

# High School at Evangelical Christian School



**EVANGELICAL**  
**CHRISTIAN SCHOOL**

# Academics

## Core courses for High School at ECS:

- 4 English
- 4 Math
- 4 Natural Science
- 4 Social Science
- 2 Foreign Language
- 4 Bible
- 4 Electives (2 need to be Practical/Performing Art electives)
- 1 Health/PE
- 26 credits required to graduate from ECS



# Academics

## All College Prep Classes - Classes offered



- Natural Science Courses

- Physical Science
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Anatomy & Physiology
- Medical Anatomy
- Marine Science
- Physics
- AP courses offered
- Dual Enrollment courses offered

- Mathematics Courses

- Algebra I
- Geometry
- Algebra II
- Pre-Calculus
- Calculus
- College Algebra
- AP course offered
- Dual Enrollment courses offered

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## All College Prep Classes - Classes offered



- Social Science/History Courses

- American Government
- World Cultural Geography
- World History
- U.S. History
- Economics
- Financial Literacy
- AP courses offered
- Dual Enrollment courses offered

- English Courses

- English 9
- English 10
- English 11
- English 12
- AP courses offered
- Dual Enrollment courses offered

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## All College Prep Classes - Classes offered



- Bible Courses
  - Bible 9
  - Bible 10
  - Bible 11
  - Bible 12
  - Dual Enrollment courses offered
- Foreign Language Courses
  - Spanish I, II, & III
  - ASL I, II, & III
  - French I, II
- Additional Courses
  - Speech and Debate

# Academics

## Required courses for 9th grade:



- English (Regular & Honors)
- Algebra I or Geometry Honors (Prerequisite: Algebra I Honors in 8th grade)
- Physical Science or Biology Honors (Prerequisite: Physical Science Honors in 8th grade)
- World Cultural Geography (Regular & Honors)
- American Government and Politics (Regular, Honors, or AP)
- Biblical History (Regular & Honors)
- Physical Education/Health
- Electives

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## All College Prep Classes - AP Courses



- AP Biology (every other year)
- AP Chemistry (every other year)
- AP Physics
- AP Lang/Comp (11th grade)
- AP Lit/Comp (12th grade)
- AP US Government and Politics (9th grade)
- AP World History (10th grade)
- AP US History (11th grade)
- AP Calculus AB
- AP Music Theory (TBD)

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## Dual Enrollment Opportunities



- Southeastern University (SEU): both in-person and online course offerings
  - In-person offerings are taught by ECS staff/faculty who hold a master's degree in the subject area
- University of Florida (UF): online course offerings only
- GPAs and standardized test scores are used to determine eligibility

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## SEU Dual Enrollment Classes Offered On Campus\*



- DE U.S. History I & II (11th grade)
- DE Old Testament Survey (11th grade)
- DE New Testament Survey (11th grade)
- DE Biology - with lab (11th & 12th grade)
- DE Nutrition Science - with lab (11th & 12th grade)
- DE College Algebra (12th grade)
- DE Introduction to Probability and Statistics (12th grade)

**\*These DE classes are taught by ECS teachers who hold a Master's Degree in the subject area. These ECS teachers teach the courses through Southeastern University. ECS students taking DE classes have these classes listed on their college transcripts. ECS students need a 3.5 weighted GPA and to meet standardized test score requirements to take any DE classes through SEU while at ECS.**

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## SEU Dual Enrollment Classes Offered Online\*

- Introduction to Humanities (11th & 12th grade)
- Essentials of Business (11th & 12th grade)
- Lived Theology (11th & 12th grade)
- Introduction to Psychology (11th & 12th grade)
- Introduction to Sociology (11th & 12th grade)
- Personal Finance (11th & 12th grade)
- Composition I & II
  - College Composition (12th grade)
  - Professional Communication (12th grade)

**\*Please note: these online DE offerings are subject to change semester to semester. Listed above are the current online offerings through SEU. Students are required to have a 3.5 weighted GPA in order to take any DE classes.**

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## UF Dual Enrollment Classes Offered Online\*



- List of course offerings to be determined

**\*Please note: these online DE offerings are subject to change semester to semester. Listed above are the current online offerings through SEU. ECS students taking DE classes have these classes listed on their college transcripts. Students are required to have a 3.6 unweighted GPA and must meet standardized test score requirements to take any DE classes through UF while at ECS.**

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## High School Electives



- The High School Graduation Requirement for electives is as follows:
  - Students must take four total electives
    - 0.5 High School Credits each = 2 High School Credits
  - Two of the four electives are required to be a Practical/Performing Art elective.
- Our current elective courses are provided on the following slides.
- \*Please note: these electives are subject to change year to year

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## Practical/Performing Elective Offerings



- Art
- Drama/Musical Theatre
- Choir
- Orchestra
- Band
- Mock Trial

- Photography
- Aviation
- Video Production
- Journalism/Yearbook
- Robotics
- AP Music Theory

