



COLE VALLEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS

High School Profile | 2015-16

Cole Valley Christian Schools (CVCS) is a Pre-Kindergarten through 12th grade private, Christian school with nearly 900 students on three campuses. The Secondary Campus located in Meridian, Idaho, houses grades 7-12. The four-year senior high's current enrollment is approximately 260 students. Founded in 1972, the school is a ministry of Cole Community Church with a student body representing over 100 churches from throughout the Treasure Valley.

STAFF: Thirty-four full-time and part-time high school teachers. Academic guidance and post-secondary planning services are provided by the Director of Counseling, a part-time Academic Advisor and a part-time College and Career Advisor. Student Academic Services staff members assist students with certain learning challenges. A school nurse and support staff round out the educational team.

ACCREDITATION: Cole Valley Christian Schools is fully accredited by the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI) and the Northwest Accreditation Commission (NWAC)/AdvancEd.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

Cole Valley Christian Schools meets or exceeds all requirements for graduation in the State of Idaho. The curriculum is college preparatory in nature and provides a solid foundation for postsecondary study.

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| English/Literature | 8 | Physical Education | 2 |
| Mathematics | 8 | College/Career Prep | 1 |
| Science* | 6 | Health | 1 |
| History/Government/Economics | 8 | Speech | 1 |
| Bible** | 2-8 | Electives | 7+ |
| *8 science credits are recommended **1 credit for each semester at CVCS is required 50 total credits are required for graduation | | | |

ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) COURSES: AP Chemistry and AP Physics are offered on alternative years at CVCS. AP Literature and AP Language are offered yearly. Honors students may sit for AP exams in all other subject areas at their respective public high school (see AP Testing for results).

HONORS COURSES: The following classes are available to students who have demonstrated academic excellence in prerequisite courses. Honors course grades are not weighted.

- Honors English (9th/10th grades)
- Honors Geometry
- Honors Algebra 2
- Honors American Government
- Honors Biology
- Pre-Calculus
- Calculus
- Honors Chemistry

CONCURRENT CREDIT COURSES: Students at Cole Valley Christian Schools have an opportunity to earn university credit through both Northwest Nazarene University (NNU) and College of Western Idaho (CWI) for selected courses administered through NNU and CWI but taught at CVCS.

NNU Concurrent Credit Courses:

- BIOL2220 – General Biology 1 (3 credits)
- BIOL2220L – General Biology Lab (1 credit)
- MATH1300 – College Algebra (3 credits)
- MATH1400 – Trigonometry (3 credits)
- MATH2510 – Calculus 1 (4 credits)
- POLS1010 – American National Politics (3 credits)

CWI Concurrent Credit Courses:

- CISA101 – Computer Applications (3 credits)
- COMM101 – Speech (3 credits)
- HIST101 – Western Civilization (3 credits)
- HIST111 – United States History 1 (3 credits)

ELECTIVES: Elective course offerings are reevaluated each year. The following electives are offered for the 2015-2016 school year:

Arts – Art 1 & 2, Band, Choir, Theater Production, Yearbook: Photography and Graphic Design

Domestic Skills

Foreign Language – French 1, 2 and 3; Spanish 1, 2 and 3

Science – AP Chemistry, AP Physics, Applied Science, Chemistry, College Biology, Honors Biology, Honors Chemistry, Human Anatomy & Physiology, Physics, Robotics

Math – Calculus, Personal Finance, Precalculus, Statistics, Trigonometry & Advanced Algebra

Computer – Introduction to Web Design, Introduction to Programming, Advanced Programming, Comp TIAA, Certified Help Desk (prerequisite: Comp TIAA)

Physical Education – PE, Strength and Conditioning

Teacher's Aide and Office Aide

GRADING: CVCS grades on a 4-point scale and does not weight AP, Honors, or Concurrent Credit courses.

Grading Scale: A+ (98-100), A (93-97), A- (90-92), B+ (87-89), B (83-86), B- (80-82), C+ (77-79), C (73-76), C- (70-72), D+ (67-69), D (63-66), D- (60-62), F (59 and below)

SENIOR ACHIEVEMENTS: Historically, 90% of CVCS graduates plan to attend college after graduation, well above national and state averages. Additionally, CVCS seniors consistently earn recognition in the National Merit Scholarship Competition.

TEST DATA: Students at CVCS consistently score above national, state, and local averages on standardized tests.

AP TESTING: Over the past four years, over 71% of CVCS students taking AP exams earned a score of 3 or higher on one or more exams.

ACT ASSESSMENT: This is a group of tests required or recommended by most colleges as part of the admission process. The four curriculum-based tests measure academic achievement in the areas of English, Mathematics, Reading, and Science as well as an optional Writing Test. ACT scores range from 1-36.

ACT Composite Mean Scores

| Graduating Class | CVCS | Idaho | National |
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| 2009 | 23.3 | 21.6 | 21.1 |
| 2010 | 23.6 | 21.8 | 21.0 |
| 2011 | 23.5 | 21.7 | 21.1 |
| 2012 | 24.1 | 21.6 | 21.1 |
| 2013 | 24.1 | 22.1 | 20.9 |
| 2014 | 23 | 22.4 | 21 |
| 2015 | 24 | 22.7 | 21 |



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