



## Cristo Rey St. Martin College Prep

Our Mission: College Persistence and Graduation

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### **Community and School**

Cristo Rey St. Martin College Prep High School (CRSM) is a Catholic, co-educational college preparatory school located in Waukegan, Illinois. CRSM offers a rigorous college preparatory curriculum and a 10 month school year. Opened in 2004, CRSM is a member of the national Cristo Rey Network of schools, which provides quality, Catholic, college preparatory education to students of limited means and educational options. All students at Cristo Rey Network Schools participate in a work-study program through which they finance the majority of the cost of their education, gain real world job experience, grow in self-confidence, and realize the relevance of their education. This work-study program is referred to as the Corporate Work Study Program. Cristo Rey St. Martin strives to develop the full potential of its students in an atmosphere of mutual respect for the religious and cultural heritage of each individual. The school prepares bright students from urban communities for college acceptance and graduation, a successful career, and the ability to make positive changes in their communities.

### **Faculty**

The faculty consists of 25 full-time teachers, two full-time school counselors, two full-time college counselors, one alumni director, and two full-time resource teachers. Fifty percent of the full-time teachers hold Master's degrees. Ninety-one percent of the teachers are certified. The student to faculty ratio is 17:1.

### **Corporate Work Study Program**

The bedrock of Cristo Rey St. Martin is the Corporate Work Study Program. Students are placed into entry-level positions within companies and organizations throughout Lake County, IL, Northern Cook County, IL and Kenosha, WI. The fees students earn from these jobs cover over 60% of the cost of their education. Students develop practical job skills and experience in a variety of industries including law, health care, banking, finance, engineering, education, pharmaceutical and non-profit services. Each student works five full work days per month, without missing any scheduled classes. By the time they graduate from CRSM, each student will have spent an amount of time at their jobs exceeding that of an entire academic year. Each student has a direct supervisor and receives two comprehensive performance reviews each year. Several alumni have reflected that their work experiences at CRSM have been very beneficial to their successes at colleges/universities and beyond.

## Student Body:

**Class of 2018: 90**  
**Class of 2019: 100**  
**Class of 2020: 105**  
**Class of 2021: 105**

**Total students: 400**

**Latino: 92%**

**African American: 7%**

**Other Ethnicities: 1%**

**80% of students qualify for the Federal Free or Reduced Lunch Program**

**Average family income: \$38,460**

**Average family per capita income: \$8,944**

**Average Family size: 4.3**

## Graduation Requirements

A total of 28 credits are required for graduation. Yearly courses earn 1 credit and semester courses earn 0.5 credits.

The following courses are required for graduation:

- 4 Credits English
- 3 Credits Math (all students are required to take 4 years of Math)
- 3 Credits Science
- 3 Credits Social Studies
- 2 Credits World Language
- 1 Credit Physical Education/Health
- 4 Credits Electives/Fine Arts
- 1 Credit of Theology for each year of attendance
- 1 Credit of Corporate Work Study Program (CWSP) for each year of attendance

## Curriculum Descriptions:

- 11 AP Courses are offered at Cristo Rey St. Martin College Prep
- Sophomores are eligible for AP World History
- Juniors are eligible for 3 AP Courses: English Language & Composition, Spanish Language, and United States History.
- Seniors have 7 AP Courses from which to choose: Biology, Calculus AB, English Literature, Spanish Literature, Physics, Seminar, and United States Government & Politics.

## Core Classes

### English

- English 1, 2,
- English 3 and AP Language and Composition
- English 4 and AP Literature and Composition

### Social Sciences

- World History (regular or AP)
- US History (regular or AP)
- US Government and Politics (regular or AP)

### Theology

- Theology 1, 2, 3, (4 or AP)

### Sciences

- Biology (regular and AP)
- Chemistry
- Integrated Science
- Physics (regular and AP)
- Environmental Science
- Anatomy and Physiology

### Math

- Algebra
- Accelerated Algebra1/Geometry
- Algebra2
- Functions and Trigonometry
- Precalculus
- Calculus and AP Calculus AB
- Personal Finance
- Statistics

## Electives

- Introduction to Psychology
- Introduction to Sociology
- AP Spanish Language & Culture

