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PROFILE 2015-2016 ACADEMIC YEAR

THE SCHOOL

Cornelia Connelly School of the Holy Child is a Catholic, independent, college preparatory school for young women, grades 9 - 12. Established in 1961, the School takes its name from Cornelia Connelly, who founded the Society of the Holy Child Jesus in 1846. The School is sponsored by the Sisters of the Holy Child. The Society operates schools – preschool through college level - in the United States, Europe and Africa. Ethnically diverse, Connelly draws students from a wide geographic area, including Orange, Los Angeles, Riverside and San Bernardino counties.

Admission is selective. Students submit an application with junior high grades, a personal essay and recommendations. They are chosen on the basis of commitment to learning, their application information, an interview and entrance examination scores.

MISSION & PHILOSOPHY

Cornelia Connelly School inspires young women to achieve academic excellence and develop into confident, articulate young leaders who are guided by Catholic principles to serve our global society. A Roman Catholic, independent, college-preparatory high school for girls, Cornelia Connelly School promotes academic excellence, faith development, global consciousness, and moral and ethical behavior.

ACCREDITATION

California Association of Independent Schools, Holy Child Network of Schools, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, Western Catholic Educational Association

MEMBERSHIPS

American Alliance for Health Physical Education Recreation Dance, American College of Medical Science, American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Language, American Historical Association, American Library Association, American School Counselor Association, Association of Independent School Librarians, Association for Supervision & Curriculum Development, California Association of School Counselors, California Interscholastic Federation, California Language Teacher Association, California Science Teacher Association, Independent School Management, National Association for College Admission Counseling, National and California Associations of Independent Schools, National Catholic Education Association, National Coalition of Girls' Schools, National Council of Teachers of English, National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, National Federation of High Schools, National Honor Society, National Science Teachers Association, Orange County American Chemical Society Education Committee, Phi Delta Kappa International, The College Board, Western Catholic Educational Association

NUMBERS	Current enrollment: 170 Average class size: 17 Faculty/Staff: 37	Seniors: 47 [2 PhDs, 18 Master's Degrees]	
SCHEDULE	Two semester system with a rotating block schedule. Each class meets four times every 7 day cycle for 280 minutes: 70-70-70-70.		
GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS	Community Service (80 hours) English (8 semesters) Fine Arts (3 semesters) World Language (6 semesters) Mathematics (6 semesters beginning with Algebra I)	Physical Education (4 semesters) Religious Studies (8 semesters) Science (6 semesters) Social Studies (6 semesters)	
HONORS COURSES	Advanced Handbells Advanced Vocal Ensemble Algebra I Algebra II/Trigonometry Biology Chemistry	Economics English I English II English III English IV Geometry	Latin III Mandarin III Physics Pre-calculus Spanish III World History
AP COURSES	Biology Calculus AB Calculus BC Chemistry Chinese English Language	English Literature Government Latin Spanish Language Studio Art United States History	
GRADING	The current grading scale is as follows:		
	A+ = 98-100 B+ = 87-89 C+ = 77-79 D+ = 67-69 F = <60	A = 93-97 B = 83-86 C = 73-76 D = 63-66	A- = 90-92 B- = 80-82 C- = 70-72 D- = 60-62
GPA	The GPA is reported both weighted and unweighted based on ninth, tenth and eleventh grades. It is recalculated at the end of each semester of the senior year. Only academic, 5 credit courses are included.		
CLASS RANK	Since Connelly is a small, solely college preparatory school with competitive admissions, rank-in-class is not used.		
TRI-SCHOOL THEATRE	This award-winning program offers students arts exposure and training for all grades and theater experience levels. Tri-School Theatre offers classes in acting, musical theatre, and technical theatre. Other opportunities include an improve team, 3-4 mainstage productions a year, a critical writing team, mentorship, and showcase of student work. "Tri-School Theatre is an educational theatre ministry that uses the performing arts as a way for students to discover themselves and to nurture their God-given talents through process-oriented training in a Christ-centered environment."		
ATHLETICS	Connelly is affiliated with the Express and San Joaquin Leagues in the Western Athletic conference of C.I.F. Swimming and Golf cross-league to the Del Rey League. The school fields competitive teams in Basketball, Cross Country, Golf, Soccer, Softball, Swimming, Tennis, and Volleyball.		

