



Dear Applicant Family,

Kennedy Catholic High School's International Program is one of the most highly respected and sought after international programs in the state of Washington. Our program began with 6 students from Japan in 1985 and 15 students from Spain in 1987. Today, we are proud to have 91 students from 9 countries as a part of our school community. We are committed to welcoming international students to Kennedy Catholic High School because educating leaders who have a global understanding is central to our mission. At Kennedy Catholic High School, students receive a balanced academic, athletic, and spiritual education, preparing them to become leaders in the world by helping them to find the common threads that bind people together.

Ideal Kennedy Catholic Students

What kind of students excel here? We are looking for students with a strong personal work ethic and an even stronger moral character. We are looking for students who have a willingness to grow and learn to tackle hard tasks, to admit when they make mistakes, and to ask for help when they need it. We are looking for students who are going to embrace the opportunities offered to them at Kennedy Catholic and who are seeking to find their mission in life. We are seeking students who are open to new ways of thinking, and who will be willing to challenge their present ideas. When it comes to changing the world, our students lead by example.

Our student body is diverse and ambitious. 99% of graduates go on to higher education. However, 100% of our international graduates attend college, university or design and technology schools. 67% of the student body is Catholic, but students of all faiths are welcome.

Academic Life

Students graduate fully prepared to meet rigorous university expectations. Kennedy Catholic offers challenging math and science programs as well as five foreign languages (Spanish, French, German, Latin, and American Sign Language), English as a Foreign Language (EFL) classes, religion and theological history, leadership and service courses, art and music, history, philosophy and literature courses, health and fitness. Honors, University credit courses, Advanced Placement (AP), and retrieval classes are available to help students achieve their full potential.

Kennedy Catholic's teachers are respected for their knowledge and dedication to the craft of teaching. Students feel comfortable approaching them for help or extra enrichment. With an average class size of 19 students, teachers have the opportunity to know each of their students and provide them with the support they need. School counselors are available to assist students with their academic needs and college plans.

The Saint Thomas Aquinas Honors program gives qualified juniors and seniors the opportunity to earn college credits while still in high school. We teach courses in partnership with the University of

Washington and Seattle University. Many of our graduates begin college with part or all of their freshman year completed.

Kennedy Catholic Lancers

95% of Kennedy Catholic students participate in a variety of school sponsored activities. Students have the opportunity to choose from 50 extracurricular activities and 22 sports teams, including football, swimming and diving, tennis, soccer, track, gymnastics, community service projects, and political action organizations. We believe that a sound mind needs to be balanced with the development of a sound body and soul.

Residential Options

Male students have the option of residing in a supervised dorm, on site, with accommodations for 21 young men. All other students live with approved adult relatives or family friends or have the option of residing with carefully-screened families. Host families provide a private or semi-private room, bed, linens, dresser, lamp, desk, chair, internet access, three meals per day seven days per week, transportation to and from school, transportation for other school related activities and will help to arrange transportation to church as requested.

Costs / Timeline for 2018 - 2019

School tuition and fees are approximately \$34,000 per year. This includes health insurance. Housing and personal expenses are approximately \$15,000 per year. Please see the Program Fees page for specific details. The Annual Fund at Kennedy Catholic High School generates important operating support helping to bridge the gap between tuition and the actual cost of educating each student. Your donations help purchase classroom materials, visual and performing art supplies, technology, physical education equipment, library resources, and much more ... keeping tuition affordable and accessible to those striving for the best Catholic high school education in the region.

Applying to John F. Kennedy Catholic High School

To apply for admission to John F. Kennedy Catholic High School, please visit our website at www.kennedyhs.org/international. On this page you will find the application link as well as other program information.

Warmest Regards,

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