

# GLENDALE, AZ

(Phoenix Metropolitan Area)  
Dream City Christian School  
Private Day School



Glendale is a fast growing suburb of Phoenix, the capital of Arizona. Nearly 4.3 million people live in the Phoenix metropolitan area, with 225,000 of those people living in Glendale. Phoenix is the largest capital city in America, and the sixth largest city by population in the United States.

The Phoenix metropolitan area features thriving arts and culture scene, from unique gardens, centers, and historic areas to world-class museums, such as the Arizona Science Center, Heard Museum, and Frank Lloyd Wright Museum. Phoenix also features sporting venues for all America's major national sports teams, such as the Arizona Diamondbacks (MLB), Arizona Cardinals (NFL), Phoenix Coyotes (NHL), and Phoenix Suns (NBA). Glendale is the sports destination of Arizona. It is home to both University of Phoenix Stadium and Gila River Arena.

Glendale is a premiere shopping destination! The city is home to Tanger Outlets and the popular Arrowhead Town Center, an indoor shopping mall that features a collection of more than 170 top brands, restaurants, movie theater and a food court. Downtown Glendale incorporates two distinct shopping districts: Caitlin Court and Old Towne. The Westgate Entertainment District offers a dynamic mix of restaurants, shops, and attractions with an open-air style. Glendale also is home to Midwestern University, metropolitan Phoenix's first medical school, as well as a major post-graduate international business school: the Thunderbird School of Global Management.

Arizona is unique for its strong ties to its Native American residents, and it is the hallmark of the American southwest. The Phoenix Metropolitan area has a hot desert climate, with long, extremely hot summers and short, mild winters. The city of Glendale features beautiful residential areas, nice and safe neighborhoods, great communities and families and very good education.

## **FUN FACTS**

- Glendale averages 294 sunny days each year.
- Glendale sits at an elevation of 1,152 feet.
- The Wet N' Wild Phoenix water park is located in Glendale and is Arizona's biggest and best water park.
- With over 70 antique and specialty shops in its downtown area, Glendale is known as "Arizona's Antique Capital".
- American Idol winner Jordin Sparks is a Glendale native.
- The University of Phoenix Stadium in Glendale is the first field in North America to include a retractable roof and a mobile grass playing field. The stadium was featured on The History Channel's series, *Modern Marvels*.

## Dream City Christian School



### AGE REQUIREMENT

**Middle School:** 12 to 13 years old  
**High School:** 14 to 18 years old

### SCHOOL DETAILS

**Type of School:** COED  
**Number of Students:** 500  
**International Population:** 6%  
**ESOL/ESL classes:** Yes  
**Sports:** Yes  
**12th Grade Students:** Yes  
**Semester Program:** Yes  
**Average SAT Score:** 1050  
**Student-Teacher Ratio:** 16/1

Dream City Christian School is a highly rated private Christian school located in the suburbs of Phoenix, AZ. The school's challenging curriculum, excellent fine arts program, dual enrollment classes and competitive Varsity athletics teams have made DCC an educational leader in the Northwest Valley. Extra-curricular programs include the National Honors Society, STEM (Science Technology Engineering Math), Genius Hour, Gifted and Talented Programs, Community Service Clubs, Band, Choir, Drama, Cheerleading, and more.

The International Program at DCCS provides personalized attention to each student. Six experiential trips are planned each year including trips, such as the Grand Canyon, California Coast (San Francisco and Los Angeles), Utah for skiing, and mission trips to Mexico and the Native American reservations. Students are taught the importance of a well-rounded life by teaching life skills, interpersonal relationship skills, and responsibility through group travel and activities.

DCC offers English as a Second Language (ESL) support to all international students, which includes ESL English I and II courses. The school also offers an intensive ESL Tutoring Program with a class size of five or less, providing up to 100 minutes of tutoring daily, in ELL, TOEFL, SAT and ACT preparation. The classroom tutoring curriculum focuses on reading, writing, listening, and speaking academic English. Assistance is provided in compulsory course homework, assignments and projects. Special individual attention is given to college entrance essays, college selection, application assistance and other academic guidance and collegiate guidance counseling.

Dream City Christian is considered a big school in regards to the number of sports offered and the level of their players. DCC teams are competitive and each year many participate at the championship level. The school offers great athletic facilities, with most being right on our campus. In addition, student athletes take part in several enrichment activities throughout the year that inter-discipline with athletics; activities such as team building, community service, DCC activities, and Christian motivations. DCC sports offerings include Baseball, Basketball (boys and girls), Cheerleading, Cross Country, Golf, Mountain Biking, Sand Volleyball, Soccer, Softball and Volleyball. DCC also has a National and a Junior National Basketball Team for top level players.

School website: <https://dreamcityschools.org>



## HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM USA



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# SCOTTSDALE, AZ

(Phoenix Metropolitan Area)

Rancho Solano Prep School

Private Day & Boarding School



Scottsdale is one of Arizona's largest cities, with a population of more than 230,000. It's located east of the state's capital Phoenix. With a rich history in tourism, Scottsdale is visited by more than 9 million people annually. Scottsdale is a safe, family-friendly community with unmatched options for outdoor recreation, entertainment, shopping and dining. The city offers ranches for horseback ride, hiking trails, golf courses, hot air balloon rides, award winning resorts and acclaimed art galleries and museums for its residents that enjoy a quality of life like no other.

