

Christian Brothers Academy

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National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence



Best #1

Best #1 Catholic High School in Upstate New York *Niche.com*

CBA students outperform the average on all Regents exams

87

Students earned AP Scholar Awards

4

AP courses taken on average

150

College representatives visit campus each year to recruit students

15%

Average standardized test scores are in the top 15% of all high schools in the country

2020-2021 CBA by the Numbers

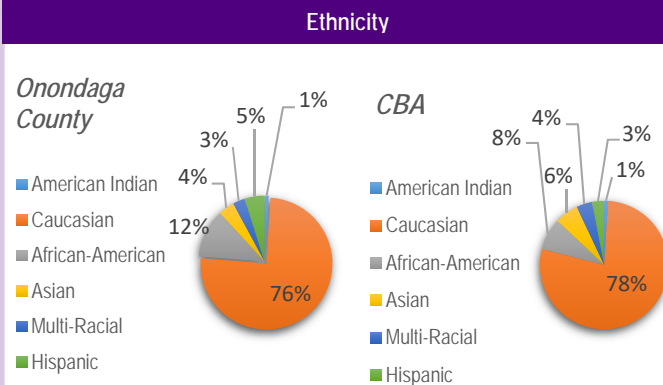
Overview

Christian Brothers Academy, founded in 1900 as a Lasallian, Catholic college preparatory high school for boys is now a premiere coeducational 7-12 college preparatory school serving Syracuse and the Central New York region. In the tradition of Lasallian education, all students nurture belief in the living presence of God in our world, develop care and concern for social justice, demonstrate respect for all persons and are immersed in quality education within an inclusive community.

Chartered by the New York State Board of Regents, the school is a member of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, the Christian Brothers Educational Association, and the National Secondary School Principals' Association.

Enrollment Grades 7-12 and Student Body

- 250 Junior High
525 High School Students
- 55 percent male and 45 percent female
- In 2020-2021, 42% of CBA students received more than \$1.4 million in need-based financial aid



Pandemic Response

In March 2020, as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, CBA transitioned to a fully remote learning platform for the remainder of the school year. CBA maintained its rigorous college-preparatory program. Students were provided with technology, as needed, to ensure equity of access to participate in online learning. Remote learning consisted of synchronous and asynchronous methods with mandatory student-to-teacher virtual contact and exams administered using an assessment software program. Grading remained intact according to past practice. CBA continues to demonstrate leadership, holding students to high academic standards, while remaining responsive and compassionate to the logistical and emotional needs of our students through hybrid and remote learning.

Academic Overview

- The school year is divided into two semesters comprised of six marking periods of approximately six weeks in length.
- The school day is divided into eight instructional periods of 40 minutes each.
- The school operates on a six-day rotating schedule. Major subjects (English, Math, Science, Social Studies, and World Language) meet daily.
- Students take midterm and final exams at the end of each semester.

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CBA Graduation Requirements

- Credits:**
- English..... 4
 - Mathematics..... 4*
 - Science..... 3*
 - Social Studies.... 4
 - World Languages...2*
 - Religion..... 3
(¾ credit earned each year)
 - Physical Education.2
(½ credit earned each year)
 - Fine Arts..... 1
 - Health..... ½
 - Writing..... ½
 - Electives..... 4

**Credits must be earned in the high school regardless of level*

- CBA students must earn:
- 7¼ credits in Freshman year
 - 7¼ credits in Sophomore year
 - 7¼ credits in Junior year and
 - 6¼ credits in Senior year

Christian Service

Students are required to complete a minimum of 32 hours of Christian service during their senior year.

PROGRAM OF STUDIES

All core subject area courses at CBA are taught at a college preparatory level. Honors and AP courses are offered in all core subjects.

Students are placed into Honors and AP courses based on their performance in the previous course, motivation, and ability. Teacher recommendation and approval is required for all AP courses. Students may not take more than five (5) AP courses per academic year.

Elective Courses

- AP Art History
- AP Biology
- AP Chemistry
- AP Environmental Science
- AP European History
- AP French Language
- AP Microeconomics
- AP Macroeconomics
- AP Physics C
- AP Spanish Language
- AP Spanish Literature
- Advanced Studio Art
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Ceramics I and II
- Communications
- Creative Writing
- Digital Storytelling
- Engineering I and II
- Forensic Science
- French 4H
- Introduction to Business
- Latin I and II
- Meteorology & Astronomy
- Philosophy
- Public Speaking
- Physics
- Sociology
- Studio Art II
- Spanish 4H, 5H
- Plus several online courses

Course Averages

Course semester averages are determined by adding the three marking period grades in the given semester plus the semester exam, divided by four.

Final course averages (for full year classes) are the average of semester one and two. Course averages are NOT weighted.

Rank

CBA does not rank its students. We believe that the minute fractional differences between positions of rank do not significantly distinguish one CBA student from another. The concept of rank does not accurately reflect the selective nature of our rigorous college preparatory curriculum. Rank could be misleading as an indication of a student's true academic quality and ability to perform successfully in college.

National Honor Society

During their junior year, students who have a five or six semester cumulative GPA of 93% (or higher) will be notified that they are academically qualified to apply for induction into CBA's chapter of the National Honor Society. Accepted students must also demonstrate leadership, character, and service to the school and community.

Transfer students must be at CBA for at least three semesters to qualify for National Honor Society.




Grade Point Averages

A student's grade point average (GPA) is calculated each semester and is weighted, based on the degree of difficulty of each course.

Cumulative GPAs are calculated at the end of each academic year.

GPA's are based on a 100-point scale and may be converted to a 4.0 scale using The College Board conversion chart.



