

## VILLANOVA PREPARATORY SCHOOL

A CATHOLIC DAY AND BOARDING SCHOOL SINCE 1924

OJAI, CALIFORNIA



Villanova Preparatory School offers a Catholic, coeducational, college preparatory curriculum for grades 9 through 12. We are accredited by the Western Catholic Educational Association (WCEA) and co-accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC), and are members of the Augustinian Secondary Education Association and National Catholic Education Association.

Villanova is the only boarding school in California that offers the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme, part of the strong foundation that provides acceptance to selective colleges and universities, contributing to each student's future success.

We invite you to visit our campus and learn more about our rich heritage, meet our welcoming community, and witness the impact of a Villanova education. FOUNDED 1924 NEARLY 100 YEARS OF HISTORY

AVERAGE 200 ENROLLMENT

STUDENT BODY:

1/3

RESIDENT STUDENTS

2/3 DAY STUDENTS

130<sup>+</sup>
ACRES

20% STUDENTS

REPRESENTED BY

DIFFERENT
COUNTRIES

# **Core Values of Truth, Unity, and Love**

Students carry their Villanova experience with them into future academic success, exciting career opportunities, and fulfilling, engaged lives. We experience Villanova together as a community, sharing the school's core values of Truth, Unity, and Love. Villanova students don't rattle off a list of what they do, they tell you why what they do matters. We are a place for all paths, discover yours here.











#### At Villanova, we inquire TRUTH

We celebrate a learning environment that:

- Cultivates intellectual curiosity
- Promotes 21st century skills for college and for life: Critical Thinking, Communication, Collaboration, and Creativity
- Welcomes the exchange of ideas in an open, friendly and respectful atmosphere.

At the core of this experience are teachers as advocates, who empower our young adults to build authentic confidence, connect with adults in a safe way, and be comfortable speaking their mind.

FACULTY TO

STUDENT RATIO

27
MEMBERS

AVERAGE 12 CLASS SIZE

FACULTY
81%
WITH ONE OR MORE
ADVANCED
DEGREES

27
& HONORS

FACULTY

67%

HAVE TAUGHT AT

VILLANOVA

MORE THAN 5 YEARS

# Advanced Courses Offered at Villanova

Villanova is the only boarding school in California that offers the International Baccalaurate (IB) Diploma Programme. IB schools provide students with the unique opportunity to study university-level courses during their junior and senior year with an emphasis on research, writing, critical thinking, time management, and self-confidence.

IB courses may be taken individually by students with specific areas of interest, or as part of a full IB diploma program. An IB student is qualified to study at universities all over the world, often with advanced credit. California's UC and CSU systems offer a year's course credits for IB Diploma graduates!

Villanova additionally offers numerous Honors, Accelerated Honors, and AP courses. An extra point is awarded in the traditional 4.0 point system GPA calculation for all Honors, AP, or IB courses. Half of the Class of 2021 had GPA ranges above 4.0!



A+ University admission officials say the **DP is the best qualification** for developing students' non-academic skills and preparing them for further education and careers.\*

\*Source: ACS Schools Admissions Officers Report 2015



"Megan has had professors approach her and ask if she was an IB student because the depth of writing, thought, and discussion shows the IB background. The level of discussion, research and writing that is done in an IB classroom setting has greatly prepared her for the transition to college."

-Parents of Megan '18, IB Diploma Graduate, Current student at Villanova University

ACADEMIC DEPTS.

100°

OFFER IB COURSES

JUNIORS & SENIORS 82%
AT VILLANOVA TAKE IB COURSES







### At Villanova, we inspire UNITY

The diversity of our school promotes intercultural exchange of ideas and friendships. Students share a mutual interest to learn from each other and grow together. Everyone has a place at the table to bring themselves as they are, and reveal their talents and passions.

Our Day and Resident experiences include an array of activities, athletics, and traditions that promote community and friendship.

