

**School Profile
2022-2023**

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Total Enrollment: 835

**Upper School Details
Enrollment: 387**

**Students Receiving
Financial Aid: 44%**

Students of Color: 36%

**Teacher-to-Student
Ratio: 1:7**

**Average Class Size:
12-15**

Friends School is accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools, the Association of Independent Maryland Schools (AIMS), and is approved by the Maryland State Board of Education.

Friends School of Baltimore

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MISSION

Founded in 1784 by the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers), Friends School is the oldest school in Baltimore. The coeducational, college preparatory program is guided by Quaker values of truth, equality, simplicity, community, and peaceful resolution to conflict. By setting high standards and encouraging a spirit of inquiry, Friends seeks to develop in each student the intellectual, spiritual, and creative foundation to become learners for life. The community values its freedom to experiment and to enter fields of controversy, and believes that its intellectual environment should also foster the development of fulfilled and morally informed individuals. All members of the community strive to sustain an atmosphere that is inclusive, respectful, and supportive of all people. Friends School maintains its historic ties with Stony Run Friends Meeting, which is adjacent to campus.

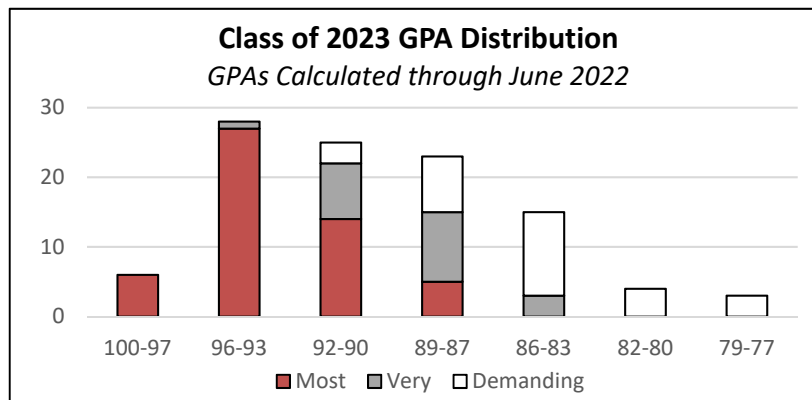
CURRICULUM

- All courses are taught at an advanced (**Honors**) level.
- Friends School of Baltimore does not designate any course Advanced Placement (AP).
- Friends School of Baltimore does not calculate class rank.
- All GPAs are **unweighted** and **include only academic course work** taken at Friends. Physical education, fine/performing arts, and most non-departmental electives are not factored into the GPA.
- Some students, by virtue of their placement as incoming ninth graders, are unable to advance to the highest-level courses in mathematics, science, and foreign language.
- Friends School of Baltimore is on a semester schedule. One-credit courses meet four times in a 6-day cycle for two semesters. Half-credit courses meet four times in a 6-day cycle for one semester.
- **COVID-19 Updates:** Distance learning began mid-March 2020. Friends successfully shifted fully remote and a numerical grade was given in all academic classes. Fall 2020 was all virtual until October 13 with a streamlined schedule of courses meeting 2x/week. Students chose to return to a hybrid schedule or remain virtual in October. **By May 2021, 95% of students were on campus for 4 day/week in-person.** Traditional grading rubrics were applied to all 2020-2021 courses.

Our graduation requirements include the following:

Subject	Credits	Subject	Credits
English	4 credits	Physical Education	2 credits
Social Studies	2 credits	Elective credits	3 credits
Math & Science	6 credits	Students must also successfully complete community service, attend freshman-senior forum, and participate in athletics yearly.	
Foreign Language	2 credits		
Fine Arts	2 credits		

Class of 2023 Size: 104 Students



Class of 2023 GPA

High: 98
Mean: 90
Low: 77

**National Merit
Scholarship Recognition
in 2023:**
Semifinalist: 0
Commended: 8

Grade Conversion Chart

100-97	A+	4.0	89-87	B+	3.6-3.4	79-77	C+	2.6-2.4	69-67	D+	1.6-1.4	59-0	F	0.0
96-93	A	4.0	86-83	B	3.3-3.0	76-73	C	2.3-2.0	66-63	D	1.3-1.0			
92-90	A-	3.9-3.7	82-80	B-	2.9-2.7	72-70	C-	1.9-1.7	62-60	D-	0.9-0.7			

