



**GIMNASIO
CAMPESTRE**



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School Profile

2018 - 2019

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OUR MISSION

Gimnasio Campestre educates Men of Honor through the practice of Christian values, so they are honest, competent, proud men of their identity and committed to their vocation for service and leadership, aimed for the construction of a sustainable, more just and equitable country and world.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Gimnasio Campestre is a private nonprofit school founded in 1946, that provides a Catholic and bilingual education for young men. The School is certified by Bureau Veritas International and accredited by the Colombian Ministry of Education, the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) and the Council of International Schools (CIS).

The School delivers its bilingual (Spanish-English) curriculum program from Pre-k through grade 11, for a total of fourteen years. The average class size is 25, being 28 the maximum by school policy. The faculty/student ratio is 1:10. The School calendar begins in August and ends in June.

SCHOOL GRADES	GRADE EQUIVALENT
Pre-Kinder (4 to 5 years old)	Pre-kindergarten – PK
Kinder (5 to 6 years old)	Kinder - K
Transition (6 to 7 years old)	First grade – 1
First grade – 1 (7 to 8 years old)	Second grade – 2
Second grade – 2 (8 to 9 years old)	Third grade – 3
Third grade – 3 (9 to 10 years old)	Fourth grade – 4
Fourth grade – 4 (10 to 11 years old)	Fifth grade – 5
Fifth grade – 5 (11 to 12 years old)	Sixth grade – 6
Sixth grade – 6 (12 to 13 years old)	Seventh grade – 7
Seventh grade – 7 (13 to 14 years old)	Eighth grade – 8
Eighth grade – 8 (14 to 15 years old)	Ninth grade – 9
Ninth grade – 9 (15 to 16 years old)	Tenth grade – 10
Tenth grade – 10 (16 to 17 years old)	Eleventh grade - 11
Eleventh grade – 11 (17 to 18 years old)	Twelfth grade – 12

STUDENT BODY

There are 1002 students currently enrolled: 214 in Preschool (PK, K, Transition), 382 in Elementary (1st – 5th grade) and 405 in High School (6th – 11th). Our 2019 senior class will have 71 students.

The majority of students are colombians whose families pursue a values-based and rigorous bilingual education for their boys. All Gimnasio Campestre's formative principles and practices encourage self-discipline, responsible decision-making and a deep sense of social awareness. Interculturalism and internationalism are also part of the formative context allowing the school's community to take part of globalization, to promote the cultural diversity and the ideals of democracy and citizenship. International students and families from diverse backgrounds are welcome to the school. Hundred percent (100%) of our 2018 senior class has pursued undergraduate studies

CURRICULUM

The curriculum is organized towards the development of competences that allow the integration of different areas of study. All subjects converge into four common competences, ensuring students use their motor skills, cognitive aptitudes and emotional resources appropriately at each stage of their growth. All subjects aim to form students to become capable of managing information, think critically, be creative and develop awareness of their learning process.

Preschool, Elementary, Middle and High school curriculum run in trimestral periods. Math, Science, Arts and English language are taught in English in preschool and elementary levels. In middle school Math, Science, English language, Fine Arts and Religion are taught in Spanish. In High school, Social Studies, Arts, Music and Religion are taught in English, whereas Science, Math and Philosophy are taught in Spanish. Furthermore, students from fifth to ninth grade are learning French as a third language. In tenth and eleventh grades, students are able to choose their Fine Arts emphasis from arts, visual arts or music depending on their vocation.

Achievement standards are set for all subjects meaning that every student is required to take the most demanding coursework.

