



Bellarmino Preparatory School

Tacoma, Washington



Private school

Coeducational

22 average class size

Homestay managed by



Day school only

900 total students

Catholic Affiliation

About

Bellarmino Preparatory School: Nurturing Leaders of Tomorrow in the Heart of Tacoma

Nestled atop a serene hill overlooking Tacoma, Washington, Bellarmine Preparatory School has been a beacon of Jesuit education since its founding in 1928. With a steadfast commitment to academic excellence and holistic development, Bellarmine prepares students to lead lives of leadership, compassion, and service.

Academic Excellence and Holistic Development

At Bellarmine, education transcends traditional academics. The school offers a rigorous college preparatory curriculum that challenges students to think critically and engage deeply with their studies. With an average class size of 22 and a student-to-teacher ratio of 14:1, personalized attention is a hallmark of the Bellarmine experience. The faculty, 70% of whom hold advanced degrees, are dedicated to fostering intellectual competence, spiritual growth, and a commitment to justice among their students.

State-of-the-Art Facilities

The 42-acre campus is a harmonious blend of historic charm and modern innovation. Key facilities include Bellarmine Hall, housing administrative offices and classrooms; Snyder Hall, dedicated to mathematics and science; and the Connelly Campus Center, which serves as a hub for student activities and dining. The campus also features two gymnasiums, a fitness center, and extensive outdoor athletic facilities, providing students with ample opportunities for physical development and recreation.

Vibrant Arts and Athletics Programs

Bellarmino's commitment to the arts is evident in its diverse offerings, including visual arts, theater, and music programs that encourage creative expression and cultural appreciation. Athletically, the school offers several sports teams, competing in the 4A South Puget Sound League. With a history of excellence, Bellarmine has secured 60 state titles, reflecting the dedication and talent of its student-athletes.

Innovative Special Programs

Embracing the Jesuit tradition of *cura personalis*, or care for the whole person, Bellarmine offers programs that extend learning beyond the classroom. Students engage in community service, retreats, and leadership development initiatives that cultivate empathy, ethical

Academic

Admission requirements

Ages accepted: **14-18**

Accepting grade: **Grade 9 to Postgraduate**

ELTIS 2: **700**

TOEFL: **70**

Duolingo: **105**

Interview: **Yes**

Accepts graduate students: **Yes**

Host family requirements: **No School HF Req**

Academic stats

Diploma year offered: **No**

English as Second Language (ESL) support: **No**

1+1 School: **Yes**

Total Student Roll: **900**

School Features

Subjects

English Language and Composition	English Literature and Composition
Journalism	Yearbook
Economics	Chinese
French	Spanish
Spanish Language and Culture	Calculus
Calculus AB	Calculus BC
Statistics	Leadership Studies
Sports Medicine	Chemistry
Environmental Science	Marine Science
Physics 1	Physics C: Mechanics
US Government and Politics	US History
World History	Computer Programming
Computer Science A	

Arts

Ceramics	Design	Drawing
Painting	Photography	Sculpture

Music

Chamber Orchestra	Concert Chorus	Jazz Choir
Percussion	Vocal Chamber Ensemble	Wind Ensemble

Sports

American Football	Baseball	Basketball
Cross Country Running	Golf	Lacrosse
Sailing	Soccer	Softball
Tennis	Track	Volleyball
Wrestling		

Extracurricular

Model United Nations (Model UN)	Robotics Club
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