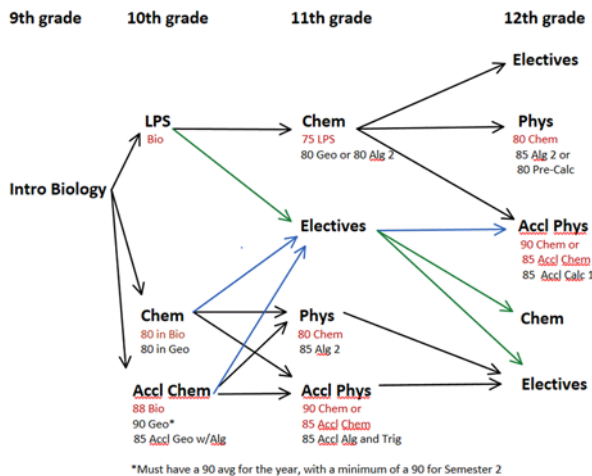
CURRICULUM (22-23 Course Guide): The following courses are available to the students in the Class of 2023.

English – All students take English 9 and 10 as full year courses. Semester courses are combined classes of juniors and seniors. Courses marked with an * are cross-listed as history courses.

Analysis & Crit. in Contemp. Lit.	Frankenstein & Its Monstrous Progeny	Literature of Tragedy	Shakespeare
British Novels	Gender Studies	Modern Environmental Literature	The Short Story
Children’s Lit: Fantasy vs Imagination	Jesus in Literature	The Narrative of Suspense	Social Science Fiction
Community & Solitude*	Journalistic Writing	Peace, Nonviolence, & Social Justice*	Utopias & Dystopias
Creative Nonfiction	Literature and Politics	Philosophy and Literature	Wise Readings
Fiction Writing	Literature of the African Diaspora	Practicing Poetry	Writing for Podcasts & Radio

Math –Below represent the most common Upper School math sequences. Semester Electives may be added to any sequence. Students who completed Algebra I in middle school will start in Geometry or Geometry Plus.

Algebra I (9)	Geometry (9)	Geometry Plus (9)	<u>Semester 1 Electives</u>	<u>Semester 2 Electives</u>
Geometry (10)	Algebra II (10)	Algebra and Trigonometry (10)	Descriptive Statistics	Inferential Statistics
Algebra II (11)	Precalculus (11)	Advanced Calculus I (11)	Discrete Mathematics	Mathematics of Finance
Functs, Trig, & Stats (12)	Calculus (12)	Calculus II (12)	Intro to Programming	Data Structures in Java
or Precalculus (12)			Advanced Computer Science	Tech. Incubation Design Ent’ship



Science – All are laboratory courses. Year-long and semester electives are typically reserved for seniors and occasionally juniors.

<u>Year-Long Science Electives</u>	
Advanced Biology	Advanced Chemistry
Special Topics in Physics	
<u>Semester 1 Electives</u>	<u>Semester 2 Electives</u>
Ecology	Evolution
Geology I	Geology II
Genetics	Anatomy & Physiology

History – The goal of the history curriculum is to examine the links among cultures and civilizations, rather than to study countries in isolation. The following semester electives are offered for seniors in 2023. Courses with an * are cross-listed as English courses.

History of Great Civilizations (9)	Constitutional Issues & the Supreme Court	Intro to Archival Work: Towson/Loyola
History of the Modern World (10)	Global Art History	Intro to American Indian History
US and the World (11)	History of Disease	Music History: Live From Baltimore
American Government	I Am Not Your Negro: Black Counter/Subculture	Topics in Psychology
Big History	International Conflict Resolution	Unbreakable Baltimore
	International Relations	

Foreign Languages – Placement into Level 2 language is made after successful completion of study in Middle School. Students are required to master up to Level 3 of modern languages or Level 2 of Latin.

French, Levels 1-5	Latin, Levels 1-4 (Prose or Poetry)	Russian, Levels 2-5	Spanish, Levels 1-5, Advanced Lang & Culture
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Fine Arts – Two Credits of Fine Arts (Art, Music, Theater, or Dance) are required for graduation. All courses are half-credit and semester long with the exception of **Art Major** and **Music Major**, which are **full-year academic** courses.

