

CRESSET CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

SCHOOL PROFILE 2018-2019



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The mission of Cresset Christian Academy is to cultivate the heart of each student—to educate, nurture, and to help shape their characters in a Christ-centered environment grounded in the Truth of God’s Word.

SCHOOL

Cresset Christian Academy is dedicated to the purpose of reaching young men and women for Christ and training them to serve Him. The Academy is one of the ministries of Cresset Baptist Church and shares the same facilities. Since the Academy’s beginning in 1975, it has grown from an enrollment of 60 students to the present student body of 218 students in prekindergarten through grade twelve.

Cresset offers a well-rounded Christian education for the youth of 7 NC counties and as many as 36 foreign countries. The high school is a discipleship model college-preparatory program.

STAFF

There are currently 38 members of the Cresset Christian Academy teaching and administrative staff, with at least 42% holding advanced degrees.

ACCREDITATION

CCA (PK-12) is fully accredited by Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (AdvancED) and Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI).

COURSES

Academic classes meet for 36 weeks, 5 days per week. The year-long courses are 40 minutes per period. One unit of credit represents one successfully completed academic course.

GRADING SCALE

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Grade		Standard	Honors	AP	
90-100	A	Excellent	4.0	5.0	6.0
80-89	B	Very Good	3.0	4.0	5.0
70-79	C	Satisfactory	2.0	3.0	4.0
60-69	D	Passing	1.0	2.0	3.0
0-59	F	Failing	0	0	0

STUDENT BODY QUICK FACTS

School	Grade	Population
Pre-Kindergarten	Infant—PK4	58
Lower School	Kindergarten—5th	52
Middle School	6th—8th	45
Upper School	9th—12th	63

Total CCA Student Body—218
Graduating Class of 2018—22

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION

Biblical Studies	4 credits
English	4 credits
Science	3 credits
Social Studies	3 credits
Mathematics	4 credits
Foreign Language	2 credits
Fine Arts	2 credits
Health and PE	1 credit
Electives	5 credits

In addition to academic classes, each student is required to complete 36 hours of community service annually.

HONORS AND ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES

Students have the option to participate in Honors Courses in grades 9-12 and Advanced Placement (AP) Courses in grades 11-12. (See side 2 for course list.)

Grade	Honors	AP
9	56%	
10	78%	
11	77%	72%
12	73%	75%

ANNUAL TESTING

Grades 1-9	TerraNova Achievement Tests
Grade 10	PSAT
Grade 11	PSAT required; SAT or ACT recommended
Grade 12	SAT or ACT strongly recommended

STANDARDIZED TESTING RESULTS (SAT)

CLASS OF 2018			CLASS OF 2017			CLASS OF 2016			CLASS OF 2015		
Category	Average	Range	Category	Average	Range	Category	Average	Range	Category	Average	Range
New EBRW	500	390-680	New EBRW	550	430-590	Reading	600	430-730	Reading	600	380-730
New Math	550	310-780	New Math	600	550-640	Math	540	370-620	Math	636	460-750
Total	1150		Total	1150	980-1230	Writing	555	400-620	Writing	551	360-710
						Total	1694		Total	1787	

COLLEGE PREPATORY COURSE OFFERINGS

Mathematics	World History
Advanced Math with Trigonometry	Fine Arts
Algebra I	Art Media I
Algebra II	Art Media II
Geometry	Photography
Pre-Calculus	Foreign Language
Science	Spanish I
Biology	Spanish II
Chemistry	Spanish III
Physical Science	Spanish IV
English	Biblical Studies
Comparative Literature	Bible 9
Creative Writing	Bible 10
Literary Analysis and Composition	Bible 11
Social Studies	Bible 12
US Government	Worldview
US History	

HONORS COURSE OFFERINGS

Mathematics	World History
Algebra II	Fine Arts
Geometry	Art Media I
Pre-Calculus	Art Media II
Science	Photography
Biology	Foreign Language
Chemistry	Spanish II
Physics	Spanish III
Physical Science	Spanish IV
Psychology	Latin I
English	
Comparative Literature	
Literary Analysis and Composition	
Social Studies	
US Government	
US History	

AP COURSE OFFERINGS

Mathematics
Calculus AB
Calculus BC
Statistics
Fine Arts
Studio Art 2D and 3D
English
Literature and Composition
Language and Composition

ATHLETICS

Cresset is a member of the NCISSA. Teams are formed based on student interest.

Basketball	Track
Cross Country	Ultimate Frisbee
Soccer	Volleyball

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Students have the opportunity to participate in the following programs during and after school.

Academy Singers	Drama Productions	Robotics
Chapel	Musicals	Student Council
Concert Choir	National Honor Society	

COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES

Virtually 100% of each senior class pursue postsecondary education with over 80% typically attending four-year institutions. Colleges that students have attended include the following (with the past 5 years of graduates indicated in bold):

Alamance Community College	Duke University	Illinois Institute of Technology	Purdue University	University of Ireland-Maynooth
American University	Durham Tech Community College	Lee University	Queen's College	University of Lyon, in Lyon, France
Appalachian State University	East Carolina University	Lees-McRae College	Queen's University Ontario	University of Miami
Art Institute of Chicago	East Coast Bible College	Liberty University	Radford University	University of Minnesota
Atlantic Christian College	Eastern College	Louisburg College	Rowan University	University of Pennsylvania
Asuza Pacific University	Eastern State University	Lynchburg College	Rochester Institute of Technology	University of Pittsburgh
Baptist College of Charleston	Elizabeth City State University	Mansfield University	Samford University	University of Richmond
Barton College	Elon University	Marion Military Institute	Savannah College of Art and Design	University of South Carolina
Baylor University	Emmanuel College	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	Southeast Baptist College	University of Tennessee-Knoxville
Belmont Abbey	Emmaus Bible College	Mercer University	Southern Adventist University	University of Toronto
Belmont University	Emporia State University	Meredith University	St. Andrews Presbyterian College	University of Washington-Seattle
Bennett College for Women	Florida State University	Methodist University	St. Louis University	United States Naval Academy
Birmingham-Southern College	Florida International University	Montreat College	Stanford University	Valley Forge Military College
Bob Jones University	Freewill Baptist Bible College	Mt. Olive College	Taylor University	Vance-Granville Community College
Boyce College	Gardner-Webb University	New York University	UNC-Asheville	Virginia Polytechnic Institute
Calvin College	Georgetown University	North Carolina A & T State University	UNC-Chapel Hill	Wake Forest University
Campbell University	Georgia Institute of Technology	North Carolina Central University	UNC-Charlotte	Wake Technical Community College
Carson Newman College	Grove City College	North Carolina State University	UNC-Greensboro	Watts School of Nursing
Christopher Newport University	Guilford College	North Carolina Wesleyan College	UNC-Pembroke	Wesleyan College
Clemson University	Hampton University	Oral Roberts University	UNC-Wilmington	West Virginia Wesleyan
Coastal Carolina Community College	Harding University	Pennsylvania State University	University of Arizona	Western Carolina University
Columbia International University	High Point University	Pensacola Christian College	University of Arkansas-Fayetteville	Wingate University
Columbia Union College	Houghton College	Pfeiffer College	University of Colorado-Boulder	Winston-Salem State University
Converse College	Howard University	Piedmont Community College	University of Delaware	Wofford College
Danville Regional Medical Center	Indiana University	Piedmont International University	University of Detroit-Mercy	
Davidson College	IntraMed Institute	Potomac State College	University of Georgia-Athens	