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CHRISTIAN BROTHERS HIGH SCHOOL HISTORY

In 1876, the Brothers came to Sacramento. Their first school was located at 12th and K Streets. It was only the second high school to open in Sacramento, Sacramento High having been established 20 years earlier.

In 1923, the school moved to larger quarters with construction of the new Christian Brothers High School at 21st and Broadway. From 1956 to 1964, the school at 21st and Broadway retained the freshmen and sophomores, but the juniors and seniors, together with the upper-division girls from St. Joseph's Academy at 9th and G Streets and from St. Francis High School at 25th and K Streets, attended the new diocesan co-institutional high school on Sacramento Boulevard, Bishop Armstrong.

From its beginning in 1876 until 1964, the school maintained a boarding department. The resident students ranged from the fourth grade through the twelfth until 1957 when the elementary grades were discontinued to make room for the expanding high school enrollment.

In 1964, the Christian Brothers purchased Bishop Armstrong High School from the Diocese of Sacramento, and that school became a private Catholic four-year high school for boys. Some of the girls from Bishop Armstrong moved to the new St. Francis High School at 60th and M Streets; others attended the old St. Joseph's Academy for a year until the Academy was replaced by Bishop Manogue High School on the site of the former Christian Brothers at 21st and Broadway.

In 1968, the school reclaimed its original name of Christian Brothers High School.

Today we have more than 6,000 names on our alumni files of former students, who, to our knowledge, are still living. We can only estimate that another 1,000 or more are deceased over these 107 years. Our graduates are among the civic leaders of the community and are employed in the legal and medical professions, and in the white and blue collar jobs of both business and industry. Many are teachers in the public schools, and many others work for the city, county, and state.

ADMISSION POLICY

Christian Brothers High School admits, in compliance with the Civil Rights Act of 1964, those students whose ability and general record indicate a basic success in the program of studies at the high school. We accept the "Statement of Admission Policy" of the Diocese of Sacramento. Consequently, no qualified student will be denied admission to this school on the basis of race, color, or national origin.

Admission is based on a variety of factors: previous test scores, conduct, effort and recommendations. In certain cases, interviews are required of applicants and their parents. First consideration is extended to students from our Catholic feeder schools. Special consideration also is granted relatives of former and/or current students of Christian Brothers High School. When applications are oversubscribed and a choice between admitting a Catholic and non-Catholic student of similar qualifications must be made, preference will be given to the Catholic student.

The PLACEMENT EXAMINATION is not used as the single criterion for admission. It is used to place students in appropriate scholastic programs as determined by the academic advisors.

At the discretion of the Principal, in conjunction with the Admissions Committee, other considerations may be extended to students of families who have traditionally supported and assisted Christian Brothers High School.

Even though Christian Brothers High School is mainly financed through tuition, ability to pay is not the sole consideration for admission. Families needing economic or grant-in-aid are encouraged to apply. Christian Brothers High School offers limited financial assistance in scholarships, grants and tuition reductions. Application for financial aid must be made separately through the business office. This policy reflects a fundamental orientation of the Christian Brothers to provide education for those in economic need. Inability to pay should not be the reason for an otherwise qualified student not to apply.

TUITION

Tuition (one year) \$2,700

The actual cost is approximately \$3,700. Tuition does not include books, personal school supplies, gym clothing, retreats, testing for college or national programs, or other voluntary programs over and above requirements of the curriculum.

FINANCIAL AID PROGRAM

A limited financial aid program is available in the form of tuition reduction (grant-in-aid and work assistance) for those families whose financial resources might otherwise prevent them from sending their sons to Christian Brothers High School. Formal written application is required. Forms are available in the Financial Office. Requests for financial aid must be completed and filed with the office by May 15th. A \$10.00 processing fee is charged per family application. All financial aid requests are reviewed by the Financial Aid Committee of the Board of Regents and granted on an annual basis. Application must be submitted each year. Since there are only limited funds available for this aid, the requested sums may not be granted.

Each year the Western Province of the Christian Brothers (De La Salle Institute) assists Christian Brothers High School and their other educational institutions with a contribution for needy students. This financial assistance allows Christian Brothers High School to offer its educational programs at reduced tuition costs to every student in the school.

