

SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY

Founded in 1954, Seton Catholic Preparatory is a Catholic faith community whose mission challenges students to achieve superior standards of educational excellence, leadership, and loving service to others. Seton Catholic is a four-year co-educational school whose ultimate task is to prepare students with the resources necessary for life-long learning within the framework of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and His Church. The school was named for Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton who opened the first parochial school in America and founded the Sisters of Charity. These Sisters have helped staff the school throughout its history.

The faculty and staff of Seton Catholic Preparatory facilitate student’s religious formation; academic progress; social, cultural, physical and moral development, while supporting parents as primary educators.

Serving more than 550 students, 44 teachers and 4 counselors have an average of more than 15 years’ experience. One teacher holds a doctoral degree. Six staff members are Seton Catholic alumni. Seton Catholic continues its strong affiliation with the Sisters of Charity by offering dual enrollment with Seton Hill University.

ACCREDITATION

Seton Catholic Preparatory is accredited by both the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and the Western Catholic Education Association.

ENROLLMENT/SERVICE AREA

Seton Catholic Preparatory, located in Chandler, Arizona, is the only Catholic high school in the East Valley, serving primarily Chandler, Mesa, Tempe and Gilbert. Students from Phoenix, Ahwatukee, Apache Junction, Casa Grande, Scottsdale and Pinal County also attend Seton Catholic. The students attending Seton Catholic come from Caucasian, Hispanic, Asian, Native American and African-American origins. Seton students are from low, middle and high income levels. The average class size is 21.

Seton Catholic does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, color, national or ethnic origin in the administration of educational policies, scholarship and loan programs, athletic or other school-administered programs.

CURRICULUM

The curriculum includes daily classes in religious education, with honors and Advanced Placement courses in most departments. Typically, about 99% of Seton Catholic Prep’s graduates go on to college. Honors courses are offered in English, math, science, social studies, and world languages. Advanced Placement courses are available in English, social studies, fine arts, math, science and world languages. SCP also offers dual enrollment with Seton Hill University for some of its courses.

SPECIAL FEATURES

As a Catholic school, Seton Catholic places priority on the spiritual formation of the students. Prayer, especially through liturgy, is one of the focal points of the school. Daily Mass is celebrated and all-school Masses are offered once a month. We have a full-time chaplain, spiritual opportunities are provided through campus ministry, and include Adoration, Reconciliation Services, weekly confession opportunities, annual retreats and monthly exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Students complete Christian service to parishes, the school, and local and non-profit agencies during their four years at Seton Catholic Prep.

ACADEMIC TESTING RECORD

CEEB Number---030047

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
SAT SCORE					
Critical Reading	573	570	577	619	608
Mean Math	567	562	592	620	625
ACT SCORE					
Composite	25.3	24.4	24.7	25.2	24.5

NATIONAL MERIT AWARDS

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Finalists	-	-	-	2	-
Semifinalists	-	-	-	-	1
Letters of Commendation	6	1	6	6	2
National Hispanic Recognition	1	-	-	-	-

GRADING and GPA

Student grade point averages are expressed as an average of the unweighted percentage scores. Non-academic courses are not included. Honors and AP class grades are multiplied by 1.07 to provide a weighted GPA.

- 90 - 100 = excellent
- 80 - 89 = above average
- 70 - 79 = average
- 65 - 69 = below average
- 0 - 64 = failure

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Seton Catholic’s graduation requirements meet or exceed college entrance requirements. Twenty-seven and a half credits are required for graduation, including theology, English, mathematics (4 years each); science (3 years), social studies (3.5 years); world language (2 years of the same language); fine arts (1.5 years), IPS, physical education, health, freshman computing (.5 year each), and Christian service (yearly).

COLLEGE ADMISSIONS

One Hundred percent of the class of 2018 has gone on to college. Seventy-six percent have enrolled in 4-year colleges or universities (25% of them out-of-state), and twenty-four percent have enrolled in 2-year colleges.

Seton Catholic Preparatory graduates have recently been accepted at many colleges and universities throughout the country. A partial list includes:

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| Arizona State University | St. Thomas University |
| Benedictine University | Santa Clara University |
| Boston College | Seattle University |
| Brown University | Stanford University |
| Bowdoin College | Swarthmore College |
| Cal Polytechnic | US Air Force Academy |
| Chapman College | US Coast Guard Academy |
| Colgate University | US Military Academy |
| College of William and Mary | US Naval Academy |
| Colorado School of Mines | University of Arizona |
| Colorado State | U of CA Berkeley |
| Cornell University | U of CA Irvine |
| Creighton University | U of CA Los Angeles |
| Duke University | University of Chicago |
| Fordham University | University of Dallas |
| Georgetown University | University of Denver |
| Gonzaga University | University of Illinois |
| Grand Canyon University | University of Michigan |
| Johns Hopkins University | University of Nebraska |
| Loyola-Marymount | University of Notre Dame |
| Loyola University | University of the Pacific |
| Massachusetts Institute of Technology | University of Portland |
| New York University | University of Puget Sound |
| Northeastern University | University of San Diego |
| Northern Arizona University | University of San Francisco |
| Ohio State University | University of Southern California |
| Pomona College | University of Washington |
| Purdue University | Vanderbilt University |
| Regis University | Villanova University |
| St. John’s University, NY | Washington University |
| St. Louis University | Wellesley College |
| St. Mary’s University, CA | Yale University |

ADMINISTRATION

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| Principal: Victor Serna | Activities Director: Beth Pattock |
| Assistant Principal: Dr. David Sorkin | Advancement: Jim Pogge |
| Director of Admissions: Guillermo Vidaurri | Athletic Director: Matt Mayo |
| Director of Finance/Facilities: Bob Esposito | Chaplain: Fr. Tim Seavey |
| Director of Guidance: Pam Hollerbach | Dean of Students: Julie Grindey |
| Campus Ministers: Holly Forseth , Jennifer Kohl | |