- AP Spanish Literature & Culture
- Personal Finance
- Introduction to Film
- Personal Fitness and Wellness

- **Jesuit Virtual Learning Academy (JVLA)** is an online learning community made up of Jesuit high schools from across the county. Courses that are often difficult to run at an individual school are made available to students through JVLA.
- **GradPoint** offers online course to supplement and extend students' interests in a wide range of subjects from psychology to engineering.
- **Abbott Driving School:** Drivers Education

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## Grading Scale

The numeric equivalence for letter grades are as follows:

A+= 99- 100%    B+= 91- 92%    C+ = 83- 84%    D+ = 75- 76%    F = 0 < 69%  
A = 95- 98%    B = 87- 90%    C = 79- 82%    D = 72- 74%  
A- = 93- 94%    B- = 85- 86%    C- = 77- 78%    D- = 70- 71%

## Grade Point Average

The grade point average (GPA) is the average value of all accumulated final grades.. The following are the numeric equivalents for letter grades:

A+= 4.25                      B+= 3.25                      C+= 2.25                      D+= 1.25  
A = 4.13                      B = 3.13                      C = 2.13                      D = 1.13  
A- = 4.00                      B- = 3.00                      C- = 2.00                      D- = 1.00

**\*\*We do not rank. GPAs are unweighted\*\***

## Counseling Department

Counseling at CRSM has three departments: Academic/Social/Emotional Counseling and College Counseling, which serve our CRSM high school students, and Alumni/Graduate Outreach which serves our CRSM graduates. These departments collaborate daily to provide support to the CRSM community.

### School Counseling:

This department consists of two school counselors: Christina Dippold and Deisy Del Rio. This department focuses on serving the students as a whole so they can achieve their best academically, socially and emotionally. Both counselors serve the students through individual meetings, group counseling, and presentations to student classes.

### College Counseling:

This department includes two full-time college counselors: Martha Juarez and Beth Kainic. Together, they work to create a college-going culture at CRSM, with enrichment programs each year of high school. Focusing on grades 11 and 12, the college counselors facilitate classes on college access, college application completion workshops for seniors, and financial aid workshops for families.

### College Representative Visits:

Visits from college representatives are welcome throughout the school year. We discourage visits on Tuesdays and Wednesdays because our juniors and seniors work at their CWSP jobs. **We discourage visits on Tuesdays and Wednesdays because these are CWSP work days for our juniors and seniors.** Visits may be scheduled by emailing [collegecounseling@crstoreystmartin.org](mailto:collegecounseling@crstoreystmartin.org).

### Alumni Support Program:

The department consists of one alumni director, Melissa Chavez, who supports alumni of Cristo Rey St. Martin College Prep. Support includes personal outreach to students

## Class of 2017 Postsecondary Plans

Ninety-eight percent of the Class of 2017 was accepted to 4-year colleges/universities and 2% to 2-year colleges.

## Class of 2017 Acceptances:

Alfred University\*  
Alverno College\*  
Arrupe College\*  
Augustana College  
Aurora University  
Bates College\*  
Beloit College\*  
Benedictine University  
Bradley University\*  
Brandeis University\*  
Bucknell University  
Cardinal Stritch University\*  
Carroll University-WI\*  
Carthage College\*  
Clark Atlanta University  
Clark University  
Coe College  
College of Lake County\*  
College of the Holy Cross\*  
Colorado Christian University  
Colorado State University  
Columbia College Chicago  
Concordia University Chicago  
Cornell College  
Denison University  
DePaul University  
DePauw University  
Dominican University\*  
Eastern Illinois University  
Edgewood College  
Elizabethtown College  
Elmhurst College  
Elon University  
Emmanuel College  
Fisk University  
Furman University  
Illinois State University\*  
Illinois Wesleyan University  
Indiana University-Purdue Indiana,  
Fort Wayne  
Iowa Wesleyan College  
Kent State University  
Knox College  
Lake Erie College  
Lake Forest College  
Lawrence University  
Lewis University  
LIM College  
Loras College\*  
Loyola University of Chicago\*  
Luther College  
Macalester College\*  
Marian University\*  
Marquette University\*  
Michigan Technological University  
Montana State University  
Morehouse College  
Mount Mary University\*  
National Louis University-Chicago\*

