

# School Profile



## Mission

Bishop Brady is a Roman Catholic, college preparatory, co-educational high school founded upon the values of Faith, Learning and Service. In partnership with families and the greater community, Bishop Brady instills in students a desire to engage in service to others and challenges them to rise above the expected in the pursuit of excellence.

## The School and Community

Founded in 1963, Bishop Brady High School is conducted under the auspices of the Diocese of Manchester. The school is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges and approved as a non-public school by the State of New Hampshire. Thirty-four faculty members make up the teaching staff. Average class size is 16. The student-teacher ratio 12:1. Bishop Brady High School complies with the NACAC "Statement of Principles of Good Practice."

Centrally located in southern New Hampshire, Concord embraces an area of 64 square miles and has a population of approximately 40,000 people. Long known for its granite quarries and carriage manufacturing, particularly the "Concord Coach," today, Concord is the political and financial center of the state.

## Objectives

Bishop Brady High School is an educational community where each person is encouraged to build quality interpersonal relationships and exert a positive influence on the community. Compassionate teachers provide a rigorous curriculum, challenge students to be great thinkers, empower them to persevere and to fulfill our mission of service to others. As a Catholic school and a caring community, we are committed to the following objectives:

- To introduce or reinforce Christian values by providing intellectual instruction and opportunities for religious experiences.
- To offer programs which stimulate intellectual, creative, emotional, spiritual and physical growth in each individual.
- To offer students college preparatory courses in a supportive and structured school environment.
- To encourage students to develop a healthy respect for self, school, family and society.

## Student Body

Our 365 students come from over 60 cities and towns in New Hampshire and our international program hails students from 13 countries. Although the majority are from Roman Catholic parishes, students of all denominations are welcomed and respected.

## Graduation Requirements – Class of 2017

Theology	4.0	World Language	3.0
English	4.0	Electives	2.0
Mathematics	3.0	Fine Arts	1.0
Science	3.0	Computers	.5
Social Studies	3.0	Wellness	.5
		<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>24.0</b>

**Graduation requirements will increase to 25 for the Class of 2018 and subsequent years.**

## Curriculum

All coursework at Bishop Brady High School is college preparatory. Placement in Honors and Advanced Placement courses is accomplished by academic success, family choice, and teacher recommendations.

## AP Courses for Juniors and Seniors

AP English Literature	AP US History
AP English Language	AP Calculus AB
AP Statistics	AP Calculus BC
AP Spanish	AP Physics
AP Chemistry	AP Biology
AP Environmental Science	AP French

## Alternative Courses and College Credit Options

Self-driven students may request permission to participate in alternative programs for academic credit. Several students have designed internship programs and many participate in coursework through VLACS (Virtual Learning Academy Charter School), other online programs or through local colleges and universities either during the school year or over the summer. This allows students to personalize their programs and pursue their passions without the constraints of the school schedule. Grades for alternative coursework will not be averaged into the GPA.

The school participates in dual enrollment programs with both Southern New Hampshire University and NH Technical Institute in which students can apply to earn college credit while completing the following courses AP Biology, Honors Chemistry, AP Chemistry, AP Calculus, PreCalculus BC, World History, AP US History, World Religions, AP English Language and Composition and Anatomy and Physiology.



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### Grading System - 10-Point Grading System

<b>A Range</b>	90-100%
<b>B Range</b>	80-89%
<b>C Range</b>	70-79%
<b>D Range</b>	60-69%
<b>F Range</b>	0-59%

### Weighting

College Prep, Honors, and AP courses show face value or “unweighted” grades on the transcript unweighted grades are also used for determining Honor Roll. Weighted GPA, is calculated by the addition of 10 points to face value grades in Honors courses and 15 points to face value grades in AP courses.

### GPA

GPA is calculated by combining numerically weighted grades, dividing the sum by the number of attempted credits, then converting to a standard 0-100% scale.

### Honor Roll

- High Honors:** 90% and above with no more than one grade between 80-89%.
- Honors:** 80% and above with no more than one grade between 70-79%.

