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### **Scientology: How We Help—Living Up to the President’s School Standards**

*A new brochure, released by the Church of Scientology in March 2013, features the Delphian program, an educational model that lives up to President Obama’s standards for American schools.*

In his 2013 State of the Union Address, President Obama called for “modern schools worthy of our children.” Schools like this are too often sadly lacking—witness bullying and other forms of violence, climbing dropout rates and drugs in the classrooms and schoolyards of America.

The Delphi Academy of Los Angeles, a nondenominational school that offers preschool through high school, lives up to the standards the President calls for.

Academically, the school excels, with SAT scores 320 points above the national average, an average senior class GPA of 3.87 and an average schoolwide exam score of 94.8 percent.

The California Interscholastic Federation (CIF)—the largest high school sports league in California—awarded Delphi Los Angeles their “CIF Academic Challenge Award” for the school’s varsity soccer team, which had the highest Grade Point Average of any CIF school in California.

Providing a drug-free environment is another area where the school excels. The 2012 back-to-school teen survey by the Columbia University Center on Addiction and Drug Abuse revealed that 86 percent of American high school students say that some classmates are taking drugs, drinking and smoking during the school day and almost half know a student who sells drugs at their school. In sharp contrast to that national norm, for this year's National Red Ribbon Week, the high school student government challenged middle and Delphi L.A. high school students to participate in voluntary drug testing. All high school students and 93 percent of the middle school students participated. (The only middle school students who did not were simply not able to obtain parental permission.) Every one of them tested drug free.

One family, worried because their seven-year-old had not yet started to read in public school, enrolled their son at Delphi L.A. After just one month, the child had read 19 books. In the video "A Day in the Delphi Academy Lower School," which appears on the [school's website](#), another seven-year-old proudly displays the 700 books she has read since starting at Delphi in preschool.

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The Church of Scientology has published a new brochure, *Scientology: How We Help—Applied Scholastics, Achieving Literacy and Education*, one of a series of publications presented to meet requests for more information about the Scientology religion and its support of global humanitarian initiatives and social

betterment programs. For more information, visit the Scientology website at [www.scientology.org/AppliedScholastics](http://www.scientology.org/AppliedScholastics).

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