Art Major	Painting	Music Major	Broadway Musical Workshop
Art and Politics	Photo 1 - 3	Chamber Choir	Craft of Acting
Art, Technology, Media & Design	Printmaking	Concert Chorale	Playwriting
Design - Photoshop	Sculptural Forms	Jazz Ensemble	Stagecraft
Drawing	Studio Art	Jazz Rhythm Lab	
Drawing - Experimental	Web Design & Development	Music Theory I & II	Studio Dance 1, 2, 3
Creative Coding (Intro to Prog. w/ Interactive Art)		String Orchestra	
Adaptive Design (Ind. Design Meets Soc. Justice)		Wind Ensemble	

UPPER SCHOOL SPECIAL PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Non-Departmental Courses: FSB is proud to offer courses that respond to student interests, engage our alumni, faculty, and Greater Baltimore community, and offer more spaces for becoming lifelong learners. Courses with an * are academic major courses.

*Entrepreneurship & Social Innovation	Conflict Resolution Strategies	Intro. To Engineering and Design Thinking
*Student Assistant Teaching Program	Diversity & Social Justice Practitioner Training	STEM Speaker Series
	Sexuality Peer Educator Practitioner Training	

William Penn Fellows (WPF): WPF is a selected group of students with a special interest in social justice and direct service. Students engage in on-going learning and service projects. Fellows also create an atmosphere for students to become more invested in the practices of service and social justice.

Scholars Certificate Program (SCP): Begun in 2015, SCP invites students to explore an area of academic interest beyond the bounds of any single course of study, bundling course work, club involvement, speaker series, independent study, internships, and/or other capstone project(s) that are related by theme. Participation earns a transcript designation for their sustained participation and effort.

<u>Current Certificate Offerings (Design Your Own also available)</u>			
STEAM	Renaissance Scholar	Sustainability	Diversity, Equity, and Social Justice
Finance	Artistic Expression	Quakerism	Baltimore Urban Immersion and Engagement
Public Health	Global Scholars	Entrepreneurship	Pathway to Leadership
Creative Writing	International Relations	Criminal Justice	Environmental Studies Ecojustice

University Partnership Program (UPP): Partnerships are mission-driven, experiential, and beneficial to both institutions. UPP began in 2011 with a collaboration with the Haiti Lab at Duke University. FSB has created over 85 projects and our intent is to build these offerings until every FSB student graduates having participated in at least one project or course.

<u>Partnering Universities</u>			
Johns Hopkins University	George Mason University	Stevenson University	Towson University
University of Maryland Baltimore County	University of Maryland	University of Virginia	University of Delaware
University of North Carolina Wilmington	Duke University	University of Baltimore	Morgan State University
Notre Dame of Maryland University	Stanford University	University of Michigan	Maryland Institute College of Art
Warren Wilson College	Goucher College	Loyola University Maryland	US Naval Academy

STANDARDIZED TESTING FOR THE CLASS OF 2023

*Data calculated using the highest section results per student
 As of 10/19/22, 79% of the Class of 2023 has a score

Friends School of Baltimore **does not offer** on-campus administration of the ACT or SAT.

The College Counseling staff is very supportive of the increase in test-optional policies and does not promote an over-reliance on high-stakes standardized testing.

<u>SAT Scores (through October 2022)</u>	
<u>Section</u>	<u>Middle 50%</u>
Evidence Based Reading	580-700
Math	550-680
SAT Summary	1130-1400

*70 students' results

<u>ACT Scores (through September 2022)</u>	
<u>Section</u>	<u>Middle 50%</u>
English	21 - 34
Math	24 - 31
Reading	25 - 34
Science	24 - 32
Composite	23 - 32

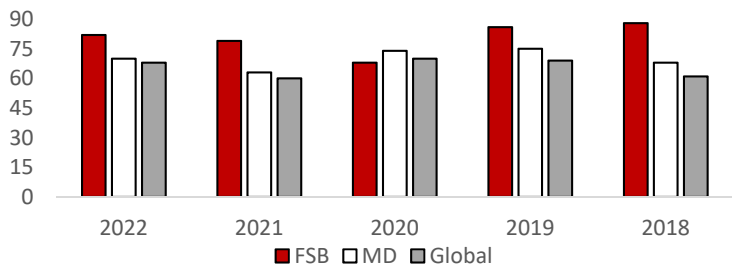
*21 students' results

ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP)

Friends School does not offer an AP curriculum but does administer AP examinations every spring for interested students. From 2018-2022, 58% of scores were a 4 or 5 and 78% of students scored a 3 or higher.