### Bishop Brady High School does not numerically rank students.

Rather, the school bestows Honors Awards, to recognize high achieving students.

**Summa Cum Laude** for students with a cumulative average of 99.50% or higher

**Magna Cum Laude** for students with a cumulative average of 95.00-99.49%

Transcripts of seniors applying to college will show “Candidate for “Summa Cum Laude” or “Candidate for Magna Cum Laude” based on their cumulative & weighted GPA at the end of junior year.

### Class of 2017- 6th Semester Grade Distribution

Decile	GPA Range (weighted)	Decile	GPA Range (weighted)
1st	105.81-99.66%	6th	87.47%-83.94%
2nd	99.49%-97.00%	7th	83.59%-79.91%
3rd	96.74%-93.46%	8th	79.59%-70.64%
4th	93.36%-90.22%	9th	70.42%-68.20%
5th	89.92%-87.57%	10th	68.20%-60%

### Class of 2016 Profile

SAT Summary	Reading	Math	Writing
BBHS Average	553	554	542
NH Average	527	531	510
National Average	539	549	531

### ACT Summary

Composite Averages	
Bishop Brady	24
National Average	21

### Post High School Plans

Four-year college	88%
Two-year college	8%
Military	1%
Other	3%

### More about Bishop Brady High School graduates:

One hundred hours of Community Service are required of each graduate. Many of our graduates surpass this minimum requirement.

On average, per year...

- 99% participate in extracurricular activities
- 32 seniors receive NH High School Athletic/Academic Awards (B+ average and letter in two varsity sports)
- 1 National Merit Scholarship Semifinalist
- 2 Commended National Merit Scholars
- 14 AP Scholars (students scoring “3” or higher in three or more AP exams)

### Interscholastic Sports

Bishop Brady athletic teams compete in NHIAA Division III unless noted.

Fall	Winter	Spring
Bass Fishing	Alpine Skiing	Baseball
Cross Country	Boys Basketball (D II)	Softball
Field Hockey	Girls Basketball (D II)	Boys Lacrosse
Football	Boys Hockey (D I)	Girls Lacrosse
Golf (D II)	Girls Hockey (D I)	Boys Tennis (D II)
Boys Soccer	Nordic Skiing	Girls Tennis (D I)
Girls Soccer	Swimming (D II)	Track and Field
	Indoor Track (D II)	

### Co-curricular Organizations and Activities

Academic World Quest	Film Club	Math Team	SALT (Student Athletic Leadership Team)
Bible Study	Fine Line (Literary Magazine)	Model UN	Science Olympiad
BizGen Club	First Tech Challenge	National History Day Club	Strategic Games Club
Briareus Society	Granite State Challenge	National Honor Society	Student Council
Campus Ministry	Habitat for Humanity	Photography Club	Student Government (Class Officers)
Chess Club	Interact (Rotary) Club	Recycling Club	TAU (Teens About Understanding)
Dead Theologian Society	International Club	Religion and Politics Club	World Language Club
Drama Club	Investment Club	Robotics Team	Yearbook
El Salvador Trip	Knitting Club	Rowdy Rooters Spirit Club	Youth and Government
Equestrian Team			

### College Destinations 2016

Boston University, University of California, Santa Barbara, Castleton University, Catholic University of America, Champlain College, College of Charleston, Clarkson University, Colby Sawyer College, University of Colorado at Boulder, Colorado state University, DeSales University, Eckerd College, Elon University, Emerson College, Emmanuel College, George Washington University, Georgetown University, High Point University, College of the Holy Cross, University of Iowa, James Madison University, Keene State College, Lesley University, University of Maine, McGill University, University of New England, University of New Hampshire, University of New Hampshire, Manchester, New York University, New Hampshire Technical Institute, Concord, Plymouth State University, Purdue University, Rhode Island College, Rochester Institute of Technology, Roger Williams, University, Sacred Heart University, Saint Anselm College, Salem State University, University of San Francisco, Santa Monica College, Southern New Hampshire University, St. John’s University, Stonehill College, Ohio State University, Trinity College, University of Vermont, University of Virginia, Western State Colorado University, Worcester Polytechnic Institute