addition to their 6 chosen courses, students take a Theory of Knowledge (TOK) course as well as Theology class each semester. External exam assessments cap this holistic program at the end of senior year. IB Diplomas are recognized globally as the most rigorous course of study.

### PRE-ENGINEERING, ENTREPRENEURSHIP & FILM PROGRAMS

The **St. Edward Engineering** program offers a rigorous four-year curriculum that focuses on the Engineering Design Cycle: Research, Design, Application, Evaluation. Our program engages students across multiple Engineering facets, including but not limited to: 2D CAD, 3D CAD, microcontroller programming, PCB design, game development, and product design and manufacturing. Students will have access to premier spaces that house top end PC's as well as manufacturing tools such as: 3D printers, laser engraver, CNC, lathe, and welding.

The **St. Edward Business & Entrepreneurship** program has grown tremendously since its inception during the 2008 school year. For the second consecutive year, the number of students in the business program through its Introductory, advanced, and IB Business Management courses will include more than half of the student body. Students who take business or related classes for three years will graduate with a distinction in Business and Entrepreneurship. The department prides itself on providing real world and current experiences that will foster students' growth and thinking in an entrepreneurial way.

The **St. Edward Film Department** offers seven courses that train students in cutting-edge visual storytelling techniques using the best prosumer-level filmmaking hardware and software available. Since 2012, St. Edward film courses have asked students to collaborate to tell stories that amplify voices in the broader Cleveland community. Our annual IB Film documentary project has forged partnerships with organizations including Cleveland Catholic Charities, the Cleveland Rape Crisis Center, and Northeast Ohio Coalition for the Homeless, among others, and our students' films have won awards from the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences and the Cleveland International Film Festival.

#### ADMINISTRATION

**President**  
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### Graduation Requirements for the Class of 2024

Total of 24 credits required

English	4.00 credits
Social Studies	3.00 credits
Mathematics	3.00 credits
Science	3.50 credits
Language	Completion of Level 3
Religious Education	4.00 credits
Fine Arts	0.50 credit
Health	0.50 credit
Physical Education	0.50 credit or exemption
Completion of community service requirements & senior project	

### Class Rank

It is the policy of St. Edward High School not to rank students.

### Grading System

St. Edward High School uses the letter grading system. The lowest indication of passing work is a mark of D- (60%). A student receives credit on the basis of the final semester grade. All final grades, whether passing or failing, are recorded. All final grades are used for computing the grade point average except those given for physical education, remedial summer school courses, and any class not taken at St. Edward. Students receive a weighted grade for Honors, AP, and IB courses.

Letter Grade	Percent Equivalent	Quality Points		
		AP & IB	Honors	Regular
A+	97-100	5.3	4.8	4.3
A	93-96	5.0	4.5	4.0
A-	90-92	4.7	4.2	3.7
B+	87-89	4.3	3.8	3.3
B	83-86	4.0	3.5	3.0
B-	80-82	3.7	3.2	2.7
C+	77-79	3.3	2.8	2.3
C	73-76	3.0	2.5	2.0
C-	70-72	2.7	2.2	1.7
D+	67-69	1.3	1.3	1.3
D	63-66	1.0	1.0	1.0
D-	60-62	0.7	0.7	0.7
F	0-59	0.0	0.0	0.0

P = Credit earned but not included in GPA

### Class of 2024 GPA Distribution after six semesters

208 students  
Median GPA=3.6

GPA Range	#	%
4.00 - 4.76	61	29
3.75 - 3.99	22	11
3.50 - 3.74	26	13
3.25 - 3.49	28	14
3.00 - 3.24	30	14
2.75 - 2.99	14	7
2.50 - 2.74	8	4
2.25 - 2.49	7	3
2.00 - 2.24	7	3
1.47 - 1.99	5	2

### SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

- Freshmen: 5 hours per semester; 10 total per year. At least half of their hours should be done at St. Ed's-based services (Labre Ministry with the homeless, Community Meal, Produce Distribution, Giving Garden, etc.)
- Sophomores: 5 hours per semester; 10 total per year. At least half of their hours should be at a community agency, non-profit, or church.
- Juniors: 7 hours per semester; 14 total per year. Most of their hours will be at a community agency, non-profit, or church.
- Seniors: 10 hours per semester; 20 hours per year. All of their hours (if possible) will be done at the same agency or non-profit.

### IB Results for the Class of 2023

St. Edward's IB Diploma Program is the largest in the state of Ohio. All 10 cohorts of the IBDP have exceeded the International IBD pass rate.

In the class of 2023, 36 students earned the IB Diploma. 206 students sat for 569 IB exams in all.

Number of IB Diploma Candidates: 39

SEHS IB Diploma Pass Rate **92.3%**

SEHS Average IB Diploma Score 29

SEHS Average grade obtained by IBD students who passed the diploma  
4.7

The international IBD pass rate was 79% this year; the minimum score to pass is 24.

### Advanced Placement Testing Class of 2023

In May 2023, 149 students sat for 387 examinations in 8 subject areas with 47% of the scores a 3 or higher.