Courses are weighted as follows:

-  **AP (Advanced Placement)**
Courses are multiplied by 1.05
-  **H (Honors)**
Courses are multiplied by 1.03
-  **Standard**
Courses and all regular college preparatory courses are multiplied by 1.00

Note: ½ credit and ¾ credit classes do not receive the same weight as a full-year courses in determining a student's year and cumulative GPA.

Honor Roll

Students may earn honors or high honors recognition at the end of each semester based on their semester course averages and semester GPA.

-  **Honors** – 90 semester GPA
-  **High Honors** – 93 semester GPA

BROTHERS FOR OTHERS

PEER TUTORING

Peer tutors help students learn material, practice academic skills, and improve study habits. Tutors teach students how to help themselves, guiding them to the point at which they become independent learners. Tutors typically work in one subject area and meet with students once or twice per week.

LASALLIAN SERVICE GROUPS

The Lasallian Service Groups are organized to incorporate faith, community and service into student life. Through participation in service projects both in and out of school, and by learning about the importance of reaching out to others, students learn to make a difference in their world.



PEER MINISTRY

Juniors and Seniors at CBA may become involved in Peer Ministry. The program encourages students to become active leaders in spiritual life through the community. Peer Ministers, after an orientation and training period, may choose to serve in one of the five areas: Spiritual Life, Social Justice, Art and the Environment, Christian Formation, and Community Outreach.

PEER-2-PEER MENTORING

Peer Mentors guide and support younger students in many areas of their life including academic, social, and emotional development. Mentors help students develop a connection to school and peers, foster positive behaviors and attitudes, and improve feelings of confidence and self-worth. The mentor serves as a role model, leader, and "Big Brother" to the younger student.

TESTING DATA

ACT scores – 73 students tested

2019	CBA	NYS	National
English	27	24.1	20.1
Math	26	24.1	20.4
Reading	27.5	25	21.2
Science	26.5	24.4	20.6
COMPOSITE	26.5	24.5	20.7

SAT scores – 109 students tested

2019	CBA	NYS	National
ERW	606	531	531
Math	604	533	528
COMPOSITE	1210	1064	1059

*State and national data reflect College Board reports as of August 2020.

AP Testing (2020)

All students in grades 10-12 in an AP course are required to take the corresponding AP exam.

- 🍪 241 students took an AP exam
- 🍪 529 total exams were administered
- 🍪 65 exams received a score of 5
- 🍪 137 exams received a score of 4
- 🍪 170 exams received a score of 3

80%

of CBA students received a score of 3 or higher

87

AP Scholars (2020)

Advanced Placement Scholars

	2020	2019	2018
National	3	1	4
w/ Distinction	20	21	21
w/ Honors	22	19	13
Scholars	87	42	46

AP Pass Rate by Subject (2020)

AP Exam	CBA Pass Rate	National Pass Rate	# Students
2D Art & Design	100%	90%	1
Biology	73%	69%	63
Calculus AB	86%	60%	28
Calculus BC	100%	81%	1
Chemistry	83%	55%	18
Computer Science A	50%	69%	8
English Language	74%	62%	101
English Literature	69%	60%	42
Environmental Sci	33%	53%	12
European History	50%	59%	6
French Language	100%	83%	1
Macroeconomics	50%	63%	2
Microeconomics	45%	68%	11
Music Theory	100%	68%	2
Physics C	76%	77%	21
Psychology	61%	71%	56
Spanish Language	100%	90%	4
Statistics	39%	60%	18
US Government	66%	57%	29
History	86%	59%	42
World History	96%	60%	26

COLLEGE MATRICULATION 2016-2020

The following list represents the most well-attended colleges over the last five years (3 or more graduates).
***Bold denotes 2020 graduates.**

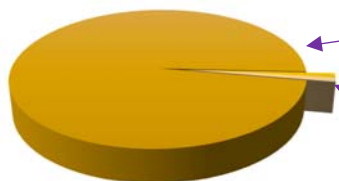
Bentley University	Keuka College	SUNY College at Cortland
Binghamton University	Le Moyne College	SUNY College at Geneseo
Boston College	Lehigh University	SUNY College at Oswego
Boston University	Loyola University Maryland	SUNY College of ESF
Brown University	Marquette University	SUNY University at Albany
Bucknell University	Nazareth College	SUNY University at Buffalo
Canisius College	New York University	Syracuse University
Catholic University of America	Northeastern University	Union College
Clarkson University	Ohio State University	University of Cincinnati
Colgate University	Pennsylvania State University	University of Delaware
College of the Holy Cross	Providence College	University of Florida
Cornell University	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	University of Hartford
Duke University	Rochester Institute of Technology	University of Massachusetts-Amherst
Elon University	Sacred Heart University	University of Michigan
Fordham University	Saint Joseph's University	University of Notre Dame
George Washington University	Seton Hall University	University of Pennsylvania
Georgetown University	Siena College	University of Rochester
Hamilton College	St. Lawrence University	University of Scranton
Hobart & William Smith Colleges	St. Bonaventure University	University of Tampa
Indiana University-Bloomington	St. John Fisher College	Villanova University
James Madison University	SUNY College at Brockport	Yale University

COLLEGE ENROLLMENT STATISTICS: CLASS OF 2020

120 students in the Class of 2020

\$25.4 million in merit scholarship offers

100% college acceptance rate



98% Four-year colleges

1% Two-year colleges

1% Gap year/Professional

College Geographic Breakdown

50% New York State

49% Out of State

1% International

Public vs. Private

25% Public

75% Private*

In the last 3 years, our CBA seniors have also been accepted to the following colleges and universities:

Clemson, Columbia, Harvard, Johns Hopkins, Middlebury, Princeton, SMU, UCLA, University of Chicago, University of North Carolina/Chapel Hill, University of Virginia, University of Washington, Vanderbilt, Wake Forest and many others!