



Mater Dai Catholic High School

San Diego, California



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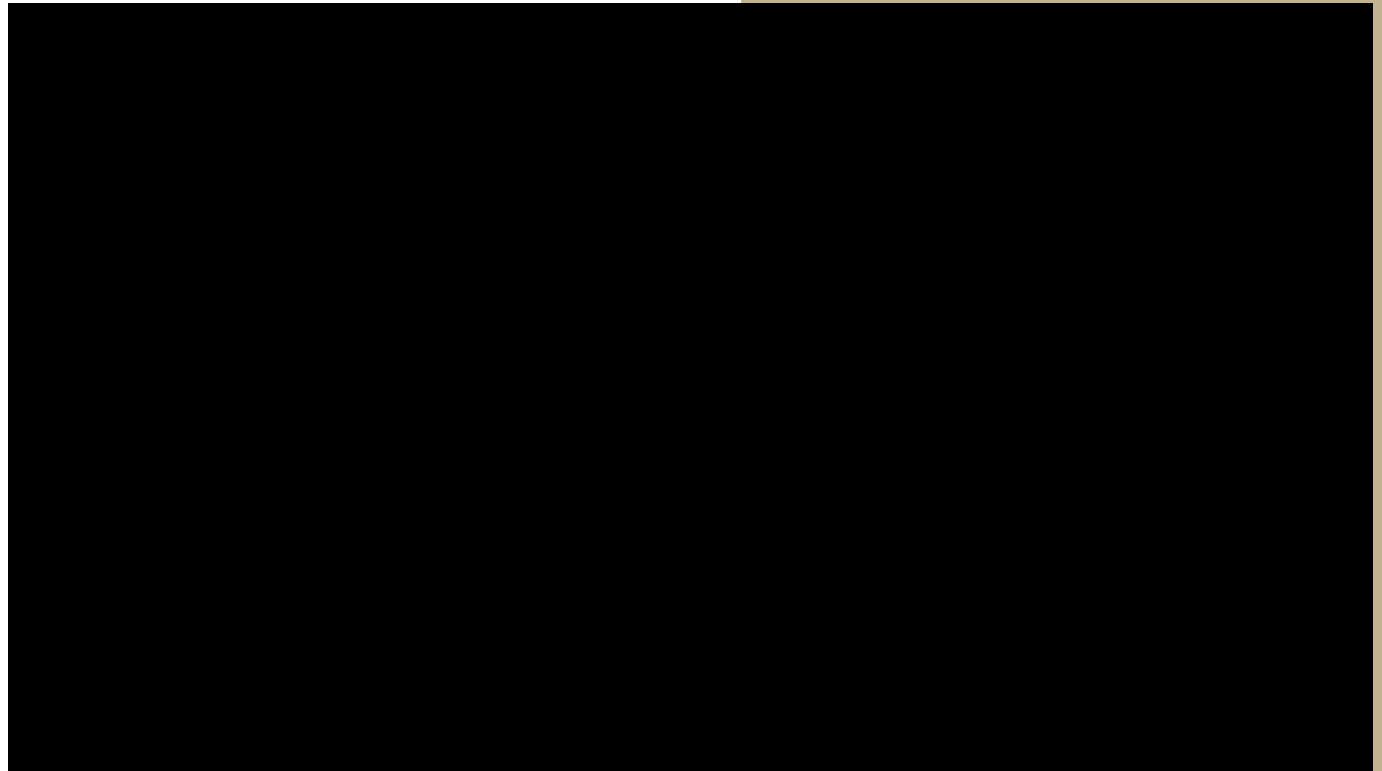
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School Address	1615 Mater Dei Dr, Chula Vista, CA 91913
Niche Ranking	A
Year Founded	1960
Campus	50 acres – built in 2007
School Type	Co-ed
School Grades	Grades 9 -12
Grade Accepted	Grades 9 -11
# of Students	1036
# of International Students	45 (from 7 different countries and regions)
Faculty to Student Ratio	1:16
Percentage of Teachers with Advanced Degrees	63%
Average ACT Score	31
# of AP and Honors Courses	30 +
University Acceptance Rate	100%
# of Athletics	27
# of Clubs	50 +
Technology Programs	Bring Your Own Device



Check out what life is like at
Mater Dei Catholic High School



Founded in 1960, Mater Dei Catholic High School is located on a beautiful, 48-acre campus with the state-of-the-art programs and facilities.

The school is home to the acclaimed Academy of Science, thriving digital entrepreneurship courses, a comprehensive visual and performing arts department, and an unrivaled team of student-athletes that have garnered continuous state championships, including the only back-to-back football state championships in San Diego high school history.