SUBJECT	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019
	WEEKLY HOURS			
	8°	9°	10°	11°
Spanish	6	5	5	5
English	7	7	5	5
Social Studies	6	5	3	4
Natural Science	5	5	0	0
Chemistry	0	0	5	5
Physics	0	0	5	5
Biology & Statistics	0	0	2	2
Mathematics	6	6	5	5
Music	2	0	0	0
Arts	2	0	0	0
Fine Arts	0	4	2	2
Physical Education	2	2	2	2
Research	2	2	1	0
Religion	2	2	0	0
Ethics	0	0	2	2
Philosophy	0	2	4	4
TOTAL	40	40	41	41

GRADING AND EVALUATION

Gimnasio Campestre's evaluation system is qualitative and competence-based. Grades are expressed in five letters indicating the student's level of achievement: E (excellent), S (outstanding), B (good), I (insufficient) and D (deficient). These letters have an equivalent numerical range from 0 to 4. In order to pass a subject, students must satisfactorily accomplish 75% of the assessment indicators.

GRADING SCALE AND EQUIVALENTS

SCHOOL GRADING SCALE	AMERICAN GRADING SCALE EQUIVALENT	NUMERICAL EQUIVALENCE	COLOMBIAN MINISTRY OF EDUCATION GRADING SCALE EQUIVALENCE
EXCELLENT (E)	A+	4	Superior Performance
OUTSTANDING (S)	A	3,9 - 3,7	
	A-	3,5 - 3,6	
	B+	3,3 - 3,4	
GOOD (B)	B	3,0 - 3,2	High Performance
	B-	2,7 - 2,9	Basic Performance
	C+	2,5 - 2,6	
	C	2,3 - 2,4	
	C-	1,7 - 2,2	
INSUFFICIENT (I)	D+	1,3 - 1,6	Low Performance
	D	1,0 - 1,2	
	D-	0,7 - 0,9	
DEFICIENT (D)	F	0	

GPA

We do not calculate Grade Point Average (GPA) as part of the student's evaluation. If a GPA is requested, we use the shown Grading scale and equivalents table, considering all subjects with the same relative weight from 8th grade up to 11th grade.

RANK

The School has chosen not to publicly rank the students. There is an internal rank used to recognize the academic achievement of students at the end of the year.

RECOGNITIONS

- Maxima Cum Laude:** To award the student who obtained the highest academic performance in High school during the academic year.
- Academic Honors:** To award students who obtained the highest academic performance in their class.
- Honorable Mentions:** To award the students who obtained the second and third best academic performance in their class.

OTHER RECOGNITIONS AND AWARDS

“ORDEN DE SAN JORGE”

This award honors students who stand out for exemplary conduct, dedication to the fulfillment of academic duties and impeccable manners. Under the Order, one may belong to: First degree (Caballero) - Outstanding men of honor; Second degree (Oficial) - Service to the church, homeland or society; or, Third degree (Comendador) - Loyalty to the School's principles and public recognition by means of national highest honors.

Our senior students are also awarded for:

- Best research project of the year.
- The Alfonso Casas Morales Medal for Honorability.
- The Lorenzo Casas Morales Medal for Loyalty.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students must complete all grade level subjects in order to be eligible for graduation. In addition, every student must achieve 90 hours of community service and present an original research paper at the end of 11th grade.

TESTING INFORMATION

All seniors take the PRUEBA SABER 11, which is the required Colombian National Examination for university entrance. PSAT 8/9 is offered in eighth grade (8^o) and in tenth grade (10^o) students are required to take the Preliminary SAT (PSAT/NMSQT).

Juniors and Seniors may take SATs if they choose to.

LEARNING SUPPORT SERVICES

The Pedagogical Support Center (CAP) attends students' needs for therapy or tutoring in specific areas (learning difficulties or particular learning needs). A team of psychologists and therapists admit boys who might need special attention regarding developmental, educational or emotional issues, in order to support student success.

MARCHING BAND: It has been constituted as an autonomous space for students, who assume the entire responsibility role of music composition, martial order and administrative organization.

UNITED NATIONS MODEL: The school sponsors a Model United Nations program as an extra-curricular activity for students between grades 6th to 11th.

