

# St. John Paul II Catholic High ———— FALCONS ———

Learn Enthusiastically, Lead Honorably, Live Responsibly

2025-2026 Profile

St. John Paul II Catholic High School (JPII) is a college preparatory school for grades 9-12, located in Cummings Research Park in Huntsville, Alabama, and serving North Alabama and Southern Tennessee. Founded in 1996 as Catholic High School, St. John Paul II Catholic High School is sponsored by the Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama. Our student body is governed by a house system with students placed into one of four houses. Each house has leadership positions available to all grades. We provide our students with extracurricular activities during the school day through our PowerHour (e.g., lunch, club meetings, tutoring, and teacher office hours).

#### Overview of Curriculum / School Initiatives

Designed to motivate and challenge all students, the academic program at St. John Paul II Catholic High School is driven by equity and the highest possible learning expectations for students. Our proficiency-based learning and graduation policies ensure that all students leave as highly literate and skilled graduates. The academic schedule is organized on a modified block schedule with 8 credits per year. Students attend four block classes daily (A/B days). Student course selection may be limited due to our required 5 core courses and faculty scheduling. Sophomores are limited to one AP classes, juniors to three AP classes, and seniors to four AP classes.

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# ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES:

Art Studio Drawing
2-D Art & Design Portfolio
Biology
Calculus AB
Chemistry
English-Language and Composition
English-Literature and Composition
European History
Physics 1 & 2
U.S. Government
U.S. History
World History

#### **HONORS COURSES:**

Geometry
Algebra II & Trigonometry
Pre-Calculus
Biology
Chemistry
Human Anatomy/Physiology
English
World History
U.S. History I & II
U.S. Government/Economics

#### **GRADING**

Quality points are totaled and divided by the number of credits. St. John Paul II Catholic High School weighs all AP and approved dual-enrollment classes with a weight qualifier of 0.5 per designated class. Transcripts show a weighted/unweighted GPA.

### **GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

Required Subjects	Credits
Theology	4.0
English	4.0
Mathematics (Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II)	4.0
Science (Biology, Chemistry, Physics required)	4.0
Social Studies	4.0
Foreign Language (2 consecutive years of the same language)	2.0
Fine Arts	1.0
Physical Education	1.0
Electives	3.0
Health	.5
Career Preparedness A	.5
Career Preparedness B	.5
One hundred hours of Community Service	no credit
Total credits	28.5

St. John Paul II Catholic High School is a non-ranking school.

Numeric	Quality	Letter	Numeric	Quality
Value	Points	Grade	Value	Points
97-100	4.5	C+	77-79	2.5
93-96	4.25	C	73-76	2.25
90-92	4.0	C-	70-72	2.0
87-89	3.5	D+	68-69	1.5
83-86	3.25	D	66-67	1.25
80-82	3.0	D-	60-65	1.0
		F	Below 60	0.0
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358
Total enrollment
Grades 9-12

\$10.8M Merit Scholarships Awarded

8.8K Class of 2024 Service Hours Total

26% Scored 30 or higher on ACT (Class of 2025)

12:1
Student Teacher
Ratio

15.5
Average Class Size

38%

Students on tuition assistance

90%

AP pass rate with a score of 3 or higher

39% Ethnic Diversity

36
Faculty - 17 with advanced degrees

## DUAL ENROLLMENT for COLLEGE CREDIT

Offered through the University of Alabama at Huntsville, Auburn First, Alabama Early College, and Calhoun Community College to juniors and seniors.

### TEST SCORES (86 students)

S.A.T. Composite Scores (Class of 2024)

Subject	JPII	State	National
Evidence-Based Reading & Writing	619	586	529
Math	588	560	521

Advanced Placement - 11th & 12th Graders Total Scholars: 63 Average: 3.83

	AP Scholar	with Honor	with Distinction
Number of Scholars	31	14	18
Average Score	3.48	3.8	4.17

JPII CEEB: 011483

2024 AP School Honor Roll Gold

# SPONSORED ACCREDITED MEMBER

Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama National Catholic Education Association (NCEA) Alabama High School Athletic Association (AHSAA) Cognia

### National Merit Scholarship Corporation National Merit® Scholarships

Recognition Program Scholars: 3 Commended Scholars: 1

A.C.T. Composite Scores\*

	JPII	State	National
Composite Test Scores	23.0	18.0	19.4

\*Class of 2024 scores

Ranked #7 Best Private High Schools in Alabama by Niche.com (2025 Data)



### COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES - Classes of 2021-2025

Alabama A&M University **Auburn University** Ave Maria University **Bellarmine University Belmont University** Benedictine College Berea College Berry College **Binghampton University** Boston College **Boston University Bowling Green State University** Calhoun Community College **Denison University DePauw University** Drake Community & Technical College **Duke University** East Tennessee State University Eastern Kentucky University Faulkner University Florida Southern College Florida Southwestern State College Franciscan University of Steubenville Georgia Institute of Technology Georgia State University George Washington University Goshen College **Huntingdon College** 

Jacksonville State University LaGrange College Los Angeles Trade Technical College Loyola Marymount University Loyola University Marian Military Institute Massachusetts Institute of Technology Mercer University Milligan University Mississippi State University Missouri University of Science & Tech. Missouri Welding Institute Oakwood University Oklahoma City University Pace University Pittsburg State University **Rhodes College** Rose Hulman Institute of Technology **Rutgers University** Samford University Savannah College of Art and Design Sewanee: The University of the South Spelman College Syracuse University Tennessee State University Texas A&M University The College of William & Mary

The Ohio State University

The University of Alabama

The University of Utah **Troy University Tulane University** Tuskegee University U.S. Air Force Academy U.S. Military Academy at West Point University of Dallas University of Florida University of Kentucky University of Maryland Global Campus University of Miami University of Missouri - Columbia University of Montevallo University of North Alabama University of Notre Dame University of Richmond University of South Alabama University of Tampa University of Teneesee University of Washington Vanderbilt University Villanova University Virginia Tech University Wallace State Community College Wake Forest University Western Kentucky University University of Maryland

The University of Alabama at Birmingham

The University of Alabama in Huntsville

### **ATHLETICS**

**Howard University** 

The athletic program is open to all students under the direction of the coaches and the Athletic Director. Rules for eligibility and participation are outlined in a separate JPII and FCMS Athletic Program Handbook. The school is a member of the AHSAA (4A classification) and as such athletes must follow all rules of the AHSAA regarding eligibility & participation. Any questions regarding the Athletic Program may be addressed to the Athletic Director.