

Private School

"Nativity is a close-knit community. The small class sizes allow for efficient instruction. Spirituality is emphasized. There are many opportunities for students to worship and to serve others!"

Parent

Notre Dame - Bishop Gibbons School New York

Notre Dame – Bishop Gibbons School is a private, co-educational college-preparatory high school in upstate New York offering Regents, Honors, AP, and dual credit courses. The school is distinguished by national academic recognition, small class sizes, and a Diploma Year option for international students.



PRIVATE



CO-ED



CITY



STEM



ARTS



SPORTS

Quick Facts

Founded: 1958

Niche.com Score: A-

Students: Co-educational

Total School Enrollment: 220

Religious Affiliation: Catholic

Accepting students: Grades 6-12th

Diploma Year offered: Yes

English as Second Language (ESL) support: No

Interview Required? Yes

University Acceptance Rate: 100%

Academic Excellence

Notre Dame – Bishop Gibbons School offers a rigorous college-preparatory curriculum including Regents, Honors, Advanced Placement, and dual credit courses. Instruction emphasizes critical thinking, analytical writing, and problem solving across disciplines. Small class size supports individualized academic guidance and close faculty mentorship. The school has earned the National Blue Ribbon Award and has been recognized by U.S. News & World Report among the top high schools in New York State. Graduates achieve a 100% university acceptance rate, enrolling in selective public and private institutions across the United States.

Student Accomplishments

- National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence (2021)
- Consistent recognition among top New York State high schools
- High SAT and ACT performance above national averages



Recent University Acceptances

- Albany College of Pharmacy
- Rochester Institute of Technology
- Binghamton University
- Siena College
- Boston College
- Syracuse University
- Clarkson University
- Stony Brook University
- Fordham University
- University at Albany
- Georgia Institute of Technology
- University of Buffalo Hudson
- Valley Community College
- Union College
- Ithaca College
- University of Rochester
- LeMoyne College
- University of Vermont
- New York University
- Wesleyan University
- Northeastern University
- Rensselaer Polytechnic University



Stats

18 Average Class Size	100% University Acceptance Rate	#2 Best Catholic High Schools in Albany Area	
6:1 Student-Teacher Ratio	#6 Best Private High Schools in Albany Area	1240 Average SAT Score	

Campus Facilities

The campus includes modern academic classrooms, four fully equipped science laboratories, computer labs, and a media center supporting research and independent study. Students have access to athletic facilities including a gymnasium and outdoor fields for baseball, softball, and soccer. Visual and performing arts spaces support music, theater, and studio arts. Facilities are designed to support both academic rigor and daily student life within a compact campus environment.

Athletics and Arts

Athletics are offered across fall, winter, and spring seasons with teams competing in regional leagues. Programs emphasize participation, fitness, and competitive development.

The arts curriculum includes visual arts, music, and theater with opportunities for performance and exhibition.



Highlights

Sports: Baseball, Basketball, Bowling, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Indoor Track, Outdoor Track, Soccer, Softball, Swimming, Wrestling

Arts: Band, Chorus, Drawing, Painting, Photography, Printmaking, Studio Art, Theater Arts, 3D Design, Media Arts

Languages offered:
Spanish

Advanced Placement courses:
Biology, Calculus, English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, United States History

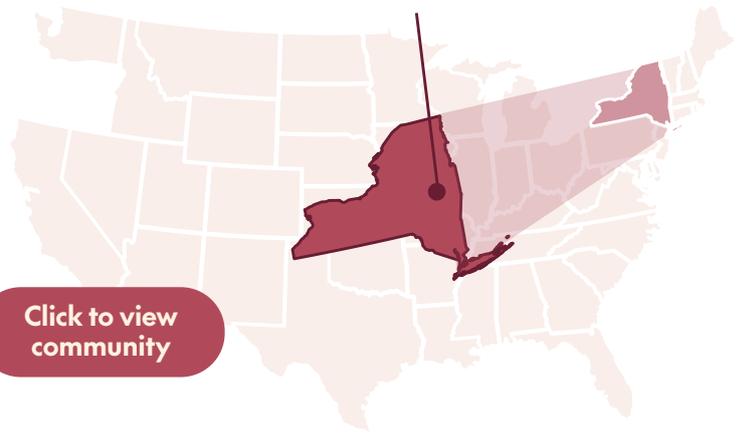
Tech and Innovation courses:
Computer Applications, Media Technology

Clubs and Extracurriculars:
Art Club, Book Club, Debate Club, National Honor Society, Peer Mentoring, Student Council, Yearbook

Homestay managed by Educatius
Orientation support for international students

Community

Schenectady is a city of approximately 66,000 residents in New York's Capital Region. The area combines residential neighborhoods with business, industry, and cultural institutions. Albany and its international airport are within driving distance, providing access to higher education, transportation, and regional attractions. The community offers a stable urban environment with access to parks, sports facilities, and cultural venues.



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Climate in Schenectady, New York

Four seasons with hot, humid summers and cold, snowy winters.



Website

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