### Class of 2023 Placement (210 Graduates)

Category	Number	Percent
<b>Total College</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>100</b>
4 Yr. Public In-State College	103	49
4 Yr. Public Out-of-State College	16	7.6
4 Yr. Private In-State College	58	27.6
4 Yr. Private Out-of-State College	25	12
2 Yr. Private College	0	0
2 Yr. Public College	8	3.8
Gap Year – Junior Hockey/Military/ Employment/Unknown	0	0
<b>Total Graduates</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>100%</b>

## St. Edward High School Curricular Offerings for 2023-2024

- Students must receive approval from the appropriate academic department to take honors or Advanced Placement courses.
- IB Diploma Candidates must receive approval from the IB Coordinator to participate in the IB Diploma Programme.
- All honors, Advanced Placement, and International Baccalaureate courses receive a weighted grade. All students enrolled in IB and AP courses are required to take the examinations and assessments.

Course Type	International Baccalaureate	Advanced Placement	Honors
Number of courses offered	24	7	17

### English

IB Literature HL  
 IB Language & Literature HL  
 AP English Literature & Composition  
 AP English Language & Composition  
 Honors English 1-2  
 English 1-4  
 African American Literature  
 Creative Writing  
 Film Studies  
 Public Speaking  
 Voices of the Other (LGBTQ+ Literature)  
 Reading Development

### Social Studies

IB History of the Americas HL  
 IB 20th Century World History HL  
 IB 20th Century World History SL  
 IB Business Management HL  
 IB Business Management SL  
 AP U.S. Government & Politics  
 AP U.S. History  
 AP Macroeconomics & Microeconomics  
 Honors American Studies & Government  
 Honors World History  
 American Government  
 US History  
 World History  
 Economics  
 African American History  
 Law  
 Model United Nations 1  
 Business and Entrepreneurship  
 Advanced Business and Entrepreneurship  
 Advanced Corporate & Personal Finance

### Mathematics

IB Mathematics HL  
 IB Mathematics SL  
 AP Calculus AB  
 AP Computer Science Principles  
 Honors Precalculus  
 Honors Algebra 2  
 Honors Geometry with Precalculus  
 Pre-Calculus  
 Trigonometry and Math Topics  
 Algebra 2  
 Advanced Algebra 1/Accelerated Geometry  
 Geometry with Statistics  
 Geometry  
 Algebra 1

### Science

IB Physics HL  
 IB Physics SL  
 IB Chemistry HL  
 IB Chemistry SL  
 IB Biology SL  
 IB Design Technology HL  
 IB Design Technology SL  
 Honors Chemistry  
 Honors Biology  
 Physics  
 Chemistry  
 Biology  
 Anatomy & Physiology  
 Sports Medicine  
 Physical Science

### Language Acquisition

IB French HL  
 IB French SL  
 IB Latin SL  
 IB Spanish SL  
 Honors French 1-2  
 Honors Latin 1-3  
 Honors Spanish 1-3  
 French 1-2  
 Latin 1-3  
 Spanish 1-4

### Pre-Engineering

IB Design Technology HL  
 IB Design Technology SL  
 Advanced Engineering 1 & 2  
 Intermediate Engineering 1 & 2  
 Fundamentals of Engineering  
 Fundamentals of Engineering Design  
 Fundamentals of Computer Engineering  
 Independent Study in Robotics

### Technology

IB Computer Science SL  
 AP Computer Science Principles  
 Fundamentals of Game Design  
 Independent Study in Computer Science

### Theology

Jesus in Scripture  
 Who is Jesus Christ?  
 The Paschal Mystery  
 Christ's Mission in the Church  
 Sacraments  
 Morality  
 Social Issues  
 World Religions

### Fine Arts

IB Film Studies HL  
 IB Visual Arts SL  
 IB Music Perspectives SL  
 Introduction to Visual Storytelling  
 Digital Cinema 1  
 Sports Documentary  
 Introduction to Pottery and Sculpture  
 Advanced Pottery  
 Advanced Sculpture  
 Introduction to Drawing & Design  
 Painting  
 Advanced Painting  
 Advertising and Design  
 Sports Art  
 Advanced Sports Art  
 Portfolio Preparation  
 Choir  
 Jazz Combo  
 Jazz Ensemble  
 Marching Band  
 String Orchestra  
 Symphonic Band  
 Electronic Music Production  
 Music Theory  
 Independent Study in Music  
 Technical Theater (Independent Study)  
 Theatrical Performance (Independent Study)

