



# Hill Country Christian School

## School Profile 2023-2024

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### The School

Hill Country Christian School is a private, Christian school located in San Marcos, Texas. HCCS serves approximately two hundred and thirty students in preschool-12<sup>th</sup> grade from counties in the Austin-San Antonio corridor. HCCS pursues its mission of graduating leaders with integrity who will positively affect their community by promoting Christian character and academic excellence in a small community atmosphere. The school emphasizes a Biblical world view, leadership, character, critical thinking, and the ability to communicate well both verbally and in writing.

### Enrollment

Grades 9-12: 58  
Student to Faculty Ratio: 1:15  
Class of 2023: 13

### Grading and Ranking

Grading Scale	
90 – 100	= A (4 pts.)
80 – 89	= B (3 pts.)
70 – 79	= C (2 pts.)
0 – 69	= No credit

*Transcripts are not weighted.*

### Rank

HCCS does not rank its students.

### Grade Point Average (GPA) Calculation

GPA is computed based on a percentile score with 100 as the maximum score. All subjects, whether passed or failed, are included in the computation (high school classes completed in 8<sup>th</sup> grade are also included). A minimum of 22 credits is required for graduation under certain circumstances, but our two main degree plans require 26 credits. In addition, each student must complete a minimum **165-hour community service graduation requirement**. Grades are recorded on the transcript and GPA is computed in January and May.

### Graduation Requirements

Recommended: College Prep.		Optional: Occupation/Ministry	
Course	Cr.	Course	Cr.
English	4	English	4
Math	4	Math	3
Science	4	Science	3
Social Studies	4	Social Studies	4
Required Electives	4	Required Electives	4
Foreign Language	2	Foreign Language	2
Speech/Fine Art	2	Speech/Fine Art	2
Electives	1	Electives	3
PE	1	PE	1
<b>TOTAL Credits required</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>TOTAL Credits required</b>	<b>26</b>

### The Curriculum

The **academic program** is organized on a semester system with seven classes per day. HCCS does not offer AP classes, but juniors and seniors have the option to take dual credit college classes through Austin Community College. We also offer a work experience program where students can earn high school credit through internship or work study. The PSAT is administered each year for grades 9-11.

### Extracurricular Activities

HCCS offers eight varsity athletic teams that compete in the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools (TAPPS) I-A division. Other extracurricular opportunities include National Honor Society (Sigma Mu Alpha), TAPPS academic and fine arts competition, chapel band, school Houses, Chick-fil-a Leadership Academy, and yearly mission trips.

### Class of 2023

Reported below is a range of the middle 50% for the class of 2023.

GPA	96.46-92.36
EBRW SAT Range	630-580
Math SAT Range	550-480

Approximately 90% of our students attend college after graduation.