



DISCOVER BROTHER RICE

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Choosing the right high school comes with plenty of questions. Here are answers to some of the things prospective Brother Rice families ask most often.

What does a typical school day look like?

Students attend seven classes plus one lunch period each day, with eight 46-minute periods.

Each day also includes a 15-minute Mentor Group, providing students with a consistent opportunity for connection, guidance, and community.

What is the average class size?

The average class size is 19 students, allowing teachers to know their students and provide meaningful support. Maximum class sizes are:

- English: 22 students
- Science: 24 students
- Other non-PE courses: 28 students
- Physical Education: 30 students

Brother Rice has a 14:1 student-to-teacher ratio.

How does Brother Rice support different learning needs?

Brother Rice offers several layers of academic support. Students with a documented diagnosis through a psychological evaluation and/or a Section 504 Plan, IEP, or Non-Public School Accommodation Plan may be eligible for academic accommodations through our Achieve Plus program.

Teachers also maintain regular office hours before or after school so students can receive additional help.

Students who need extra assistance in a particular subject may also participate in our Academic Coaching Program, which provides one-on-one peer tutoring.

How much homework should students expect?

Academic expectations vary by course and teacher.

In addition to completing assignments, students are encouraged to spend approximately 15–20 minutes reviewing each subject every evening.

On average, students should anticipate approximately 2–3 hours of school-related work each day, including homework, studying, and reviewing course material.

How does Brother Rice prepare students for college and life after high school?

College and post-secondary planning begins early and builds throughout a student's four years at Brother Rice.

Grade-level counselors work directly with students each year, with the level of college and career preparation increasing as students move toward junior and senior year.

Our goal is to help each student identify his strengths, explore opportunities, and confidently prepare for what comes next.

What does the college counseling process include?

Brother Rice provides students and families with guidance throughout the college search, application, and decision-making process.

Learn more about our College Counseling program at: brrice.edu/academics/college-counseling

What advanced courses are available?

Brother Rice offers a wide range of advanced coursework across academic departments.

Families can explore departmental course sequences, prerequisites, and advanced course opportunities at: brrice.edu/academics/departments

How do teachers communicate with parents?

Parents have several ways to remain informed and connected throughout the school year.

PowerSchool and Schoology provide access to course information, assignments, and student performance. Parents may also contact teachers directly by email or phone.

Teachers contact parents when a student's grade falls below 70%, and families have additional opportunities for face-to-face communication through:

- A beginning-of-the-year opportunity to meet their son's teachers
- Parent-Teacher Conferences twice each year

Have more questions?

Reach out to our Admissions Team, we are here to help: 248.833.2020 or enrollment@brrice.edu.