Mater Dei Catholic High School has been recognized by a variety of institutions for its excellence in education.

Mater Dei Catholic High School is accredited by :

- Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC)
- National Catholic Education Association (NCEA)

Awards from Niche

- **#21 Best High School for Athletes in California**
- **#33 Best Boarding High School in California**
- **#4 Best High School for Athletes in San Diego**



Mater Dei Catholic High School is located in Chula Vista, California – An affluent community with incredible natural beauty, located just 9 miles (14 km) from San Diego.

San Diego is known around the world for its incredible beaches, culture, food and year-round perfect weather.

CLOSE TO TOP-RANKING UNIVERSITIES

California Institute of Technology (#7) | University of Southern California (#28) | University of California, San Diego (#28) | Pepperdine University (#76) | University of San Diego (#98) | Pomona College (#4 Liberal Arts College)

HOME TO WORLD-RENOWNED ATTRACTIONS

Balboa Park | San Diego Zoo | Beaches | SeaWorld | **And Much More**

EASY ACCESS
TO SAN DIEGO
INTERNATIONAL
AIRPORT (SAN)



The Flagship ACADEMY OF SCIENCE Program

Overview

The Academy of Science is a unique, three-year program for advanced students with a passion for Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math. Students are guided from professionals from UCSD, USD and SDSU, to conduct university-level research, take advanced courses, participate in internships and receive mentorship from medical researchers and scientists.

Academic Field Trips

Students participate in hands-on field trips, including visits to hospitals, the National Weather Service and excursions to assist marine biologists with wildlife.

Successful Alumni

Past graduates from the Academy of Science have received a scholarship from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, earned full-ride scholarships to the University of California and received acceptances to Ivy League Universities.

Students in the academy have completed internships at:

- UC San Diego Oncofertility in Cancer Research
- UC San Diego School of Pharmacy in Computational Chemistry
- Aviation Careers Camp in Aerospace Engineering



SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Overview

In this unique course, students take part in six three-week blocks that focus on elements of starting a business. The class is taught by a retired Technology CEO. The students create and launch their own small businesses and learn about a wide range of technology.

Course Details

The Social Entrepreneurship course is made up of 6 Blocks, representing different projects and lessons. These blocks include:

- **Block One:** Writing an assessment piece and developing, writing and publishing a children's book
- **Block Two:** Students experience working with veterans in the industry, including experts from Pixar, to learn how a professional studio works
- **Block Three:** Students learn interviewing skills, and conduct interviews with professionals in the business industry to determine what they may be interested in launching
- **Block Four:** Students develop business plans, research feasibility for success and write their own business pitches
- **Block Five:** Students create their own business plan and prepare to launch
- **Block Six:** Students continue building their business, moving it towards launch. If applicable, students will receive assistance in website design, patent development and more



University of Alabama
American University*
 Arizona State University
University of Arizona
 Berklee College of Music
 Boston University**
 Brown University**
 California Institute of Technology**
 California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo
 University of California, Berkeley**
University of California, Davis**
University of California, Irvine**
 University of California, Los Angeles**
 University of California, Merced*
University of California, Riverside*
 University of California, San Diego**
 University of California, Santa Barbara**
University of California, Santa Cruz*
 Clark University
 The College of Wooster*
 Colorado State University
 University of Colorado, Boulder*
 Columbia University**
 Cornell University*
 University of Denver*
 Drexel University
 Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
 Florida International University
 Florida State University*
 Fordham University*

George Mason University
 George Washington University*
Gonzaga University*
 Harvey Mudd College**
 Hawaii Pacific University
 Hofstra University
 Howard University*
 Hult International Business School, San Francisco
University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign**
Illinois Institute of Technology
 Knox College*
 Los Angeles College of Music
 Los Angeles Film School
Loyola Marymount University*
Marquette University*
 Massachusetts Institute of Technology(MIT)**
 University of Massachusetts*
 University of Miami*
 Miami University, Oxford
Michigan State University*
 The New School - All Divisions
 New York University**
 Newbury College
 Northeastern University**
 Northwestern University**
 University of Notre Dame**
 Oregon State University

Pace University, New York City
 Pacific Lutheran University, Oregon
Pennsylvania State University*
Pepperdine University**
University of Portland
Purdue University**
 Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
 Rhode Island School of Design
 Rochester Institute of Technology
University of Rochester**
Rutgers University-New Brunswick*
 University of San Diego*
 Savannah College of Art and Design
 School of the Art Institute of Chicago
 Seattle University
 Seton Hall University
 University of Southern California**
University of South Florida
 St. Louis University
 St. Olaf College*
 Syracuse University*
SUNY, Binghamton*
Syracuse University*
Temple University
 Texas A&M University*
 Trinity International University
 Tulane University**
 Villanova University**
University of Washington*
 Whittier College

Top University Acceptances



COLUMBIA
UNIVERSITY



Bold indicates an international student acceptance

*** Indicates US News and World Report
Top 50 University or Top 50 Liberal Arts College*

** Indicates US News and World Report
Top 100 University or Top 100 Liberal Arts College*



“Mater Dei is a loving and accepting community to all students. Regardless of your background, you can find your own place in the school. Your traces in this school matter. You matter.”

