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# Discover Dwenger

## News for Future Saints

BISHOP DWENGER HIGH SCHOOL, A DIOCESAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL  
FOUNDED IN THE LIFE AND TEACHINGS OF JESUS CHRIST,  
PROVIDES A FAITH-CENTERED COMMUNITY DEDICATED TO **ACADEMIC** EXCELLENCE,  
GROWTH IN THE **SPIRITUAL** LIFE, A **CHRIST-CENTERED ACTIVE** LIFE OUTSIDE OF CLASS, AND A **CHRISTIAN**  
LIFE OF **SERVICE** TO THE COMMUNITY.

### GREETINGS FROM BD ADMINISTRATION

Dear Future Saint and Parents,

In the summer of 2010, I applied to be the Assistant Principal at Bishop Dwenger High School, little did I know at the time, the impact that decision would have on me. Mr. Schiffli, our current principal, had just taken over for the recently retired Fred Tone. As many of you know, Fred is a legend around Dwenger for his stories, quirky mannerisms, and endearing laugh. The man knew me since the day I was born, so I knew there were big shoes to fill upon his departure. At the time, I didn't think I would be a part of helping fill those shoes and bring in a new wave of administration.

As an alumna of this great school and growing up in the hallowed hallways my whole life, Bishop Dwenger has always held a special place for me and my family. Along with my dad teaching and coaching here up until his retirement in 2010, my brother, sister, and I all recall fondly about the great impact this school had on forming us into the adults we are today. It gave each one of us the foundation to go on to college and find the career that gives us purpose.

Upon entering the school, it is my sincere hope you find the specialness that is Dwenger. From the many traditions that students participate in, the spiritual opportunities, to the rigorous academic classes, all the way up until they walk across that stage to get the coveted BD diploma, each step along the four year path of high school is filled with wonderful memories. I want you to experience what it means to be called a "Saint".

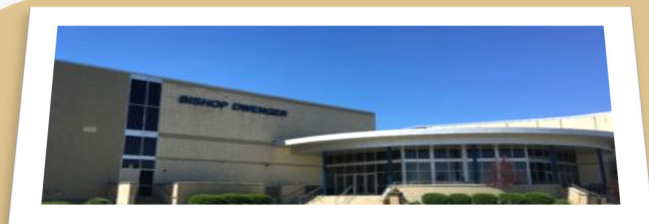
Over the years, I have watched this school continually monitor its curriculum to adjust to the modern Catholic student, improve technology to a standard that leads the diocese, and demand educational practices that accommodate all learning styles. Bishop Dwenger persistently asks students to uphold the Catholic faith in a secular world that seems to negate it all too often.

I look enviously as you are poised to begin the awesome experience of being embraced by all that is Bishop Dwenger, just like I did many years ago. I invite you to experience the same sense of community and belonging to the Bishop Dwenger Family, and, most importantly, as a part of Christ's Body, that I have over the years. I hope you attend Bishop Dwenger and grow in the Faith while learning how to be a "Citizen of Two Worlds".

Sincerely,

Amy Johns, Assistant Principal





### Image Includes:

- Office 365 Suite
- Sophos Virus Endpoint Software
- Lightspeed Web filtering (for BD networks)
- Lockdown Browser (for online testing)
- TI-84 Calculator Software
- Windows 10 or 11 (latest version, no "s" version)
- Connection to the Ricoh Secure printer
- \*Programs are subject to change

For current computer specs, visit the BD website > Drop Down Menu to "Academics" > 1:1 Technology

# 1:1 Technology

Bishop Dwenger High School is committed to teaching and learning that brings digital resources, access, expertise, and skills to our school's historical success and development of its Twenty-First Century Learners. This blended environment allows for learning to occur beyond our school's walls and beyond the traditional day.

All incoming freshmen students for the 2023-2024 school year will need to purchase a laptop with the current specs and the computer **CAN BE PURCHASED ANYWHERE**. All devices **MUST** be imaged at A+ Computers for a fee of \$125. All laptops must be brought to A+ Computers for imaging **NO LATER THAN** July 25 to have them ready for the first day of school.

## PILLAR SPOTLIGHT: ACADEMICS

When some people hear the word Dwenger, they may think of the word TRADITION. Many are associated with Bishop Dwenger...from the Spirit Tree to game night themes to school uniforms, ties and plaid skirts; the school is rich with traditions handed down from generation to generation of Saints. One of these long standing traditions is our history of academic excellence and meeting the needs of ALL students that walk through our doors.