FINANCIAL AID MAY BE DISCONTINUED FOR ANY STUDENT NOT MEETING ACADEMIC AND DISCIPLINARY REQUIREMENTS. ANY SEMESTER D AND F GRADES AND/OR CONDUCT NOT IN KEEPING WITH THE REGULATIONS OF THE SCHOOL MAY DISQUALIFY A STUDENT FROM THE FINANCIAL AID PROGRAM.

IMPORTANT: Any student who does not fulfill his work obligations connected with his grant may be terminated from the Financial Aid Program. Students who are granted financial aid and later disqualify themselves are expected to pay the remaining amount of the tuition if they are to remain in the school.

AMBASSADOR CLUB

The Ambassador Club was founded in 1984. Membership is extended to those individuals who contribute \$1,000 or more annually. \$1,000 may be contributed commulatively to the various fund raising activities. Ambassador Club puts on a black tie dinner annually. It is generally scheduled in October. Members receive a Bennett sculpture which was designed specially for the Christian Brothers.

NIGHT AT THE RACES

Night At The Races was initiated in 1981. Although it is a major fund raiser it has become the school's most popular social event. The gymnasium and cafeteria are converted to a track and turf club. Funds are raised as a result of the sale of food and beverages as well as para mutual betting.

LA SALLE CLUB

The La Salle Club was founded in the 1930's and is the oldest fund raising and support organization at the school. The purpose is to support the schools athletic and physical education programs. Their events include the La Salle Club frolic and barbeque as well as various athletic banquets, including the Baseball Hall of Fame Dinner.

PARENT SERVICE ORGANIZATION

The Parent Service Organization is an active group whose primary purpose is to encourage parents and families of enrolled students to participate in various social functions of the school. The PSO does not limit its activities to service and fund raising, but the Parents Board also plays a vital role in advising the Principal on academic matters and school policies. All parents are members of the Parents Service Organization. Some of the main functions of the organization are the class Family Liturgies, Parent/Teacher Information Nights, and the annual Crab Feed.

CB 200

CB 200 started in 1982 as a fund raising activity. As originally conceived, 200 individuals contributed \$200 for an opportunity to draw a key that would start a cadillac. Subsequently, the price was increased to \$300 for the same opportunities. In 1987, the format was altered to 1,500 individuals, each of whom would pay, \$100. The location changed to the school campus where, lavish food, beverages, and entertainment were provided and the opportunity to win two vehicles, as well as cash prizes.

TASK FORCE III

The Board of Regent's Task Force I was established to evaluate the desirability of relocating Christian Brothers High School. Task Force I recommended relocation as a potential long-range benefit to the school. Task Force III has the responsibility for acquiring adequate acreage upon which a new campus could be constructed.

PARENT GIFT PROGRAM

The actual cost of educating a student at Christian Brothers High School exceeds tuition by approximately \$1,000. Parents are annually apprised of the actual difference between tuition and cost and are invited to donate towards the difference.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Alumni Association is responsible for a variety of activities, including class reunions, the golf tournament, Career Day, and the annual Alumni Dinner. In addition, the Alumni Association assumes responsibility for the Alumni Appeal which is an annual fund raising appeal to the approximate 7,000 Christian Brothers High School alumni.

CONNECTION

The Connection is a quarterly publication of the Board of Regents distributed by the Development Office to the alumni, parents, and benefactors of Christian Brothers High School at no cost to the recipients as part of the public relations program. It describes the activities of various alumni, the activities at the school and general information regarding the preceding quarter that pertain to the Christian Brothers.

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- A. Ambrose Hall
- B. Storage
- C. Ladies Lounge
- D. Teacher's Lounge
- E. Faculty Resource Center
- F. Associate Dean of Studies
- G. Administrative Vice Principal
- H. Associate Dean of Students
- I. Dean of Students
- J. Main Office
- K. Business Office
- L. Principal's Secretary
- M. Dean of Studies
- N. Principal
- O. Chapel
- P. Brothers Residence
- Q. Lavatory
- R. Audio Visual
- S. Bookstore
- T. Locker Room
- U. Boiler Room
- V. Faculty Dining Room
- W. Student Parking
- X. Storage/Photo Lab
- Y. Maintenance Shop
- Z. Athletic Director's Office
- AA. Assistant Athletic Director's Office
- BB. Coaches' Office
- CC. Director of Student Activities/SAC
- DD. Guidance Center
- EE. Campus Ministry

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