- Online Options
  - Digital Literacy
  - Web Development
  - Computer Systems

**\*Please note: some of the elective choices require an application. Also, some of the following elective options are only available during certain grades while in High School**

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## Other Elective Offerings



- Medical Science Program
- Weightlifting (Boys & Girls)
- Team Sports (Boys)
- Fitness Lifestyle Design (Girls)
- Aquaponics
- ACT/SAT Prep
- Essential Skills Lab
- Study Hall
- Study Hall with study skills emphasis

- Online Options
  - College Planner
  - Essentials of Business

- Online Options through “The Kings Academy”
  - Introduction to Law
  - Business Law
  - Criminal Law & Procedure
  - Honors Constitutional Law
  - Criminal Law

**\*Please note: some of the elective choices require an application. Also, some of the following elective options are only available during certain grades while in High School**

# High School Transcripts



- Weighted and Unweighted Grade Point Average (GPA)
- Your transcript starts in 9th grade
  - \*\*\*Unless the student has taken Algebra I Honors and/or Physical Science Honors for High School credit in 8th grade
- Cumulative GPA = your GPA is calculated after every semester
- Community Service Hours earned during each year of High School
  - You can start counting hours the summer before your freshman year
- Achievements are included on the transcript
  - These achievements are specific to ECS and can include things related to athletics, arts, student senate, NHS, etc.

# Community Service Hours



- Students are required to earn at least 10 hours of community service per quarter, which equates to 40 hours per year
- If a student completes the ECS minimum community service requirement, they should have earned 160 total hours by graduation
  - Please note: the FAS award (100% tuition) for Florida Bright Futures only requires 100 hours of community service
  - Please note: the FMS award (75% tuition) for Florida Bright Futures only requires 75 hours of community service
- Ideas:
  - Church, Vet, Animal Shelter, Thrift stores, Humane Society, Local Hospitals, Hope Hospice, Little League, VBS over the summer, Alliance for the Arts Summer Camps, Food Bank, Summer Camps, etc.

# Looking Toward the Future



- Colleges are looking for:
  - GPA
  - Standardized Test Scores (SAT/ACT)
  - Higher level classes (Honors, AP, DE)
  - Effort
  - Involvement
  - Leadership
  - Well-roundedness
  - Please note: all of these should be consistently maintained all four years of high school
- Ask yourself: “What makes you stand out?”

# Qualifications



- ECS students qualify for the NCAA and NAIA in our course of study.
  - NCAA = National Collegiate Athletic Association
  - NAIA = National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics
- ECS students qualify for Florida Bright Futures in our course of study.
  - FAS (Florida Academic Scholarship) = 100% coverage of tuition fees to a public Florida university/college
  - FMS (Florida Medallion Scholarship) = 75% coverage of tuition fees to a public Florida university/college
- ECS students qualify for scholarships for college.

# High School Trips & Activities



- 9th Grade: Freshman Welcome Night & Trip to TreeUmph in Bradenton
- 10th: TBD
- 11th Grade: Junior Retreat
- 12th Grade: Senior Trip to New York
- Additional Trip Offerings:
  - International Leadership Trips
  - Mission Trips

# High School Clubs & Activities



- Homecoming Week
- Homecoming Banquet
- RECHARGE (aka Spiritual Emphasis Week)
- Student Government (aka Student Senate)
- National Honor Society (applications open for students at the end of 10th grade year)
- Girls Bible Study and Boys Bible Study
- Chapel & Worship Team
- Robotics Competitions
- Spring Broadway Style Musical
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA)

# High School Clubs & Activities



- Sentinel Service Club
- Chess Club
- Math Club
- Science Club
- Mock Trial Club
- Literature and Arts Society Club
- Pickleball Club
- Pep Club
- TPUSA's Club America
- Awareness of Human Trafficking Club
- Claws and Paws Club
- SENT to Serve Club
- HOSA - Future Health Professionals

# What else sets ECS apart from other local High Schools?

- Individualized attention from Christian Teachers, Christian Administrators, and Christian Coaches
- Biblical Worldview throughout the ECS curriculum
- AP and Dual Enrollment courses taught with a Biblical Worldview
- Chapel once a week focusing on real world topics
- One-on-one meetings with the College Counselor when going through the College application process
- Canvas is used by our students (this is used by most colleges and universities)
- ECS hosts the Christian College Fair each Fall during school



# What else sets ECS apart from other local High Schools?

- Each teacher offers Help Class once a week
- ACT/SAT Prep offered as an elective
- PSAT/NMSQT and Pre-ACT testing to help prepare students for formal nationalized testing
- SAT and ACT are offered during the school day for Juniors and Seniors
- Sentinel Scholar Program
- Pre-Professional Programs
  - Medical Science Program, Pre-Law Program, Aviation Program



# Counselors' Hub Website

Launched August 2026!



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*Counselors' Hub*

Link: <https://sites.google.com/goecs.org/counselors-hub/home>

# College Counselor/School Counselor Information

We are so excited to be a part of your story! You are loved at ECS!

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