SCOUTS: Gimnasio Campestre's "Grupo Noveno" Scout is one of the oldest in the country.

FOREFRONT OF CATHOLIC SOCIAL ACTION (VACS): This organization is directed by 11th grade students and focuses in generating different programs to aid underprivileged communities.

INTERESTING FACTS

and HIGHLIGHTS

RESEARCH:

- More than 40 research projects conducted every year by teachers and students.
- 13 consolidated research pathways.
- UNESCO prize winning program in research for preschool.
- National and international academic recognitions in Ecology, Molecular Biology, Astrophysics and arts.
- More than 350 articles published in our research magazine, El Astrolabio, distributed for free to more than 1500 academic and scientific institutions. For more information, please refer to www.revistaelastrolabio.com.

MEDIA PRODUCTION LED BY STUDENTS:

- Weekly broadcasting for the whole community, produced by teachers and students who are part of the Moving Image emphasis.
- Radio station led by students.
- Students newspaper "The Excelsior" run by 11th grade students.

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM:

- STEM: Astronomy, Robotics, Lego, Minecraft, Junior Engineers.
- Sports: Chess, Table Tennis, Taekwondo, Mountain bike, Athletics, Soccer, Basketball and Hockey.
- Arts: Drama, Rock Band, Photography, Comics Design, 3D Animation.
- Winning prizes in robotics international contests.

COLLEGE SUMMARY

Graduates from Gimnasio Campestre have been admitted and enrolled over the past five years to the following institutions:

IN COLOMBIA

Aeroandes (Aviation Academy)
CESA
Pontificia Universidad Javeriana
Universidad de los Andes
Universidad de la Sabana
Universidad del Bosque
Universidad del Norte
Universidad del Rosario
Universidad Externado de Colombia
Universidad Jorge Tadeo Lozano
Universidad Nacional de Colombia

ABROAD

UNITES STATES OF AMERICA

American University
Babson College
Bentley University
Briar Cliff University
Broward College
California College of the Arts
Clarkson University
College of the Holy Cross
Concordia College
Cornell University
DePaul University
DePauw University
Drew University
Embry Riddle Aeronautical University
Epic Flight Academy
Florida International University
Fordham University
Full Sail University
George Washington University
Georgetown University
Georgia Institute of Technology
High Point University

Hofstra University
Loyola University New Orleans
Johns Hopkins University
Kansas Wesleyan University
Lynn University
Miami University
Michigan State University
Musicians Institute
New York Film Academy
New York University
Ohio State University
Ohio Wesleyan University
Pace University
Pennsylvania State University
Purdue University
Rice University
Santa Fe University of Art and Design
Sarah Lawrence University
Snow College
St. Edward University
St John's University
Texas Tech University
The College of Saint Rose
The University of Alabama at Birmingham
The University of Southern Mississippi
Transpac Aviation Academy
University of Central Florida
University of Colorado – Boulder
University of Dubuque
University of Miami
University of Minnesota
Wittenberg University
Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI)

SOUTH AMERICA

Universidad EARTH, Costa Rica

CANADA

Algonquin College
Acadia University
Brock University
Concordia University
Dalhousie University
Niagara College
McGill University
Mount Royal University
The University of British Columbia (UBC)

EUROPE

Escuela Internacional de Administración Hotelera Vatel, Spain
European University, Spain
Gloucestershire University, UK
Hotel-Escuela de Sant Pol de Mar, Spain
Hult International Business School, UK
IESEG - School of Management, France
Instituto de Empresa, Spain
Instituto del Cine, Spain
Toulouse Business School, France
Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, - Spain
Universidad CEU Cardenal Herrera, Spain
Universidad Europea de Madrid, Spain
Universidad Navarra, Spain
University of Sheffield, UK
Universidad Ramon Lull, Spain

ASIA AND AUSTRALIA

Monash University – Australia
William Anglis University – Australia

Class of 2018
Class of 2017
Currently enrolled