— Floria,
Class of 2023, and is currently studying at
University of California, Berkeley



ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

- Creative Writing
- English 9-12 (College Prep, AP)
- Speech
- World Fiction

MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT

- Algebra (College Prep, Honors)
- Calculus (College Prep, AP)
- Geometry (College Prep, Honors)

PHYSICAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

- Intro to Dance
- Mind, Body, Wellness
- Physical Education
- Swimming
- Weight Training

SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

- Anatomy and Physiology
- Biology (College Prep, Honors, AP)
- Chemistry (College Prep, Honors, AP)
- Earth and Space Science
- Forensic Science
- Intro to Engineering
- Physics (College Prep, AP)
- Sports Medicine

SOCIAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT

- American Pop Culture
- Economics
- Psychology (Dual Credit)
- US History (College Prep, AP)
- World Cultures

VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS DEPARTMENT

- Art
- Ceramics
- Computer Graphics
- Digital Photography
- Film Studies
- Music
- Theater
- Video Production

WORLD LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT

- French (College Prep, Honors, AP)
- Spanish (College Prep, Honors, AP)

Mater Dei Catholic High School Sample Schedule

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
BLOCK 1 AP US History	BLOCK 1 AP US History	BLOCK 5 English 3	BLOCK 4 Introduction to Theater	Study Hall
BLOCK 2 Earth Space Science				
BLOCK 3 Intermediate Academic Reading and Composition	BLOCK 2 Earth Space Science	BLOCK 6 Theology: Divine Revelations	BLOCK 2 Earth Space Science	BLOCK 6 Theology: Divine Revelations
BLOCK 4 Introduction to Theater				
BLOCK 5 English 3	BLOCK 3 Intermediate Academic Reading and Composition	BLOCK 7 Algebra 2/Trig	BLOCK 3 Intermediate Academic Reading and Composition	BLOCK 7 Algebra 2/Trig
Lunch				
BLOCK 6 Theology: Divine Revelations	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
BLOCK 7 Algebra 2/Trig	BLOCK 4 Introduction to Theater	Study Hall	BLOCK 1 AP US History	BLOCK 5 English 3
FACULTY MEETINGS				

27 ATHLETIC TEAMS, WITH 8 STATE TITLES AND 113 LEAGUE TITLES

- Baseball
- Basketball
- Cheer
- Cross Country
- Football
- Golf
- Lacrosse
- Rugby
- Soccer
- Softball
- Swimming
- Tennis
- Track
- Volleyball
- Water Polo
- Wrestling

Mater Dei Catholic High School offers 27 award-winning athletic teams, which have won:
145 League Championships | **45** CIF Championships | **9** Regional Championships |
6 State Championship

Athletic Facilities:

- Aquatic Center
- Outdoor Stadium (football, soccer, track, lacrosse)
- Locker Rooms
- Gymnasium
- Weight room
- Baseball/Softball Fields

70% of students participate in athletics, and each sport has varsity and junior varsity options.

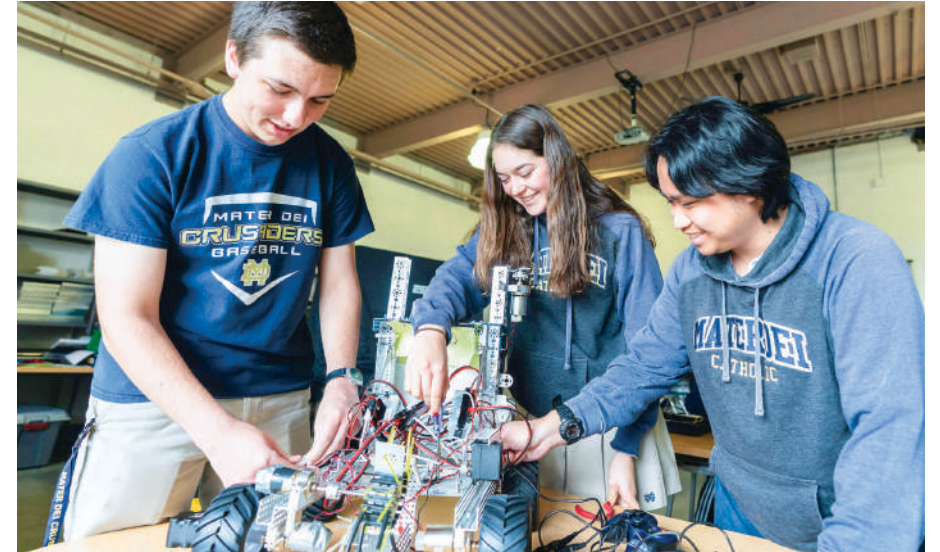
International Student Sports Eligibility is subject to both school and local sports league regulations. For more information, please reach out to our International Department.