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## Corporate Work Study Program Business Partners 2017-2018:

- A Safe Place
- Abbott
- AbbVie
- ACCO Brands USA, LLC
- The Advanced Group
- Advocate Condell Medical Center
- Alight Solutions
- Allstate Insurance Company
- American Hotel Register Company
- Anixter
- Aon Hewitt
- Barilla North America
- Baxter International, Inc.
- Boys and Girls Club of Lake County
- Buehler, a division of Illinois Tool Works Inc.
- Catholic Charities of Lake County
- CDW LLC
- Chicago Botanic Garden
- Cole Parmer
- CVS Health
- Discover Financial Services
- Embassy Suites
- EMCO Chemical Distributors, Inc.
- Fabrication Technologies
- Father Gary Graf Center
- First Insurance Funding, A Wintrust Company
- First Midwest Bank
- Fuller Center for Housing Hero Project-Lake County
- Gewalt Hamilton Associates, Inc.
- Good Foods Group
- Hollister Incorporated
- Holy Spirit Missionary Sisters
- ITW Construction North America
- Joel Kennedy Constructing Corp.
- K International
- Kapstone Paper and Packaging Corporation
- L. Marshall Roofing & Sheet Metal
- Lake County Health Department
- Lake County Department of Public Works
- Lake County Recorder of Deeds
- Lake County Sheriff's Office
- Lake County State's Attorney
- Lake County Department of Transportation
- Lake Forest Bank & Trust Company, Wintrust Company
- Lake Forest Graduate School of Management
- Learn 6 Charter School
- Learn 9 Charter School
- Libertyville Bank & Trust Company, A Wintrust Company
- Lions Math and Science Christian Academy
- MacLean-Fogg Company
- Mano-a-Mano
- Northern Illinois Food Bank
- Northern Trust Company
- Northpointe Resources
- NorthShore University HealthSystem
- North Shore Water Reclamation District
- Northwestern Lake Forest Hospital
- Omnicell, Inc
- Our Lady of Humility Parish & School
- Pasquesi Home and Garden
- PotashCorp
- PPC Industries
- Prairie Crossing Charter School
- Reynolds Group Holding Limited
- Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science
- Rust-Oleum Corporation
- Shields Township
- Snap-on Credit
- Society of the Divine Word
- State Bank of the Lake, A Wintrust Community Bank
- Stepan Company
- Stericycle
- St. Anastasia School
- Takeda Pharmaceutical Company
- Underwriters Laboratories
- University of St. Mary of the Lake/ Mundelein Seminary
- W.W. Grainger, Inc
- Walgreens Boots Alliance, Inc.
- Waukegan Township
- Woodland Foods
- Youthbuild Lake County
- YWCA of Lake County

## Class of 2017 Acceptances:

North Central College  
 North Park University  
 Northeastern Illinois University\*  
 Northern Arizona University  
 Northern Illinois University\*  
 Ohio Wesleyan University  
 Olivet Nazarene University  
 Oxford College of Emory University\*  
 Rhodes College\*  
 Ripon College  
 Saint Joseph's University  
 Saint Louis University  
 Saint Mary's University of Minnesota\*  
 Saint Peter's University  
 Saint Xavier University\*  
 Seattle University  
 Silver Lake College\*  
 Skidmore College\*  
 Southern Illinois University, Carbondale\*  
 Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville  
 St. Ambrose University  
 St. John's University-Queens Campus\*  
 St. Mary's University of San Antonio  
 The Catholic University of America  
 University of Akron  
 University of Iowa  
 Trinity College  
 Trinity International University\*  
 University of Dayton  
 University of Dubuque  
 University of Illinois at Chicago\*  
 University of Illinois at Springfield  
 University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign\*  
 University of Nebraska at Lincoln  
 University of North Texas  
 University of Rochester  
 University of Saint Francis  
 University of St. Francis  
 University of St. Thomas  
 University of Toledo  
 University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee  
 University of Wisconsin, Parkside\*  
 Valparaiso University  
 Washington University in St. Louis  
 Wellesley College  
 Western Illinois University  
 Western Michigan University  
 Wheeling Jesuit University\*  
 Wittenberg University  
 Xavier University  
 Xavier University of Louisiana

*\*Colleges and universities where Class of 2017 are attending*