Scottsdale is a pretty energetic fashion capital all on its own, especially during the Phoenix Fashion week, when fashion designers from all over the world flock to see the latest trends. The Scottsdale Civic Center Mall it's a very popular entertainment location and doesn't just have restaurants and shops—it has fountains, sculptures and even a lagoon. It's also the home of the city's Civic Center, Scottsdale Center For the Performing Arts and the Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art. The city's slogan is "The West's most Western Town" and true to its name, it hosts the extremely popular annual month-long rodeo. The Parada del Sol Parade is the event that kicks off this event is the world's largest horse-drawn parade.

The city of Scottsdale has an arid desert climate, with over 300 days of sunny weather, which makes it ideal for outdoor activities. Scottsdale offers a good public transportation system and students have easy access from any neighborhood to the downtown area. Known as much for its sophisticated urban flair as its magnificent Sonoran Desert setting, Scottsdale is a fun, vibrant city that offers endless opportunities for outdoor adventure.

## **FUN FACTS**

- You can actually go to college in Scottsdale to earn a degree in being a cowboy. It's called the Arizona Cowboy College.
- Scottsdale is only four hours from the ocean.
- Ice cream made of prickly pears (a type of edible cactus) is a staple dessert cuisine in Scottsdale.
- Scottsdale holds the record for the largest number of destination spas per capita in the entire nation.
- Chili was declared to be the official food of the city by the mayor in 1994.
- Scottsdale has more than 125 art galleries and studios
- The city holds the record for the most fans in attendance for the prestigious PGA Golf Tour at the Stadium

## AGE REQUIREMENT

Middle School: 13 years old

High School: 14 to 18 years old

## SCHOOL DETAILS

Type of School: COED

Number of Students: 500

International Population: 4%

ESOL/ESL classes: Yes

Sports: Yes

12th Grade Students: Yes

Semester Program: Yes

Average SAT Score: 1290

Student-Teacher Ratio: 7/1

# Rancho Solano Prep School

TOP 2  
Best Private  
K-12 School  
in AZ



Rancho Solano Preparatory School is a PreK-12 independent day and boarding school for high achieving students. The school stands apart from other Arizona schools for their small class sizes, highly trained and passionate teachers, personalized academic curricula and wide range of course offerings at all levels that help students develop the character and competitive edge they need to excel in college and beyond.

Rancho Solano offers students the choice of either a general US high school diploma or the International Baccalaureate (IB) diploma program. Rancho Solano is the only private school in the greater Phoenix area to receive the International Baccalaureate authorization. The IB Diploma Program is recognized worldwide for its academic rigor and holistic approach to education, and Successful performance on IB examinations allows students to earn college credit while in high school. In the IB Diploma Program, 11th and 12th grade students study six courses at both standard level (SL) and high level (HL). Subjects include English, foreign languages, history, the experimental sciences, and mathematics. The sixth subject is an IB elective which often includes the arts. Few students follow the same path, as class selection is tailored to individual student strengths and interests.

The school offers wide range of academic and extracurricular opportunities, including an excellent Arts program. The Performing Arts Department offers both performance and theoretical based classes in Concert Band, Choir, Dance, String Orchestra and IB Music. Members of the school's performing ensembles perform regularly in festivals, concerts, and competitions. The Media Arts curriculum offers students a full production sequence where they learn film making, editing, directing, and screenwriting. Students are given the opportunity to discover their unique voice as multi-media creators, using their state-of-the-art equipment and post production lab. The program is designed to create critical thinkers as they learn about film history and aesthetics, media criticism, broadcast communication, and effects of mass media and media's role in society.

Rancho Solano Prep features athletic facilities that are unmatched in Arizona, which include a state-of-the art gymnasium, weight room, outdoor field, sand volleyball courts and outdoor court. Available High School sports: Volleyball (girls), Cross Country (boys & girls), Soccer (boys), Basketball (boys & girls), Tennis (boys & girls), Beach Volleyball (girls) and Golf (Boys).

School website: [www.ranchosolano.com](http://www.ranchosolano.com)



## Boarding Life



Rancho Solano Preparatory School provide students a welcoming and safe environment that builds a sense of independence. Residence facilities offer comfortable dormitory-style rooms that accommodate between 2 to 4 students per room. Boarding facilities are typically equipped with: cable & satellite television, Internet access and phones, quiet study spaces, laundry facilities, kitchens and common areas, access to fitness and pool facilities. Meals are provided for all boarding students—either at school or in-residence. Boarding students generally have dinner together, buffet style, with the Boarding Director, Dorm Parent or a faculty guest. Students also have the opportunity to dine out occasionally as part of regularly scheduled social activities. Residential life chefs and caterers are able to accommodate a wide range of dietary needs.

Each student residence facility has an experienced, adult staff member who lives in-residence and is available to support the social and emotional wellbeing of the students. Once classes have ended for the school day, boarding students make use of the facilities to partake in their preferred fine arts, digital media, clubs or sports-related activities. Weekend programs include excursions that allow students to experience the community and culture around the school. These outings are planned to align with students' interests and provide an engaging, supervised opportunity to interact with their classmates, so that every student has the opportunity to socialize, experience community life, and pursue personal interests.



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