



Private School

"I was accepted to the University of Hawaii at Manoa with a scholarship, and I will study fashion design and merchandising. This is my third year in Michigan, and I'm thankful for everything I learned about friendship, family, and growing as a person."

Yuxuan from China

West Catholic High School

Michigan

West Catholic High School is a private college-preparatory high school in Grand Rapids offering strong academics, engineering pathways, and competitive athletics. The school is known for high college enrollment rates, advanced coursework, and a balanced focus on academics, arts, and student leadership.



PRIVATE



COED



CITY



SPORTS



ARTS



DIPLOMA
YEAR

Quick Facts

Founded: 1962

Students: Co-educational

Climate: Cold winters / Warm summers

Population: 200,000

High School Population: 494

Accepting students: Grade 9-12

Diploma Year offered: Yes

Interview Required? Yes

English as Second Language (ESL) support: Yes

University Acceptance rate: 92%

Academic Excellence

West Catholic High School delivers a rigorous college-preparatory curriculum supported by **Advanced Placement and dual enrollment opportunities**. Students can pursue coursework across **STEM, humanities, and fine arts, with particular strengths in engineering, robotics, and computer science**. The school offers an engineering track that introduces mechanical systems, electronics, and programming, alongside participation in competitive robotics. Faculty provide structured academic guidance, and more than 90% of graduates continue to higher education. Partnerships with local colleges expand access to college-level learning while maintaining strong academic foundations across disciplines.

Student Accomplishments

- FIRST Robotics Team Enigma 2075 placed 4th at an international competition
- State championship titles across multiple athletic programs
- Recognition as a "School of Excellence" by the Cardinal Newman Society

Recent University Acceptances

- Boise State University
- Bradley University
- Butler University
- Central Michigan University
- DePaul University
- Grand Valley State University
- Holy Cross College
- Indiana Tech University
- Marquette University
- Michigan State University
- Northern Michigan University
- Oakland University
- Purdue University
- Saginaw Valley State University
- Stanford University
- Trine University
- University of California
- University of Denver
- University of Iowa
- University of Michigan
- University of Notre Dame
- University of Pittsburgh
- University of Toledo
- University of Washington
- Yale University



Stats

16

of AP Courses

16:1

Student Teacher Ratio

65%

Teachers with Advanced Degrees

92%

University and College Acceptance

23

Average Class Size

9-12

Grades at School

26

Average ACT Score

1164

Average SAT Score

Campus Facilities

The campus supports academic and extracurricular learning through **modern science labs, technology-equipped classrooms, and dedicated engineering and robotics spaces.** Arts facilities include **visual arts studios and a performing arts theater** used for concerts and productions. Athletic facilities support year-round training and competition across multiple sports. Campus spaces are designed to encourage collaboration, hands-on learning, and student engagement throughout the school day.

Athletics and Arts

West Catholic fields over 25 athletic teams and has a strong tradition of competitive success at the state level. Programs emphasize teamwork, discipline, and leadership, with students participating in sports such as football, basketball, track and field, wrestling, and soccer.

Students explore creative interests through visual arts, music, and theater. Arts programs support both technical skill development and performance opportunities.



Highlights

Sports: Baseball, Basketball, Bowling, Competitive Cheer, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Gymnastics, Hockey, LaCrosse, Ski, Soccer, Softball, Swimming/Diving, Tennis, Track & Field, Volleyball, Wrestling

Arts: 2D Art and Design, Art Design, Digital Photography and Design, Drawing, Graphic Design, Portfolio Studio Art, Band, Concert Band, Concert Choir, Jazz Band

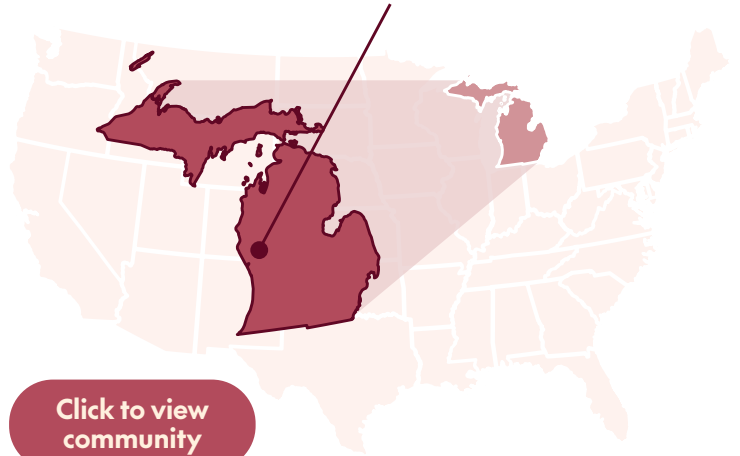
Advanced Placement courses: Biology, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Chemistry, Computer Science Principles, English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, Environmental Science, Human Geography, Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, Physics 1, Psychology, Statistics, US Government and Politics, US History, World History

Languages Offered: Chinese, French, German, Latin, Spanish

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Community

West Catholic High School is located in Grand Rapids, Michigan's second-largest city, with a population exceeding 200,000. The city is known for its **museums, arts festivals, outdoor recreation, and vibrant downtown**. The nearest major airport is Gerald R. Ford International Airport (GRR), offering convenient domestic and international travel access.



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Climate in Grand Rapids

Four-season climate with cold winters, mild springs, warm summers, and colorful autumns.



"Life at West Catholic has been a really good experience. I have met so many amazing people and have taken classes that have made me feel ready for college or my future. The best part of school is definitely the culture and extra curricular activities."

Student

"The people are so nice... Educatius really protects the students and cares about them."

Alejandro from Spain

Video

Learn more about the school

