



TACOMA BAPTIST HIGH SCHOOL

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PURPOSE: To equip our students with a Biblically-integrated and academically challenging education that prepares them to be leaders in their communities..

MISSION: Tacoma Baptist High School exists to glorify God by developing disciples and leaders through a Christ-centered community that is growing in faith, knowledge, and service.

SCHOOL CODE: 481-398

STAFF: Secondary Principal: Mrs. Alyssa Baker
Directory of Guidance & Counseling: Ms. LeAnn Kitselman
Athletic Director: Mrs. Beth Wing

COMMUNITY DATA: Located in Tacoma, approximately 30 miles south of Seattle on the I-5 corridor.

SCHOOL DISTRICT: Tacoma Baptist Schools was formed in the fall of 1959, and the first high school classes were offered in the fall of 1966. In 2006, Tacoma Baptist Schools incorporated to form the South Sound Christian School district. South Sound Christian Schools are accredited by AdvancedEd and are "Approved Private Schools" in Washington State.

STUDENT BODY: Pre-school through Grade 12261
Jr./Sr. High156
Senior Class17

CALENDAR/SCHEDULE: Thirty-six weeks. The traditional schedule consists of seven 50-minute periods.

FACULTY: Twenty full-time teachers; Nine part-time teachers.

CURRICULAR DISTINCTIVES: TBHS is dedicated to the pursuit of academic excellence. Our curriculum is Christ-centered, and all subject matter is designed to include Biblical integration. The school has a detailed testing program designed to measure students' abilities and progress. Students in grades 1-8 take the TerraNova Achievement Test each spring to measure achievement in English, mathematics, science, and social studies. Students in grades 9, 10 and 11 take the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT) each October to identify areas of strength and weaknesses in preparation for college. Before graduating, every senior (both our college-bound and those who do not intend to pursue a post-secondary education) take and have the scores reported to TBHS for one of the following: the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT), the American College Test (ACT), or the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL).

HONORS COURSE OFFERINGS: Honors classes require a deeper preparation, cover a broader scope of material, and demand a higher level of performance from the student. Students at the sophomore level or higher with a proven background in a subject (a 3.0 average or higher) may choose to take honors level classes in English, Chemistry, Advanced Human Biology, Physics and Advanced Math/Trigonometry. Honors courses are marked on the transcript with an "H" following the course name. AP classes in Calculus, Chemistry, Literature and Composition, U.S. History, and Computer Science are available.

GRADUATION: Tacoma Baptist offers two tracks toward graduation: standard and college-preparatory. The standard high school track requires 26 credits for graduation. The college-preparatory track requires 28 credits for graduation. Courses include honors level work in English, math, and science, with three years of a world language. Graduating seniors must meet the service hours requirement.

SERVICE HOURS: Each student is required to perform a minimum of five hours of service for the community in grade nine, ten hours in grade ten, fifteen hours in grade eleven, and twenty hours in grade twelve.

GRADING:

<i>Numerical Average</i>	<i>Letter Grade</i>	<i>Grade Point Average</i>	<i>Numerical Average</i>	<i>Letter Grade Average</i>	<i>Grade Point</i>
100 - 93%	A	4.00	79 – 77%	C+	2.33
92 - 90%	A-	3.67	76 – 73%	C	2.00
89 - 87%	B+	3.33	72 – 70%	C-	1.67
86 - 83%	B	3.00	69 – 67%	D+	1.33
82 - 80%	B-	2.67	66 – 60%	D	1.00
			59 or below	F	0.00

GPA COMPUTATION: The student's GPA is calculated by dividing the total quality points earned by the total credits attempted. Grade point averages are unweighted and computed on all subjects, grades 9-12.

CLASS RANK: Rank is determined by the GPA and taken from all the student's grades in all 9th-12th grade classes. Individual class rank is reported to colleges on the student's transcript. The graduating class valedictorian must have attended TBHS for at least two full years, be a member of National Honor Society, have the highest GPA, and have taken the following: two years of the same world language, AP or Honors English in the junior and senior years, and any two of the following classes: AP or Honors Chemistry, AP or Honors Physics, Advanced Human Biology, AP Computer Science Principles, Advanced Math/Trigonometry, and/or AP Calculus. The salutatorian is the student in the class who has the second highest GPA and meets the above criteria.

SAT SUMMARY:

	TBS Class of 2019	Washington St 2019	National 2019
Mean ERW	558*	539	531
Mean Mathematics	562*	535	528

*scores for entire senior population (all students required to test)

COLLEGE CHOICES: Over 85% of graduates from Tacoma Baptist High school pursue college degrees directly after high school. Graduates have attended colleges and universities over a wide geographical area. Colleges and universities that have accepted TBHS graduates include Abilene Christian University, Azusa Pacific University, Baylor University, Binghamton University, Biola University, California Baptist University, California State University-Maritime Academy, California State University-Long Beach, Calvin College, Carroll College, Cedarville University, Central Washington University, Clover Park Technical, Colorado Christian University, Concordia University-Portland, Corban University, Eastern Oregon University, Eastern Washington University, Ecola Bible College, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Fordham University, George Fox University, Gonzaga University, Grand Canyon University, Hawaii Pacific University, Lasell College, LeTourneau University, Lewis & Clark College, Liberty University, Linfield College, Marquette University, The Master's College, Multnomah University, Northern Arizona University, Northwest Nazarene University, Northwest University, Oklahoma Baptist University, Oklahoma Christian University, Oklahoma State University, Oregon State University, Ouachita Baptist University, Pacific University, Pacific Lutheran University, Penn State, Rutgers University, Saint Martin's University, Seattle Pacific University, Seattle University, Simpson University, Southeastern University, St. Martin's University, Stony Brook University, Syracuse University, Tennessee State University, The Master's College, Trinity Western University, U.S. Air Force Academy, U.S. Coast Guard Academy, University of California Davis, University of California Irvine, University of California San Diego, University of California Santa Barbara, University of California Santa Cruz, University of Colorado, University of Connecticut, University of Idaho, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, University of Kansas, University of Mobile, University of Oregon, University of Pittsburgh, University of Redlands, University of Portland, University of Puget Sound, University of Southern California, University of Texas-Dallas, University of Washington, University of Wisconsin, Warner Pacific University, Washington State University, West Point, Western Washington University, Wheaton College Whittier College and Whitworth University.