We are proud to share that we aim to educate the whole child. We offer basic, academic, and honor level courses in a variety of the disciplines while incorporating technology with our blended learning style of education. There are many elective courses offered to enrich students with a holistic educational experience while preparing them for life after high school. We work with the Anthis Career Center and have a work-based learning program to allow students to explore alternative forms of hands-on learning. Students may take Advanced Placement courses and/or dual credit courses. Yet, at the core of our well-rounded, faith-based education is enrollment in a Theology course each semester. Learning about our Catholic Faith and growing closer to God is at the center of who we are. For more on our course offerings, check out our curriculum guide at [www.bishopdwenger.com/curriculum](http://www.bishopdwenger.com/curriculum)



## Pastoral Ministry Says Hello

Hello Future Saints,

We are both very grateful for the opportunity to work with you and help you grow in your relationship with Christ over your four high school years. By working with our school chaplains, Pastoral Ministry provides opportunities for the sacraments, prayer, and time spent with Jesus in the chapel throughout the school day.

Pastoral Ministry Staff Includes:

- ♦ Mr. Jason Garrett (Pastoral Minister)
- ♦ Ms. Nancy Yorke (Service Coordinator)
- ♦ Mrs. Mindy Cochran (Life Skills Counselor)
- ♦ Fr. Michael Ammer (School Chaplain)
- ♦ Fr. Luke Okoye (School Chaplain)

We look forward to providing you with a wonderful and spiritually-enriching experience while at Bishop Dwenger. There are numerous ways to grow in one's faith or learn more about the Catholic faith for those who may not be Catholic. The lunchtime Decade Club, class retreats, Eucharistic Adoration, Stations of the Cross, May Crowning, and other events provide opportunities for an encounter with Jesus Christ.

We look forward to seeing you here and know that Pastoral Ministry is always available for you.

## Admission Procedure for the Class of 2027



December 1 Applications made available online

January 15 Application, Registration Fee and supporting documentation deadline

Early February Applicants notified of status

Applications for all grades are subject to available space in the school.

Bishop Dwenger promotes an open enrollment policy accepting students without regard to color, race, gender, or national origin, and uses its best efforts to accommodate the disabled in its educational programs. The school is an equal opportunity provider.

*Bishop Dwenger reserves the right to request any additional information from a student's current school or parents/guardians that it deems necessary to consider with regards to a student's application.*

## SAINTS BY THE NUMBERS

930 Total Enrollment

14 Average years experience per teacher

15:1 Student to Staff Ratio

16 AP and Dual Credit Classes Offered

63% Class of 2022 Earning a Core 40 Honors Diploma

Scholarship money awarded to the Class of 2022

OVER \$7 Million

76% Class of 2021 attending a 4-year college

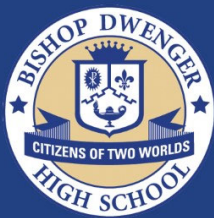
1135 Mean SAT Score

42 Advanced Placement Scholars

73% Class of 2022 who scored a 3 or higher on Advanced Placement Exams

Mean ACT Score 25.2

96% Attendance Rate Maintained by BDHS Students



# 1 COME BE ONE WITH US!

Join us for Open House!  
Tuesday, October 18  
6:30 pm - 8:00 pm  
SAC Gym, Enter at Door 4 & 5

\$500 tuition credit drawing for a current  
8th grader who attends

## BISHOP DWENGER MERIT SCHOLARSHIP



This exam is offered to any 8<sup>th</sup> grade student interested in competing for an academic scholarship applied toward Bishop Dwenger tuition. Typically, 4-8 scholarships are awarded each year, determined solely on merit, not financial need.

<b>Date</b>	Saturday, December 10, 2022 (No alternative date)
<b>Start Time</b>	Arrival @8:45 am Testing begins @9:00 am
<b>End Time</b>	11:45 am test concludes 12:00 pm students picked up
<b>Registration</b>	\$30.00; Deadline November 30 BishopDwenger.com > Admissions
<b>Bring</b>	Two #2 pencils (no mechanical pencils)
<b>Walk-Ins</b>	Limited number of walk-in spots available. Filled on a first come-first served basis. \$35.00.

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