

Grade Point Average

Grade Point Average is cumulative. The GPA that appears on the transcript includes all courses taken in grades 9-12 and is weighted according to the following scale:

Grading Scale

<u>Percent</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>GPA</u>
99-100	A+	4.25
92-98	A	4.00
90-91	A-	3.75
88-89	B+	3.25
82-87	B	3.00
80-81	B-	2.75
78-79	C+	2.25
72-77	C	2.00
70-71	C-	1.75
68-69	D+	1.25
62-67	D	1.00
60-61	D-	0.75
0-59	F	0.00

Honors and Dual Enrollment

These courses are weighted by adding .5 point.
Example: A+ = 4.75; A = 4.5; A- = 4.25

Advanced Placement

These courses are weighted by adding 1 point.
Example: A+ = 5.25; A = 5.0; A- = 4.75

Class Rank

ECS does not rank its students but does select a valedictorian and salutatorian at the completion of 12th grade. In the selection process, Advanced Placement and Honor Courses are given priority. Students must be enrolled at ECS for at least 4 semesters to be considered for Valedictorian and Salutatorian.

Graduation

To receive a graduation diploma from ECS, a student must successfully complete 26 credits which must include: 4 English, 4 Math, 4 Science, 3 Social Studies, 4 Biblical Studies, 2 Foreign Language, and 1 1/2 Physical Education/Health.

Advanced Placement

The Advanced Placement Program, a cooperative educational endeavor between secondary schools

and colleges and universities, allows high school students to undertake college level academic courses and gives them the opportunity to show they have mastered the material by taking AP exams. Students can receive college credit from hundreds of colleges and universities that participate in the AP Program.

SAT/ACT College Entrance Tests

ECS students are required to take the SAT or ACT Test at least once before graduation. Juniors take the PSAT in October each year and sophomores take the PSAT and PLAN. Additional opportunities to prepare for the college entrance tests are offered.

Bright Futures Scholarship

Evangelical Christian School participates in Florida's Bright Futures Scholarship Program. This program rewards high achieving high school graduates with a scholarship to be used at an accredited college or university in the state of Florida. The scholarships are given on two levels: Florida Academic Scholars Award/100% tuition plus \$600 per year; Florida Medallion Scholars Award/75% tuition.

CLEP Testing

CLEP testing offers a variety of examinations each 90 minutes long, which allow students to demonstrate knowledge in a wide range of subjects. High scores on CLEP tests give students college credit, allowing the student to quickly achieve educational goals. Students choose from five General Examinations and 30 Subject Examinations. ECS strongly encourages students to participate in CLEP testing.

Dual Enrollment

Students who meet the school requirements may participate in Dual Enrollment at Edison College after school, on Saturday, or during the summer. All courses must be approved by the administration.



As a nonprofit, nondiscriminatory institution, Evangelical Christian School's mission is to provide an excellent academic education to students, pre-school through grade twelve, in a traditional environment that honors God and trains students to reach their highest potential mentally, physically, socially, and spiritually.



High School Program of Studies

Our beautiful tree lined campus is spacious and centrally located just south of the Page Field Airport in Fort Myers, Florida. The school is easily accessible from I-75 and State Route 41 and only minutes from the neighboring communities of Cape Coral and Lehigh Acres. Edison College, Florida Gulf Coast University, and Southwest Regional Airport are just a short drive from the ECS campus.

The campus is designed to provide each student the opportunity to receive a quality college preparatory education in a positive Christian environment. Certified Christian teachers utilize large classrooms, science labs, computer labs, a large cafeteria, and specialty classrooms catering to art, choir, drama, weight training, and physical education to bring excellence in education. Required courses in Bible and weekly chapels challenge students to have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and a daily walk with God.

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Accreditation

ECS is registered as a non-public school, accredited through the Florida Association of Christian Colleges and Schools, Inc.(FACCS), Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) and the Commission on International and Trans-Regional Accreditation (CITA). FACCS is recognized by the National Council for Private School Accreditation (NCPSA) and the Florida Association of Academic Non-public Schools (FAANS).

Athletics

The ECS Sentinels are members of the Florida High School Activities Association and compete with other FHSAA schools in the following sports:

Boys - Baseball, Basketball, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Soccer, Tennis, Track, Wrestling, Swimming

Girls - Basketball, Cross Country, Soccer, Softball, Tennis, Track, Volleyball, Golf, Cheerleading, Swimming

The Sportsplex offers the only dual court gym in Lee County, a football/soccer Stadium, 1/4 metric mile track, a baseball diamond, well-equipped weight training facilities for male and female athletes, and multiple locker rooms.

Language Arts

English, English Honors, English Language Composition AP, English Literature Composition AP, Contemporary Literature, Classical Literature, World Literature, Great Books of Literature, Creative Writing, Speech, Debate

Social Studies

World History, World History Honors, World History AP, U.S. History, U.S. History Honors, U.S. History AP, American Government, American Government Honors, Economics, Economics Honors, Global Studies, Moral Issues, World Cultural Geography, Contemporary History, Psychology

Mathematics

Algebra I, Algebra I Honors, Geometry, Geometry Honors, Algebra II, Algebra II Honors, Math Analysis, Statistics, Advanced Math Honors, Calculus Honors

Science

Biology, Biology Honors, Biology AP, Anatomy/Physiology, Chemistry, Chemistry Honors, Physics Honors, Environmental Science, Forensic Science, Digital Engineering Honors

Biblical Studies

Biblical History, Leadership Development, Bible Literature, Christian Family Living

Foreign Language

Spanish I, II, III Honors
American Sign Language I, II

Technology

Adobe Photoshop and InDesign, Advanced Web Design, Creative Media, Business Systems and Technology, Programming/Robotics, Video Production

Physical Education/ Health

Personal Fitness, Weight Training, Life Management Skills, Team Sports, Fitness and Nutrition

Art

Classes are designed to allow the student to demonstrate creativity while developing a knowledge of and appreciation for art. The student's eye for art is expanded through mediums that include painting, drawing, and sculpturing. Art students enter local and state competitions and have work on public display.

Chorus

Students in choir learn basic music theory skills and have the opportunity to learn and perform music from classical to gospel. Additional musical ensembles within the choir are formed through audition. The choir, ensembles, and soloists compete annually in a state competition and members are encouraged to audition for the All State Choir program.

Drama

Drama students learn the fundamentals of acting and staging through practice and experience. The emphasis in the drama program is on performance with major productions in the fall and spring. Only drama students can audition for these two productions. In addition to the drama class, each year ECS presents a Broadway-style musical production. Auditions for this spring production are open to all students.

Communication

Yearbook Production, Newsletter Production

Community Service

Believing it to be important for Christian young people to become aware of needs in the community and to take an active role in helping people, ECS requires every student to perform 40 hours of community service each school year.

Sentinel Scholars Program

The ECS Sentinel Scholars Program's primary purpose is the development of God-honoring academic excellence in college-bound high school students. This entails the design and implementation of a curriculum of study built around honors courses, advanced placement courses, and engagement in targeted academic activities. Participation in this program makes it possible for a student to receive college credit through successful passing of AP exams and CLEP tests. The program is divided into three levels: Summa Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude, and Cum Laude. Students who meet the requirements of the program will receive a Sentinel Scholars' diploma upon graduation.

Grading

Evangelical Christian School has a stringent grading system. A's are given for work outstanding in quality. Students may follow a rigorous or standard college preparatory program, depending primarily on the level of English, math, history, and science courses chosen. Honors and Advanced Placement courses are designated on student transcripts.