AP EXAMS	2015	99 exams taken	81% of students scored 3 or higher
NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM	2011 – 2015	Commended	22

CLASS OF 2015 WEIGHTED GPA DISTRIBUTION (48 students total)

GPA	# of students
4.50-4.77	3
4.49-4.25	7
4.24-4.00	2
3.99-3.75	7
3.74-3.50	11
3.49-3.25	7
3.24-3.00	5
<3.0	

2015 TESTING INFORMATION

	SAT	Math	Writing	ACT
	Critical Reading			Composite
Connelly 75 th Percentile	610	630	600	
Connelly 50 th Percentile	560	530	540	24.9

Cornelia Connelly School's ACT and SAT averages are above the state and national averages for female test takers. Please see the Cornelia Connelly School website for state and national averages.

The latest in technology is available to Connelly students; including SMART Board® technology in all classrooms and iPads used for course work across disciplines. An IDEAS Center (STEM Lab) is available to students to foster creativity and collaboration in a hands-on learning environment.

Connelly students have a wide range of clubs and activities available. Some clubs focus on community service, while others focus on students' special interests. Activities range from Connelly traditions such as Sprit Week and Class Plays, to co-curricular events and dances with students from our brother school, Servite, also located in Anaheim. Additionally, students can participate in Mock Trial, National Honors Society (NHS), Robotics, as well as Associated Student Body (ASB) Offices. Connelly also has a Cheer squad that performs at both Connelly and Servite athletic events. Juniors and seniors have the opportunity to take a Close Up trip to Washington D.C., where students from around the nation meet for a conference and observe our nation's government in action. International trips are available each year, as well as domestic and international exchange programs with other Holy Child Schools.



Classes of 2013, 2014 and 2015 College Acceptances

Adelphi University	Loyola Marymount University	The University of California
American University	Loyola University, Chicago	Berkeley
Arizona State University	Loyola University, Maryland	Riverside
Assumption College	Lynchburg College	Davis
Benedictine College	Mahidolu University	San Diego
Birmingham Southern University	Marist College	Irvine
Boise State University	Marquette University	Los Angeles
Boston College	Marymount California University	Merced
Boston University	Marymount University	University of Arizona
Brandeis University	Maryville University	University of Colorado, Boulder
Bryant University	Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences	University of Connecticut
California Polytechnic University Pomona San Luis Obispo	Mercyhurst University	University of Dallas
California State University	Miami University of Ohio	University of Denver
Channel Islands Monterey Bay	Michigan State University	University of Illinois, Urbana Champaign
Chico Northridge	Mount St. Mary's College	University of La Verne
Dominguez Hills Sacramento	New York University	University of Mary
East Bay San Diego	Northeastern University	University of Massachusetts, Amherst
Fresno San Francisco	Northern Arizona University	University of Mississippi
Fullerton San Jose	Notre Dame de Namur University	University of Nevada, Las Vegas
Long Beach San Marcos	Notre Dame of Maryland	University of Nevada, Reno
Los Angeles Sonoma	Ohio State University	University of New England
Maritime Academy	Pace University	University of New Hampshire
Carroll College	Pacific University of Oregon	University of New Haven
Case Western Reserve University	Parsons School of Design	University of Notre Dame
Chapman University	Penn State University	University of Oregon
College of the Holy Cross	Pepperdine University	University of Pittsburgh
College of New Jersey	Point Loma University	University of Portland
Concordia University, Irvine	Randolph College	University of Puget Sound
Cornell University	Regis University	University of Redlands
DePaul University	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	University of San Diego
Dominican University	Roanoke College	University of San Francisco
Drexel University	Rosemont College	University of Southern California
Fairfield University	Sacred Heart University	University of the Pacific
Fordham University	Samford University	University of Vermont
Franciscan University of Steubenville	St. Edwards	University of Washington, Seattle
Georgia Southern University	St. John's University	University of Wisconsin, Madison
Gonzaga University	St. Mary's College of California	Villanova University
Grand Canyon University	St. Mary's College, Indiana	Wagner University
High Point University	St. Michael's College	West Coast University
Hiram College	Salve Regina University	Westmont College
Holy Names University	Santa Clara University	Wellesley College
Hope College	Scripps College	Willamette University
John Paul the Great Catholic University	Seattle University	Whittier College
Johns Hopkins University	Seattle Pacific University	Whitworth University
Kansas State University	Seton Hall University	Xavier University
La Salle University	Smith College	Xavier University of Louisiana
La Sierra University	Southern Oregon University	
LeMoyné College	Sweet Briar College	
Lesley University	Syracuse University	
Lewis & Clark University	Texas A&M University	
Linfield College	Texas Christian University	