

Bishop Garcia Diego High School



Santa Barbara, California

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Quick Facts

Year Founded: 1914
Religious Affiliation: Catholic
Grades at the School: 9-12
Enrollment: 275
% International: 5%
Student/Teacher Ratio: 9:1
ESL: Yes
School Uniform: No

ABOUT

Bishop Diego's small environment provides a safe and nurturing place where students experience challenging, college prep curriculum, empowering opportunities, and supportive role models. The STEAM course of study places additional emphasis on science, technology, engineering, arts and math for those who wish to specialize in those areas. The television and sound studio programs are unique in the area.



ACADEMICS



Courses

Subject	Course	Honors	AP	Subject	Course	Honors	AP
English	English Lit and Composition 1-2	*		Mathematics	AP Studio Art		*
	American Literature				Drama		
	British & World Literature				Algebra AB		
	Creative Writing				Algebra BC		
	AP English Lit and Composition		*		Geometry	*	
Digital Art & Tech	Multimedia & Technology 1-3			Algebra II			
	Graphic Art & Technology			Algebra II/Trigonometry			
	Advanced Graphic Art			Probability and Statistics			
	Digital Sound Production 1-2			Trigonometry			
	Innovation & Design			Precalculus	*		
History/Social Sci	AP Human Geography		*	Calculus			
	Human Geography			AP Calculus AB		*	
	U.S. History			AP Calculus BC		*	
	AP U.S. History/ Civics		*	AP Statistics		*	
	U.S. Government			Science	Astronomy		
	AP U.S. Government		*		Biology		
	Economics				AP Biology		*
Languages	Psychology			Chemistry	*		
	Spanish 1-3	*		AP Chemistry		*	
	Mandarin Chinese 1-2			Environmental Science			
Art	Color & Design			Human Anatomy & Physiology			
	Art: Context & Application			Physics	*		
	Painting			AP Physics 1		*	
	Ceramics			AP Physics C: Mechanics		*	
				AP Physics C: Electricity & Magnetism		*	

Accolades

- 70% of faculty hold advanced degrees
- 96% of students continue on to four year colleges
- 98% of students involved in co-curriculars and/or athletics
- 2018 Avg. SAT Critical Reading: 580, Math: 584

STEAM Honor Society

The STEAM Honor Society is open to high achieving students interested in focusing their high school studies in the STEAM (Science, Technology Engineering, Art and Mathematics) disciplines. Students participate in special events and complete projects in their junior and senior years.



COLLEGE COUNSELING

Students attend college planning workshops and meet individually with college counselors starting in the junior year to begin finding colleges that are the best match for student’s interests and strengths. College representatives are invited to visit the school to meet with students, and on campus SAT/ACT test preparation is available.

PARTIAL LIST OF COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES OF RECENT GRADUATES

University of Pennsylvania, Columbia University, Georgetown University, Rice University, Dartmouth University, University of Texas – Austin, Boston University, Northwestern University, Tufts University, Purdue University, University of California – Berkeley, University of Southern California, Berklee School of Music, Cornell University



ATHLETICS

Fall: (Coed) Cheer, (Coed) Cross Country, (Boys) Football, (Girls) Golf, (Girls) Tennis, (Girls) Volleyball, (Boys) Water Polo

Winter: (Boys and Girls) Basketball, (Coed) Cheer, (Boys and Girls) Soccer, (Girls) Water Polo

Spring: (Boys) Baseball, (Boys) Golf, (Girls) Softball, (Boys) Tennis, (Coed) Track & Field, (Boys) Volleyball, (Girls) Beach Volleyball, (Boys and Girls) Swim

CLUBS

Student Government, Ambassadors, Table Tennis Club, Youth for Direct Relief, Art 4 Good, Animation Club, Fitness with Dance, Global Scope, Teens on the Scene, Bishop Music Club, Cardinals in Virtual Reality, Baking Club, Senior Music Club, Bishop Beach Volleyball Club, JSA Debate Club, Bishop Fishing Club, Support Club

“I’m really glad and happy about my experience. I’m doing great at school and I know a lot of friends too. I couldn’t have asked for a better host family and for a better school. People are awesome and I’m definitely having the time of my life!”

Benedetta, Italy

FACILITY

The beautiful 16-acre campus includes a technologically sophisticated Center for Multimedia Arts and Technology with a sound center and TV studio, two gyms, athletic fields, tennis courts, and a state of the art weight room. The campus is located near downtown Santa Barbara with access to its many cultural, educational and recreational activities.

COMMUNITY

Santa Barbara is a small city on the central California coast, with the Santa Ynez Mountains as a dramatic backdrop. Downtown, Mediterranean-style white stucco buildings with red-tile roofs reflect the city’s Spanish colonial heritage. On the coast of the Pacific Ocean the waterfront teems with sailboats, kayaks, stand-up paddle-boarders and adjacent sandy beaches.

ADMISSIONS CRITERIA

- 222 ELTiS
- Skype interview