

DISCOVER MERCY

IN A WORLD OF CHANGE, MERCY WOMEN TAKE THE LEAD



MERCY HIGH SCHOOL

OUR MISSION

Mercy High School **educates women to pursue lives of spiritual and intellectual depth, determination and daring action to improve our world** as an inclusive, college preparatory community enlivened by the gospel of Jesus and the charism of the Sisters of Mercy.





A Mercy education is like no other.

We **empower** and **educate** young women in the **Catholic tradition**.

We harness the **all-girls school advantage** within a **small, inclusive**, urban setting in San Francisco.

Mercy is sponsored by the Sisters of Mercy through the Mercy Education System of the Americas (MESA).

Mercy High School is dedicated to nurturing highly competent and deeply compassionate women ready to take the lead in a world of change.

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ACADEMIC RIGOR

Mercy's **challenging college preparatory curriculum** meets University of California and California State University eligibility requirements and includes **9 Honors** and **14 Advanced Placement (AP)** courses. Mercy is proud of the 2019 graduating class, with 16% attending a University of California school.

Extended block periods and a project-based learning environment empowers students to take ownership of their educational experience.

McAULEY ACADEMIC PROGRAM (MAP)

Students with documented learning differences receive **personalized instructional support** and develop skills necessary to advocate for the accommodations they require for academic success.

100%

**OF MERCY STUDENTS
ARE ACCEPTED TO MORE
THAN 180 COLLEGES AND
UNIVERSITIES IN THE U.S.
AND ABROAD.**



FIND YOUR PASSION



Mercy's **Special Programs** provide a unique, focused curriculum where students can access guest lectures, internships, and 1:1 mentorship programs with Bay Area professionals.

WOMEN IN SCIENCE AND HEALTHCARE (WISH)

WISH engages students in clinical immersion experiences in the science and healthcare industries.

WOMEN IN TECHNOLOGY (WiTECH)

WiTech students study technology and media in our modern society and learn coding, network development, app creation, robotics, and film/TV production.

WOMEN IN THE PERFORMING ARTS (WIPA)

WIPA students develop skills in dance, acting, and theatre tech in partnership with local theatre and dance companies.

WOMEN IN THE ARTS (WITA)

WITA students build a professional portfolio of their artwork, and are paired with experienced artists within the rich artistic community in San Francisco.

A young woman with dark hair is shown in profile, looking towards the left. In the background, a crucifix is visible, slightly out of focus, against a purple curtain. The lighting is warm and soft, creating a contemplative atmosphere.

FAITH IS ACTION

Apart from the excellent academics and robust student life, young women choose Mercy because of the values inspired by the **Sisters of Mercy**. Our **inclusive Catholic environment** supported by our **Campus Ministry Program** encourages students to grow and discover their own unique inner spirituality.

Helping others is a vital part of our school culture and an essential component of Mercy's curriculum through our **Christian Service Program**. Community service challenges students to develop relationships and social awareness that lead them to act for mercy and justice.

ALL-GIRLS ADVANTAGE

Mercy is a place where girls grow to become women ready to take the lead in a world of change.

Students can be their authentic selves supported by a **sisterhood** that celebrates collaboration, healthy competition, and innovation.

We provide a balanced academic curriculum that integrates faith, culture, and life.

Mercy has a special affinity for **Catholic social teaching**, especially in the areas of the Critical Concerns identified by the Sisters of Mercy: Women, Immigration, Anti-Racism, Nonviolence, and the care of the Earth.



At Mercy, our **teachers challenge limits and inspire students** to imagine and explore possibilities they might never have otherwise considered.



If I hadn't come to a small, all-girls school, I feel that I never would have reached the academic level I'm at today.

—Megan '19

Mercy's uniqueness stems from our strong sense of sisterhood and appreciation.

—Olivia '19

Mercy is a place full of women
Strong and smart
Compassion-driven

Mercy is a building
Filled with character and class
We are strong-headed women
Waiting patiently to break the glass.

—Jasmyrn '19

an excerpt from her award-winning poem, *Mercy High School*

Student Life

We have more than 40 student-lead clubs and organizations that promote our inclusivity, celebrate our unique cultures, and develop passions and leadership skills.

Visual & Performing Arts

Throughout the year, art students exhibit their work, the choir performs at school events and liturgies, and theatre and dance students stage three major theatrical productions.

Athletics

Mercy Athletics develops strong character that leads students to experience successful, productive lives beyond the parameters of sport.

FALL: Volleyball (Frosh, Junior Varsity and Varsity), Cross Country, and Tennis

WINTER: Basketball (Frosh, Junior Varsity and Varsity) and Soccer

SPRING: Softball, Swimming, Track and Field

YEAR ROUND: Spirit Squad



ACTIVE STUDENT LIFE

MERCY AT A GLANCE

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HONORS &
AP CLASSES

STUDENT TO
TEACHER RATIO:

15:1



CLASS OF 2019 COLLEGE
SCHOLARSHIPS



\$12
MILLION

40+



STUDENT CLUBS
& ORGANIZATIONS

11,000+



MERCY ALUMNAE
WORLDWIDE

CHERISHED

ALL-GIRLS
CATHOLIC
HIGH
SCHOOL
FOR



67
YEARS

110

AVERAGE NUMBER OF
SERVICE HOURS
PER STUDENT



STOP BY AND DISCOVER

WHY MERCY IS YOUR FIRST CHOICE



SKIPPER FOR A DAY shadow program – September through November 2019

Eighth graders enjoy a half-day visit to two classes and a delicious lunch with our student ambassadors. Parents are invited for a brief campus tour. *Reservations are required.*

OPEN HOUSE – Sunday, November 3, 2019 | 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Stop by to tour our beautiful campus and chat with Mercy's faculty, coaches, staff and students. Learn about Mercy's academics and student life. *Reservations are required.*

ACADEMIC PREVIEW & INFORMATION NIGHT

Thursday, November 21, 2019 | 5:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Preview a variety of classes taught by Mercy's faculty. Attend information sessions about our Special Programs and the McAuley Academic Program (MAP). Learn about financial assistance, and how to apply to Mercy. *Reservations are required.*

HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TEST (HSPT) WORKSHOP

Tuesday, January 7, 2020 | 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Review test-taking tips and strategies to prepare for the HSPT. **NOTE:** This event is only open to confirmed Mercy applicants taking the HSPT on January 11, 2020. *Reservations are required.*

HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TEST (HSPT) – January 11, 2020 | 8:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

The HSPT is a required component of the application process. Mercy will administer the test to confirmed applicants only. *Reservations are required.*

GIRLS' NIGHT IN – February 21, 2020 | 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Reserve your space and join us on campus for this last chance to explore all that Mercy has to offer! *Confirmed applicants only.*

CONTACT US: (415) 584-5929 | admissions@mercyhs.org

Visit us at mercyhs.org/admissions for more information or to register for events

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- Submit Inquiry Form** online at mercyhs.org/admissions
- Register online for Open House, Skipper for a Day,** and other admissions events
- Submit Application online – Priority deadline:** December 9, 2019 (\$100)
Final deadline: January 6, 2020 (\$125)
- Mercy will contact schools to obtain recommendations and transcripts for applications received by the posted deadlines
- Take High School Placement Test (HSPT)** at Mercy on January 11, 2020
- Register online for Family Interview** beginning January 1, 2020

Optional

- Apply online for Special Programs** beginning January 13, 2020
- Apply for Financial Assistance** at mytads.com – Deadline February 3, 2020



@MercyHighSF





A Catholic college preparatory
school for young women
in grades 9-12



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