



You know
YOU HAVE POTENTIAL.
So Do We.



ABIGAIL BURSTEIN '25

- Traveled to the Austrian Embassy for the 4th-5th Grade writing contest
- Lacrosse and field hockey — lacrosse is her “absolute favorite sport!”
- Brownies in the Lower School
- Favorite classes (so far): Science and Math
- Favorite memories: Building a catapult during joint STEM week with Boys’ Latin School and bonding with her classmates during the 6th Grade trip, especially the Sandy Springs ropes course

“Garrison Forest’s motto, ‘You can, you will,’ inspires me every day to be the best that I can be. The amazing support from my teachers helps me know that during any challenge, any obstacle, I can do it.”



Who do you want to be?

THIS IS THE PLACE TO FIND OUT.



We do much more than guide you. We support you, coach you and mentor you to embrace all your possibilities – and discover a few you had only dreamed about. Our teachers truly, deeply know who you are, what’s important to you and what makes you smile. Your classes center on the tools and knowledge you need to make your mark – and make a difference – in the world.



Why ALL-GIRLS?

Because your voice matters more than anything else.

Forget about wondering what boys will think or what they might say. In an all-girls’ school, the focus is 100 percent on you. Ask your big (and not-so-big) questions. Take a risk. Voice your opinion. Or just be goofy with your friends. At Garrison Forest, how we teach and how we’ve structured our school environment is all about your needs and success as a middle-school-aged girl. You’ll meet boys through our service and leadership programs with area schools, at dances and social events and during Engineering days with Boys’ Latin School. But in class, on the field, at lunch and in the hallways, it’s all about you and your friends and who you want to become.

98% of GFS students feel challenged to reach their academic potential vs.

80% of girls at other girls’ schools, **72%** at coed independent schools and **44%** at coed public schools



GFS at a GLANCE

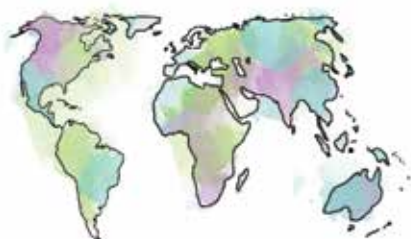
1:1 LAPTOP PROGRAM,

Digital Thinking, programming and film classes, media production studio, e-portfolios and more



110-ACRE wooded campus with 24/7 security

Students from
ACROSS THE US AND AROUND THE WORLD
create a global community



OVERNIGHT
bonding trips



1,000
merits awarded in
2018-19

17

Middle School
teams in
10 sports
in addition to
riding, polo
and dance



7 CONSECUTIVE

1st place wins and 6 consecutive
"top overall choir" awards for Middle School
Chorus at the annual Music in the Parks
competition at Hersheypark.



50+
STUDENTS

participated in the 2018
Middle School musical,
"Camp Rock"



Find your possibilities.

Want to be a filmmaker? Class projects have plenty of ways to incorporate your original video, and our Filmmaking elective will show you how to shoot and edit it like a Hollywood pro.

Dream of being an engineer? Tinker, build, create and program prototypes and projects in science class, in our three on-campus Creative Co-op maker spaces, during Robotics team competitions and even when making props for the Middle School musical.

Do you love to paint, write, act, sing, dance? We offer courses and electives, clubs and plenty of performances for your creative expression.

Interested in leading? Join a group of like-minded peers who hone their leadership skills by attending local conferences and stepping up on campus.



MINIMESTER

Every January, the entire Middle School takes a break between semesters for a fun-filled week of teacher-taught workshops. You get to choose from different classes to dive deep into your passions or try something new. Each workshop has students in 6th-8th Grade, so you make new connections with peers and teachers. Previous workshops have included Top Chef, Animal Caretakers, photography in Garrison Geographic and making very cool things in our maker space (the Creative Co-op) with 3D printers, laser cutters, sand-blasting and more.

A Day in the Life OF A 6TH GRADER



"Get It Together" and Advisory

We get it. Middle School can be challenging. But it can also be a great time to try new things, learn new skills and make great friends. Four times a week, you meet with your Advisory – a handpicked group of 8-10 students with an assigned Middle School teacher – to go over homework, organize and check-in. We plan lots of fun activities to do with your Advisory, too. You're matched with an 8th Grade Big Sister to show you the ropes, and our full-time Counselor and Upper School Peer Mentors are here to support you. Need learning support and to improve your study skills? Our full-time Academic Resource Coordinator and Upper School Academic Mentors have it covered.



LOCKER

is big at GFS, and you'll kick-start your time in the Middle School with the GFS tradition of making your locker your own. It's a great opportunity to express yourself by decorating your space inside and out. Plus, you can give decorative shout-outs to friends for birthdays or special moments.

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