### Physical Education

Health  
 Physical Education  
 Strength & Conditioning

### IB Theory of Knowledge

# ST. EDWARD HIGH SCHOOL

## COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY ACCEPTANCES 2019–2023

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Adrian College	Cleveland State University	Hamilton College	The New School - Eugene Lang	Spring Hill College
The University of Akron	Coastal Carolina University	Hampton University	College of Liberal Arts	University of St Andrews
The University of Alabama	Colgate University	Hanover College	New York Institute of Technology	St. Bonaventure University
Alabama A&M University	University of Colorado	Harvard College	New York University	St. Edward's University
Alfred University	Colorado College	Haverford College	Niagra University	St. John's University
Allegheny College	Colorado School of Mines	Heidelberg University	North Carolina State University	St. Lawrence University
American University	Colorado State University	Hiram College	University of North Dakota	St. Mary's College of Maryland
Arizona State University	Columbia University	Hobart and William Smith Colleges	Northeastern University	Stonehill College
The University of Arizona	Columbus College of Art & Design	Holy Cross College	Northwestern University	SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry
Ashland University	Concordia University	College of the Holy Cross	University of Notre Dame	SUNY Albany, Buffalo, Oswego, Purchase
Auburn University	Cornell University	Howard University	Notre Dame College of Ohio	Syracuse University
Baldwin Wallace University	Creighton University	University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign	Nova Southeastern University	Temple University
Ball State University	The Culinary Institute of America	University of Illinois Chicago	Oberlin College and Conservatory	The University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Bellarmino University	University of the Cumberland	Illinois Institute of Technology	Ohio Northern University	Texas A&M University
Belmont University	Dartmouth College	Indiana Institute of Technology	The Ohio State University	Texas Christian University
Bentley University	Davidson College	Indiana University Bloomington	Ohio University	The University of Texas at Dallas
Boston College	University of Dayton	Indiana University-Purdue University, Indianapolis	Ohio Wesleyan University	Thomas Aquinas College
Boston University	University of Delaware	The University of Iowa	The University of Oklahoma	University of Toledo
Bowling Green State University	Denison University	Iowa State University	Oklahoma State University	University of Toronto
Brandeis University	University of Denver	Ithaca College	Otterbein University	Transylvania University
Brigham Young University-Idaho	DePaul University	John Carroll University	Pace University	Trinity College in Dublin
Brown University	University of Detroit Mercy	Johns Hopkins University	University of Pennsylvania	Tulane University
Bucknell University	Drexel University	The University of Kansas	The Pennsylvania State University	United States Air Force Academy
Butler University	Duke University	Kent State University	University of Pittsburgh	United States Military Academy
California Polytechnic State University	Duquesne University	University of Kentucky	Politecnico di Torino	United States Naval Academy
California State University Los Angeles	East Carolina University	Kenyon College	Princeton University	Valparaiso University
California University of Pennsylvania	Eastern Kentucky University	Kettering University	Purdue University	Vanderbilt University
University of California, Berkeley	Eastern Michigan University	King's College	Reed College	Vassar College
University of California, Irvine	Eckerd College	Lafayette College	Regis University	Villanova University
University of California, Santa Cruz	Edinboro University of Pennsylvania	Lake Erie College	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	University of Virginia
Canisius College	The University of Edinburgh	Louisiana State University	Rhode Island School of Design	Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Capital University	Elon University	University of Louisville	Rice University	Wake Forest University
Carnegie Mellon University	Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University	Loyola Marymount University	University of Richmond	Walsh University
Carroll College	Emerson College	Loyola University Chicago	University of Rochester	Washington & Jefferson College
Carthage College	Emory University	Loyola University Maryland	Rochester Institute of Technology	Washington University in St. Louis
Case Western Reserve University	Fairfield University	Marietta College	Saint Francis University	University of Washington Tacoma
The Catholic University of America	Ferris State University	Marquette University	Saint Joseph's University	Wentworth Institute of Technology
University of Central Florida	University of Findlay	University of Maryland	Saint Louis University	West Virginia University
Central Michigan University	University of Florida	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	Saint Vincent College	Western Michigan University
Centre College	Florida Atlantic University	Mercyhurst University	Savannah College of Art and Design	College of William & Mary
Champlain College	Florida Gulf Coast University	Merrimack College	School of the Art Institute of Chicago	Williams College
Chapman University	Florida Institute of Technology	University of Miami	Seton Hall University	The University of Wisconsin-Madison
College of Charleston	Florida International University	Miami University	Seton Hill University	Wittenberg University
University of Chester	Florida Southern College	University of Michigan	Skidmore College	The College of Wooster
The University of Chicago	Fordham University	Michigan State University	Slippery Rock University	Worcester Polytechnic University
University of Cincinnati	Gannon University	University of Minnesota Twin Cities	University of South Carolina	Xavier University
The Citadel	George Mason University	Mississippi State University	University of South Florida	Yale University
Claremont McKenna College	The George Washington University	University of Missouri	University of Southern California	Yale-NUS College
Clark University	Georgetown University	Montana State University	South Dakota School of Mines and Technology	Youngstown State University
Clarkson University	University of Georgia	Morehouse College	Southern Methodist University	
Clemson University	Georgia Institute of Technology	Mount St. Joseph University		
Cleveland Institute of Art	Gettysburg College	University of Mount Union		
	University of Glasgow	Muskingum University		
	Goucher College	New College of Florida		