The school has over 50+ student-led clubs that allow students to explore their passions with their own peers and faculty.

Extracurricular Clubs Include

- Animal Rescue Club
- Art Club
- Asian Pacific Islanders Club (APIC)
- Asian Pop Culture Club
- Chess Club
- Choir
- Club Latino Americano
- Comic Club
- Creative Writing Club
- Crusader Records
- Culinary Club
- Debate Club
- eSports Club
- Fiber Arts Club
- Future Medical Careers Club
- Girl Up Club
- Hiking Club
- Investment Club
- Journaling Club
- Lacrosse
- Mater Dei Welcoming Club
- MDCHS Dance Club
- Model UN
- Music Club
- NBA Fan Club
- Ping Pong Club
- Quiz Bowl
- Robotics
- School Newspaper
- Tutoring
- Ukulele Club
- And Many More!



Residence

Mater Dei international students live in fully-staffed, comfortable residences near the school campus.

Residence



THE RESIDENCE INCLUDES:

- On-site, 24/7 Amerigo Staff
- Spacious, Single Gender Apartments
- Shared Community Spaces For Meals, Study Time And Recreational Activities
- In-Unit Laundry (Washer And Dryer)
- High Speed Wi-fi
- Large Closets
- Bright, Sun-Filled Units
- A Spacious Kitchen In Each Unit

**CULTURAL IMMERSION ACTIVITIES
MAY INCLUDE TRIPS TO:**

- Restaurants
- Shopping Malls
- Museums
- Universities
- Sporting Events
- Amusement Parks
- The Beach

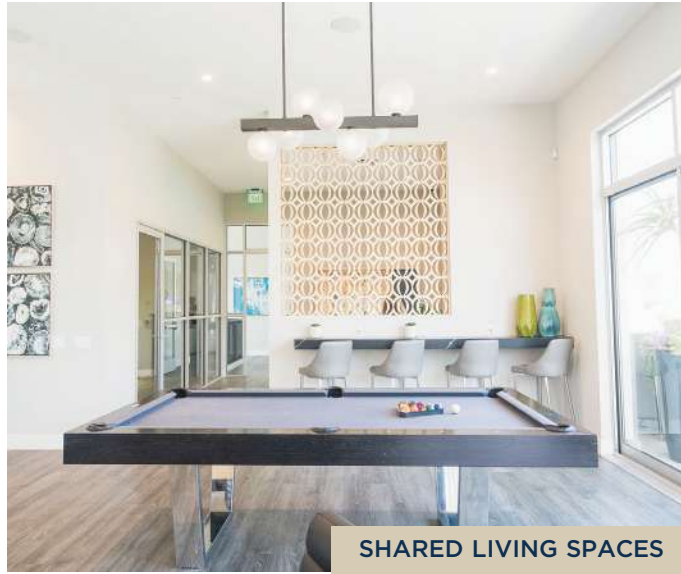
And Much More!

COMMUNITY AMENITIES INCLUDE:

- Fitness Center
- Resort-Style Pool
- Community Outdoor Space
- Golf Simulator
- Game Room
- Entertainment Room
- Easy Access to Basketball and Tennis Courts

**SAFETY FEATURES INCLUDE:**

- Door Cameras In The Apartments (Not Bedrooms)
- Orah, A Residence App That Allows Staff To Maintain A Safe And Engaged Experience For Students
- Life 360, An App That Allows Staff Members To Understand Student Location
- Curfew Hours
- Free Time Rules, With Both Structured Activities And Free Time Opportunities
- 24/7 Emergency Care
- Helping Students To Open Bank Accounts And Get Sim Cards For Mobile Phones



SHARED LIVING SPACES



STUDENT BEDROOMS



POOL AREA



COMMUNAL STUDY SPACES



SHARED KITCHEN SPACES



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