SCHOOL PROFILE 2025-26

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ABOUT EL CAMINO ACADEMY

El Camino Academy was founded in 1980 by a group of North American missionary parents who desired a U.S.-based curriculum for their children's education. Today, about 96% of our students are from Colombian business and ministry families; the remainder are from foreign missionary and diplomatic families.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

> **1st Semester**: August - December

> **2nd Semester**: January - June

ACCREDITATION

ACSI ACCREDITED
ASSOCIATION OF CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS INTERNATIONAL

MSA CESS ACCREDITED

Colombian Ministry of Education Approved

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

All graduates receive a U.S. high school diploma of international recognition, and all students who meet the requirements earn a Colombian diploma.

- A minimum of 22 credits are needed for the U.S. diploma (18 required and 4 elective). Requirements for a Colombian diploma are 6 years of core classes.
- Since 2012, 96% of our students have received both diplomas.
- Every student must complete 120 hours of community service by the end of 12th grade.
- Students must complete at least 2 years at ECA, one being the entire senior year.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT BODY

ECA is a comprehensive 4-year high school with 78 students in grades 9-12.

Seniors	21
Juniors	13
Sophomores	21
Freshmen	23

CURRICULUM

The academic program at ECA is organized on a standard period schedule. The maximum course load is 3.8 credits per semester. Students have eight 45-minute classes daily. The school year has 180 school days starting in early August and finishing early June. Courses range from 0.1 to 0.5 credits per semester, based on the number of periods scheduled per week. Most students take 6 core courses per semester:

Spanish, Social Studies, Science,
Math, English, and Bible

The normal course load for 9th - 12th grade is 10 courses per semester.

Honors Classes: We offer honors classes in English, Math, and Spanish.

AP Courses: We offer AP Calculus BC. ECA students consistently score higher than the national average on their AP exams.

Classes in Spanish: Spanish and select Social Studies classes are the only classes taught in Spanish.

GRADING AND RANKING

ECA ranks only 1st and 2nd place due to small class size.

Unweighted GPA Scale

Letter Grade	Numeric Equivalent	Points	Letter Grade	Numeric Equivalent	Points
A+	98-100%	4.0	C+	77-79%	2.3
A	93-97%	4.0	C	73-76%	2.0
A-	90-92%	3.7	C-	70-72%	1.7
B+	87-89%	3.3	D+	67-69%	1.3
B	83-86%	3.0	D	63-66%	1.0
B-	80-82%	2.7	D-	60-62%	.7
			F	0-59%	0

Note: Honors courses are awarded an additional .5 quality point, and AP courses are awarded an additional 1.0 quality point. Transfer credits are not included in the GPA.

STANDARDIZED TESTS

> **PSAT/SAT** - 10th and 11th graders take the PSAT, 11th and 12th graders the SAT.

> ***Pre SABER*** - Standardized Colombian test given to all 11th graders in the areas of Spanish, Math, and Science

> ***SABER 11 / ICFES*** - Colombian college entrance exam that all Colombian students take

> **AP Exams** - Students are guided in studying for AP exams.

CLASS OF 2025 SAT

(Middle 50% Range)

Math	520-620
Evidence-Based Reading and Writing	610-700
Overall Scores	1160-1270

INTERESTING FACTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

> In the last 5 years, ECA students have scored an average of 88 out of 100 on the English section of the ICFES exam, which reflects our high level of bilingualism.

> ECA emphasizes service, leadership, and discipleship.

> **Service** - ECA students participate in service trips during the fall and spring to needy areas of Colombia.

> **Model United Nations** - Students regularly participate in this university-level extracurricular activity. Every other year, ECA organizes an internal Model UN.

> ***¡Vive el español!*** - Annually the entire school celebrates our Colombian culture by performing traditional dances and original dramas.

MATRICULATION: CLASSES OF 2021-25

In the United States

- **Calvin University, MI**
- **Columbia International University, SC**
- **Massachusetts Institute of Technology, MA**
- **Nova Southeastern University, FL**
- **Ouachita Baptist University, AR**
- **Savannah School of Art and Design, GA**
- **William Carey University, MS**

In Colombia

- **Pontificia Universidad Javeriana**
- **Universidad de La Sabana**
- **Universidad de los Andes**
- **Universidad El Bosque**
- **Universidad del Rosario**
- **Universidad Icesi**
- **Universidad Nacional de Colombia**

Abroad

- **3iS International Institute of Image & Sound, France**
- **ESADE, Spain**
- **Rome University of Fine Arts, Italy**
- **Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Italy**
- **University of Toronto, Canada**
- **University of Waterloo, Canada**

STUDENT SERVICES

> Learning Center - Specialized teachers are available to support students who exhibit low academic achievement or behavioral concerns. Support may include individualized or small group instruction, as well as support within the classroom, depending on student needs.

> Counseling - Trained Christian psychologists are available for regular or occasional counseling to help students and/or families dealing with difficult social, emotional, or family situations.

> ELL Assistance - ELL specialists provide age-appropriate, intensive English instruction and support, individually or in small groups, to bring students up to grade level.

> Sports - Soccer and volleyball are popular. Our teams compete with neighboring schools.

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