ATHLETIC 16

72%
PARTICIPATE
IN AT LEAST
ONE SPORT

THEATER

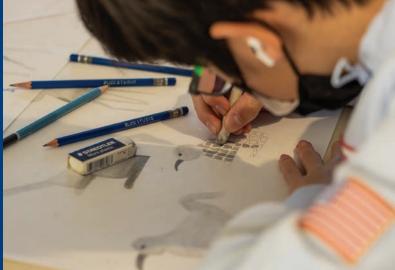
2
PRODUCTIONS
PER YEAR

STUDENT

50<sup>+</sup>
CLUBS AND
ORGANIZATIONS

19 courses

Robotics, Graphic Design, Ceramics, Photography, and many more!

















#### At Villanova, we illuminate LOVE

St. Augustine wrote, "What does love look like? It has the hands to help others..."

Villanova promotes a love of learning that values a deep understanding of and respect for feelings, ideas and perspectives. This empathy translates into service for others that moves beyond volunteer work to social transformation.

Student service projects bridge their classroom learning with active, local and global community engagement. They staff soup kitchens; assist the elderly; build homes; beach clean-ups; work with

orphans in Mexico; tutor children; participate in community cleanup and beautification and promote animal welfare.

Upon graduation our students leave as impassioned global citizens, ignited by love, empathy and compassion.

100% OF STUDENTS SERVED 7,321 HOURS OF COMMUNITY SERVICE DONATED OVER 5 YEARS

44,410

TO ORPHANED AND ABUSED CHILDREN OF MEXICO

Through the Hogar Infantil Club







#### **Design your Path at Villanova**

Every student's path is individual, supporting them along it is our work. Villanova's college counselors provide academic, college, and wellness support for students through classroom programming, special events, and individual meetings. With a network of expert individuals and professionals, our counselors serve as a well-connected and up-to-date resource for parents and students, guiding them to and through college. Villanova's community believes in the importance of self-reflection and ethical exploration; our graduates have not only grown their academic capacity to earn A's but also grown as individuals and in their capacity for decision making. As our recent graduates matriculated...

GRADUATES

100%

ATTENDED
COLLEGE

GRADUATES

50%
WITH GPA'S
ABOVE 4.0

RECEIVED SCHOLARSHIPS 6 7 %
BASED ON ACADEMIC MERIT



Boston College

**Boston University** 

Brandeis

Case Western Reserve

Claremont McKenna College

College of William and Mary

Columbia University

Cornell University

Georgia Tech

Massachusetts Institute ofTechnology (MIT)

Northeastern

Northwestern University

New York University

Pepperdine University

Stanford University

Tulane University

**UC Berkeley** 

**UC** Davis

**UC** Irvine

UC Santa Barbara

**UCLA** 

**UCSD** 

University of Florida

University of Illinois, Urbana Champaign

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

University of Notre Dame

University of Rochester

University of Southern CA

University of Wisconsin,

Madison

Villanova University













#### Your New Backyard at Villanova

As a resident student, Villanova is your home away from home. We offer a residential program with five staff members who have only one responsibility: caring for students. Our resident staff are a live-in support network for students, participating in all aspects of Villanova life. Whether providing academic support, counseling, or just a partner for a game of basketball in the gym, our resident staff work to develop each student's potential. There is concrete value in the opportunities set before Villanova resident students. Surrounding young people with smart, engaged, peers and mentors is the recipe for future successes. Join us in building character, growing relationships, and inspiring courage, all in a beautiful, safe, environment.

#### 2 dorms in beautiful heritage buildings 200 students - 20% international students Resident student on-campus access to:

- Dorm lounges
- Recreation room
- Chapel
- Sports facilities
- 130-acre campus

#### Resident student off-campus access to:

- World-class beaches
- Charming local California towns
- Los Angeles museums and sports arenas
- Ojai bike path and walkable, safe downtown
- 5-minutes to hiking trails, mountain biking and rock climbing
- 25-minutes to movie theaters, bowling alleys and outdoor shopping mall







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