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THE MAGAZINE: *What distinguishes a private education from a public education?*

CHARLES CRANE: Dedicated teachers, strong athletic programs, and a variety of student clubs/governments can be found in both public and private schools. However, several notable factors distinguish a private education from a public education. First, the admissions criteria that private schools set generally helps ensure that students attending private schools are those who can and want to achieve at higher levels, creating a positive learning environment for all students. Class sizes are usually significantly smaller in private schools, allowing for more individualized attention for each student. Also, at Maranatha, through the integration of a Christian worldview, we provide an education that challenges students to think critically within a community that seeks to shape both their hearts and minds.

THE MAGAZINE: *How important is parental involvement in a child's education?*

CHARLES CRANE: Parental involvement in a child's education is an important part of a successful high school experience. Maranatha prides itself on the "relational" aspect of the school's culture. Families and faculty work together to ensure that each student is given individualized attention. Also, our Guidance and College Counseling department seeks to nurture, guide and advocate for our students and families as they prepare for college, career and life after high school.

THE MAGAZINE: *What percentage of funds comes from fundraising and other sources beyond tuition?*

CHARLES CRANE: Tuition and fee revenue provide about 84% of the revenue. Like most private schools, Maranatha relies on a strong Annual Fund to close this gap, and all school families are expected to participate in this important fundraiser.

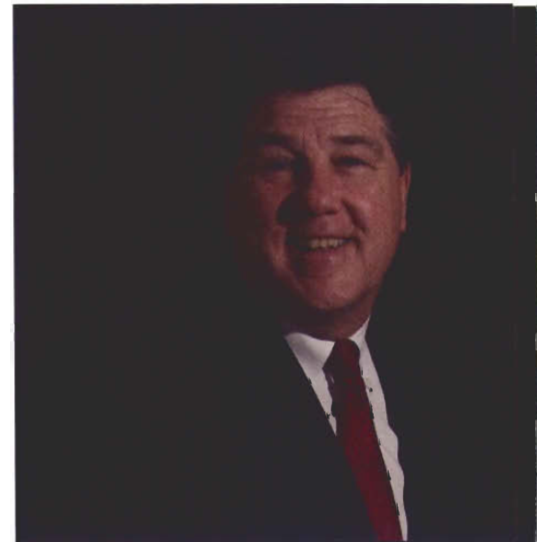
THE MAGAZINE: *How do you ensure a diverse student body?*

CHARLES CRANE: Maranatha serves approximately 692 young men and women from over 25 cities in the San Gabriel and San Fernando Valleys as well as nearly 60 different middle schools, both public and private. Our socio-economic and ethnic diversity continues to grow. Our tuition level, which remains notably lower than several of our surrounding private high schools, helps us to attract a diverse student body, and our financial assistance program also enables families who may not be able to manage without aid.

THE MAGAZINE: *What distinguishes your school from other private schools?*

CHARLES CRANE: The faith-based history of Maranatha distinguishes the school as one school that not only prepares students academically, but also prepares students to live lives of purpose and distinction reflected by character, competency and community, by developing the whole student through relationships, to honor the Lord Jesus Christ.

With its traditions and philosophy rooted in the foundations of classic Christianity, Maranatha also encourages each student to develop an informed and personal faith in Jesus Christ. With many different churches represented in the school community, the school enjoys a diverse community of faith in which a student is enabled to thrive.



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TOTAL # OF STUDENTS: 692

SPECIAL DISTINCTIONS: The educational philosophy of Maranatha High School focuses on four distinctives or tools that we seek to develop in each student: 1.) Christian Critical Thinking, 2.) Competency in the Disciplines, 3.) Compassion for their Community, and 4.) Character that reflects Christ-likeness

YEAR ESTABLISHED: 1965

TUITION: \$13,756.