



# SAINT PETER'S PREP

NEW JERSEY'S JESUIT HIGH SCHOOL SINCE 1872

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## SCHOOL PROFILE 2012-2013

Saint Peter's Prep was founded in 1872 by the Society of Jesus. Prep enrolls 922 boys from more than 120 communities, representing 13 New Jersey and 5 New York counties, 4 states, and 4 countries. Approximately 64% of Prep's students identify themselves as Caucasian, 12% as Hispanic, 9% as Asian, 9% as African-American, and 6% as "Multiracial."

Saint Peter's Prep is accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and the New Jersey Department of Education and is a member of the Jesuit Secondary Education Association, National Catholic Education Association, National Association of College Admissions Counselors, and Jesuit High School College Counselors Association. Located in the historic Paulus Hook section of Jersey City, a thriving financial center and residential community on the Hudson River waterfront, Prep is well-served by major transportation systems, including NJ Transit, the PATH and Hudson Bergen Light Rail, as well as several ferries and public and private bus lines.

**Mission Statement:** Saint Peter's Prep is a Catholic, Jesuit college preparatory school which seeks to form young men of competence, conscience and compassion. Both enriched and challenged by its diversity, Saint Peter's Prep is a community of learners seeking to find God in all things. The academic, athletic, co-curricular, spiritual and service programs aim to foster in students an understanding of the world and the courage to advance the common good.

**Goals:** Each young man, upon leaving Saint Peter's Prep, should be open to growth, intellectually competent, religious, loving, and committed to doing justice.

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### Academics

Saint Peter's Prep offers a college preparatory curriculum that provides a well-balanced course of studies to meet the needs and interests of its students. Each year, a student must take the equivalent of six full-credit courses (six year-long full-credit [1.0 credit] courses or a combination of year-long full-credit courses and semester-long half-credit [.5 credit] courses to equal six credits). With permission, a student may take the equivalent of seven full-credit courses. Full credit classes meet 6 times over an 8-day cycle. Some electives in art, music and writing meet 3 times over an 8-day cycle and carry .25 credit per semester. Religious studies courses at Saint Peter's Prep are full-credit courses that carry the same academic requirements as other full-credit courses.

To graduate, every student must take a minimum of 4 years of religious studies, 4 years of English, 2 years of Latin, 2 years of a modern language, 3 years of history, 3 years of mathematics (4 years strongly recommended), and 2 years of laboratory science (3 to 4 years strongly recommended). He also must take 2 years of health and 3 years of physical education. In addition, he must complete required studies in art, music, and group guidance. Students take electives in history, modern and/or classical languages, science, mathematics, English, art, music theory and composition, music performance, and computer science in

grades 10 through 12 to round out their course of studies and fulfill the 26.75 credit requirement for graduation. All students must complete 85 hours of direct contact Christian Service by the end of junior year to advance to senior year.

The following Advanced Placement Courses are offered:

Biology	Calculus AB	Chemistry
English Language & Composition	English Literature & Composition	Latin
Spanish Language	Spanish Literature	Statistics
US Government & Politics	US History	World History

The following Honors-level courses are offered:

Intermediate Algebra Honors	Geometry Honors	Algebra 2 and Trigonometry Honors
Pre-calculus Honors	Calculus Honors	English 1, 2, 3 and 4 Honors
Latin 2 and 3 Honors	French 3 Honors	German 3 Honors
Spanish 3 Honors	Biology Honors	Chemistry Honors
Advanced Physics Honors	Greek Honors	Italian 3 Honors

All students must apply for admission into AP and Honors classes. All students must sit for their AP exam to receive course credit.

### *Grading System*

Saint Peter's Prep provides final grades by semester. No final year-end grade is provided. Letter grades are reported on report cards and transcripts. Final letter grades are converted to grade quality points to calculate the Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA). Grades for all subjects are included, except those designated pass/fail. GPAs are recalculated at the end of each semester. Grades in AP and Honors courses are not weighted.

<i>Letter</i>	<i>Quality Points</i>		
A+	4.5	(96-100)	Outstanding
A	4.0	(90-95)	Excellent
B+	3.5	(85-89)	Very Good
B	3.0	(80-84)	Good
C+	2.5	(75-79)	Average
C	2.0	(70-74)	Satisfactory
D	1.0	(67-69)	Minimum for Passing (Remediation recommended)
F	0.0	(0-66)	Failing (Remediation required)

Saint Peter's Prep does not rank its students.

99% of graduates enroll in 4-year colleges or universities.

### **TEST SCORES**

<u>SAT SCORES</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>
Mean Verbal	546	557	555	566	563	538
Mean math	562	571	564	577	575	546
Writing					570	543

### **ACADEMIC RECOGNITION**

The Class of 2011 had one National Merit Finalist, seven Commended Students, and one Achievement Scholar. The Class of 2012 had one National Merit Semi-finalist, four Commended students, and two Achievement Scholars. Saint Peter's Prep is a member of the National Honor Society, the Société Honoraire de Français, Sociedad Honoraria Hispanica, the Società Onoraria Italica, and Delta Epsilon Phi.