

Mikayla

Class of 2021

From: Englewood, NJ

First Year at Horace Mann: 9th grade

Favorite Classes: I thoroughly enjoyed my discussion based classes such as Political Philosophy, Biology, and Psychology. Throughout my time at HM, it has been interesting to see how my favorite classes intersect, to provide me with a more nuanced and well-rounded understanding of certain topics.



Why HM?: I walked into HM choosing an academic experience that would challenge my critical thinking skills, as well as giving me the opportunity to integrate my personal artistic commitments into my school life. In addition, I found HM to be the perfect environment for me to continue my musical education, by participating in a wonderful orchestra, sinfonietta ensemble and theatre community. When looking at other schools, I could only see myself continuing all my interests at Horace Mann. I believe that HM provides a higher standard of intellectual learning, artistic development, and an inspiring community that supports student's individual and collective achievements.

Activities: The HM Dance Company, The Mantra Wellness Magazine, Student Ambassador Leader, HMTC Productions, PeriodHM, and Harmonia String Ensemble.

Favorite Things About HM: Meeting with my teachers and friends is usually the highlight of my day at HM. Through these meetings, I have learned so much about myself as a learner and citizen of the HM community. Being able to share my outside of school interests and experiences with my teachers and friends has given me time to reflect on what subjects I am truly passionate about, as well as being introduced to new books to read, articles to share, and shows to see.