<u>Friends School of Baltimore AP Test Scores</u>					
	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
AP Students	28	40	27	35	32
# of Exams	36	49	31	45	45
Students with Scores of 3+	22	29	19	28	28
AP Scholars (all types)	3	3	1	4	2

State and Global Breakdown of AP Students Receiving Scores of 3+



Considerations: In 2019, College Board moved on-time AP registration for non-AP schools to early November and almost tripled cancellation charges. Previously, non-AP schools had until mid-March to register without late fees. The shift in timeline and increase in charges has significantly impacted participation.

COLLEGE MATRICULATIONS 2018-2021

Agnes Scott College	University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	Rhodes College
The University of Alabama	Indiana University (Bloomington)	Rice University
Amherst College	Ithaca College	University of Richmond
Baldwin Wallace University	James Madison University	Ringling College of Art and Design
Barry University	Johns Hopkins University	University of Rochester
Bates College	The Juilliard School	Rochester Institute of Technology
Boston College	Kenyon College	SUNY at Binghamton
Boston University	La Salle University	Salisbury University
Brandeis University	Lafayette College	University of San Francisco
Bryn Mawr College	Lehigh University	Savannah College of Art and Design
Bucknell University	Lewis & Clark College	Scripps College
University of California (Los Angeles)	Loyola University Maryland	Sewanee: The University of the South
University of California (San Diego)	Loyola University New Orleans	Skidmore College
Carleton College	Lycoming College	Smith College
Case Western Reserve University	University of Lynchburg	University of South Carolina
Chapman University	Lynn University	University of St Andrews
University of Cincinnati (Main Campus)	University of Mary Washington	St Mary's College of Maryland
Clemson University	Maryland Institute College of Art	St. Norbert College
Colby College	University of Maryland (Baltimore County)	Stanford University
College of Charleston	University of Maryland (College Park)	Stevens Institute of Technology
University of Colorado Boulder	University of Maryland Eastern Shore	Stevenson University
Colorado College	McDaniel College	Suffolk University
Colorado State University (Fort Collins)	McGill University	Swarthmore College
Connecticut College	Miami University (Oxford)	Syracuse University
Cooper Union for the Advancement of Science and Art	University of Miami	Temple University
Cornell University	University of Michigan	Towson University
Culinary Institute of America	Middlebury College	Trinity College
Davidson College	University of Mississippi	Tufts University
University of Delaware	Morgan State University	Tulane University of Louisiana
DePaul University	Muhlenberg College	Ursinus College
DePauw University	University of New England	Vanderbilt University
Denison University	University of New Hampshire (Main Campus)	Vassar College
University of Denver	University of New Haven	University of Vermont
Dickinson College	New York University	University of Virginia (Main Campus)
Drexel University	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	Virginia Commonwealth University
Duke University	Northeastern University	Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Eastman School of Music	University of Notre Dame	Wake Forest University
Eckerd College	Oberlin College	Warren Wilson College
Elon University	Occidental College	Washington & Jefferson College
Emory University	Ohio University (Main Campus)	Washington College
University of Florida	Ohio Wesleyan University	Washington University in St. Louis
Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University	Oregon State University	Washington and Lee University
Fordham University	Pace University (Westchester)	Wellesley College
Franklin & Marshall College	Parsons School of Design at The New School	Wesleyan University
George Washington University	Penn State University (University Park)	West Chester University of Pennsylvania
Georgetown University	University of Pennsylvania	West Virginia University
Gettysburg College	Pennsylvania College of Technology	Whitman College
Goucher College	Pepperdine University	Widener University
Guilford College	Pitzer College	The College of William and Mary
Hamilton College	Pomona College	Williams College
Hampton University	Princeton University	University of Wisconsin (Madison)
Haverford College	Purdue University (Main Campus)	The College of Wooster
Hobart and William Smith Colleges	Quinnipiac University	Xavier University
Hofstra University	Randolph-Macon College	Yale University
Howard University	Reed College	
	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	