

DEVELOPING TEENS WHO ARE FUTURE-READY

A Parent Info Packet for

GRADES 9-12

PACIFICA
CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL

SANTA MONICA, CA

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WHAT DO YOU WANT YOUR TEEN'S

HIGH SCHOOL EXPERIENCE TO LOOK LIKE?

A four-year plan that prepares them for college? An opportunity to shine in athletics or the arts? Maybe you want something more than the traditional path ... you want them in a place where they can prepare for their life goals after high school, but also find joy in learning.





In order to flourish, your teen will need many things throughout their high school years: the right amount of academic challenge, strong support from their peers and mentors, and an uplifting community to grow into all their talents and gifts as scholars, athletes, artists, and future graduates with world-changing potential. That is no exaggeration — your teen will change communities and corners of the world, and it is our mission to lead them on their way.

Pacifica Christian High School is a transformative environment for teens to grow in character and college-readiness together. We're committed to developing well-rounded students who are encouraged to think well, live well, and to do so in community. Families will find an outstanding college-prep program as well as athletics, fine arts, and other extracurricular activities. We understand how your teen's environment shapes them into the confident young man or woman they will become by graduation day.

Read our parent guide to begin exploring all that we have to offer your teen, and then sign up for a campus visit. This is an opportunity for your entire family to step into our learning community at Pacifica Christian High School! Send all of your questions about admission to us at **310-401-1786** or **admissions@pacificachristian.org**.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING YOU AND YOUR FAMILY SOON!

Sincerely,

Nichole Knott Craig

DIRECTOR OF ADMISSIONS



HELPING TEENS

FORGE THEIR OWN PATH

THINK ABOUT

... all the ways your teen learns best.

... their personal interests, gifts, and academic abilities.

... what it could look like when they achieve their full potential.

At Pacifica Christian High School, we want to see your teen flourish. That's reflected in our commitment to character development and structure for supporting student success and shaping confident graduates who go on to have truly fulfilling lives and careers.

ACADEMIC PREPAREDNESS

- A rigorous core curriculum that includes 24 AP and honors classes
- Signature programs like the Pacifica Center for Philosophy and Theology
- Increased opportunities to engage in extracurricular activities such as athletics or visual and performing arts in a close-knit community
- Student-led STEM Scholar program sharpens problem-solving and critical-thinking skills

LEADERSHIP & SERVICE

- Mentorship program connects students with more seasoned leaders
- Strong leadership development opportunities include an active student government, service projects, community events, and charitable efforts
- More than 30 student-led clubs and activities on campus designed to enhance intellectual, spiritual, physical, and social skills

CHARACTER & VALUES

- Students form engaging relationships with a heart of grace, compassion, and forgiveness
- Faculty and staff build healthy relationships with students to support academic and spiritual growth within an encouraging culture
- Students cultivate shared values through community-building events like the annual All-School Retreat

HEALTH & WELL-BEING

- A championship-caliber athletics program with 13 teams that encourage excellence on the court or field and in life
- A strong team of academic and mental health counselors who offer academic, social, and emotional support
- Wellness Week entirely dedicated to promoting the health and well-being of our students



OUR LEARNING MODEL

Students discover an authentic love of learning through an academic philosophy that focuses on inquiry, logic, and rhetoric through the Socratic teaching style that challenges students to think critically and listen charitably. With a commitment to the Great Conversation of Western tradition, our students learn from renowned authors of the past. As one of the few schools in the Greater Los Angeles area with this focus, your teen will learn to think and live well within a thriving Pacifica Christian community.

STEM CLASSES

Our STEM Scholar Program and core courses are anchored by classes such as Engineering Design, Principles of Engineering, Computer Science, Software Engineering, Biology, Chemistry, Marine Biology, Anatomy & Physiology, and Physics. Pacifica will help place STEM Scholars into internships that match their interests and goals.

UNIQUE OFFERINGS

Students ponder essential questions in the pursuit of wisdom and truth through our extensive Theology & Philosophy program, explore one of many visual and performing arts offerings that include a nationally-ranked a cappella group, catch some waves with the surf club, and take advantage of the always anticipated All-School Retreat.

FAITH THAT WORKS

Faith is appropriately integrated into a learning approach designed to sharpen critical thinking skills while stressing intellectual charity. The pursuit of grace and truth in all relationships powerfully shapes our culture as a distinctively Christian school that serves families from all faith backgrounds.

DISCOVER THEIR PASSIONS

They might be hidden or only beginning to develop but your child has passions and talents. They have a character unlike anyone else. Their friendships will be utterly unique. Everything we've built at Pacifica Christian is made to encourage meaningful connections with their peers and mentors. We'll help them flourish and find success.



VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS

Our students are taught the fundamentals of technique and theory by experts in their field, while also being challenged to create new works of their own. The cycle of practice, creation, and exhibition encourages the development and deepening of artistic skill, problem solving, and creative vision. Students have gone on to study theater, film, dance, and music performance in top colleges across the country.

ATHLETICS

Our athletes are challenged to develop physical skills while engaging with their teammates and competition. There is a positive, life-enriching sport opportunity for every teen here, regardless of experience or ability. The whole community enthusiastically supports our student-athletes as they aspire to excel and grow into young men and women of strong moral character.

CLUBS

Clubs are initiated and led by our students and can reflect the most specialized interests, with new offerings each year. They might include: Black and Brown Student Union, Dance Team, Environmental Club, Film Club, Glee Club, Philosophy Club, Science Olympiad (SCIOLY), Improv Club, The Wolf Post, Wolf PACappella, and Yearbook.



A ROADMAP TO COLLEGE

It's no surprise that 100% of our graduates are accepted to college, including University of Southern California, UCLA, California Institute of Technology, Rice University, University of Virginia, Duke University, University of Pennsylvania, Pepperdine University, Princeton University, New York University, Northwestern, University of Chicago, and University of Notre Dame. We spend four years making sure they are ready to shatter expectations, thrive socially and academically, and help lead others in excellence. Here is a high-level view of how we do that at Pacifica Christian.





9TH GRADE

The process of preparing our students for the college admission process includes a detailed, personalized plan that begins with our first-year students. We help them understand how to get the most out of their high school years through opportunities like honors classes, Freshmen College Night, one-on-one student and parent meetings, preliminary SAT testing and a visit to Pepperdine University.

10TH GRADE

Students participate in one-on-one counseling meetings, preliminary SAT testing, attend Sophomore College Night, meet college representatives, and visit USC.

11TH GRADE

Junior students have one-on-one college counselor meetings, take PSAT and SAT exams, meet with visiting college representatives, attend Junior College Night, participate in college essay workshops, visit UCLA, and take part in an East Coast college trip.

12TH GRADE

As seniors, your teen's college counselor meetings continue, and we will help them make strong applications to their best-fit dream schools. We help students (and parents!) navigate the process with a senior application boot camp, Senior College Night, and an evening to cover financial aid. College essay workshops continue, and a college day trip is offered. Students take the SAT, transition to college workshops and enjoy a college celebration day.

AN INVESTMENT IN

THEIR FUTURE



2024-2025 TUITION & FEES

Tuition	31,128
New Student Fee	1,000
Program Fee	1,500
Payment Plan Fee (Semi-Annual)	400
Payment Plan Fee (Monthly)	750
Textbooks	500-800
Uniforms	200-400
Tablets or Personal Computer	750

Underneath many of the questions and priorities of the parents we talk to is one basic assumption: for good or bad, high school is going to have a huge impact on their child's character, trajectory in life, and future success. So it's worth stopping to seriously ask: what's the best high school experience you can imagine for your child?

As you will learn during our admissions process, families find great value in the Pacifica Christian experience and all the distinctive ways we provide opportunities for our students. We are committed to making a quality, college-prep education accessible to families and understand that each family has unique financial circumstances.

We offer tuition assistance, scholarships, and payment plans that are tailored to meet the needs of qualifying families. To learn more about what tuition will look like for your family, visit our **website** or contact Nichole KnottCraig, Director of Admissions at **nknottcraig@pacificachristian.com** or 310-401-1786.

"We wanted our daughter to attend a private Christian high school that has a balance between highly rigorous academics and engaging extracurricular activities. We also wanted her to be surrounded by like-minded students and taught by teachers who truly care. Pacifica was the perfect fit. However, without the support of Pacifica's Financial Aid Department, our dream school for our daughter would never have been a reality."

- Pacifica Christian parent



WHERE WILL YOUR TEEN FIND SUCCESS?

When you and your teen experience the school culture at Pacifica Christian firsthand, it makes all the difference in understanding everything that is available to them here. Our campus events will give you the best sense of what we have to offer and provide you with the opportunity to connect with someone who can answer your specific questions.

WHAT TO EXPECT ON YOUR CAMPUS VISIT

Explore our beautiful campus by attending Open House, a Visit Pacifica Day, or schedule a private on-campus tour with our admissions team. On your visit, you will have the chance to see:

- Classrooms, where students spend those pivotal high school years before going to college
- Art studio, where teens can pursue their study of visual and performing arts
- State-of-the-art science and engineering labs
- A peaceful courtyard, where your teen can enjoy independent or small-group study
- Our gymnasium, home of the Seawolves
- Comfortable outdoor space where students can relax with friends between classes
- An inviting lobby, home to the comprehensive counseling services available to students
- The chapel, where students and staff regularly attend for meaningful reflection as a community

QUESTIONS?

Please contact our admissions team at **310-401-1786** or **admissions@pacificachristian.org**.

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