



OUR LADY
of
GOOD
COUNSEL
HIGH SCHOOL

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SCHOOL PROFILE

ADMINISTRATION

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College Counselor | *Bria Bourgeois, M.Ed.*
College Counselor | *Josh Lubben, M.A.*
Director of Ryken Program | *Loren Bass, M.A.*

MISSION STATEMENT

At Our Lady of Good Counsel High School, a Catholic high school sponsored by the Xaverian Brothers, we inspire our students to excel, serve, and love.

COMMUNITY

Founded in 1958, Our Lady of Good Counsel High School is located in Montgomery County, MD. Admission to the school is selective and based on previous school records, teacher recommendations, and standardized testing. Students of all academic levels find success in Good Counsel's Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, STEM, Honors and College Preparatory programs. For highly motivated students with mild learning differences, the Ryken Studies Program offers a structured, small-group learning environment. Eighty-eight percent of the faculty hold advanced degrees. Enrollment is currently 1250 in grades 9 - 12 with 323 students in the class of 2024.

ACCREDITATIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS

The school is fully accredited by the State of Maryland and dually accredited by the Association of Independent Maryland and DC Schools (AIMS) and the Middle States Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges. Our Lady of Good Counsel High School has twice been named as a "Blue Ribbon School of Excellence" by the U.S. Department of Education. It is a member of the College Entrance Examination Board, the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS), the National Association for College Admission Counseling (NACAC) and complies with the NACAC Statement of Principles of Good Practice.

CURRICULUM AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

The academic year consists of a block schedule of 75 minute periods that meet on alternate days throughout the year. Students earn a minimum of seven credits per year with 28 required for graduation.

The credit requirements are:

- Religious Studies (4)
- English (4)
- Mathematics (4)
- Foreign Languages (3)
- Science (3)
- Social Studies (3)
- Fine Arts (1)
- Technology (1)
- Physical Education and Health (1.5)*
- General Electives (3.5-7)

*.5 PE credit can be earned by participating in a GC athletic team.

Our Lady of Good Counsel High School offers a comprehensive, college-preparatory curriculum to all students. Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, and STEM courses are offered.

Advanced Placement | Our Lady of Good Counsel High School offers 21 AP courses. In 2023, 665 AP exams were given with 78.74% of the scores in the 3-5 range. For a full list of AP class offerings please visit www.olgchs.org/ap

International Baccalaureate | Our Lady of Good Counsel High School offers 22 IB courses. In 2023, 36 IB subjects were examined with 37 of the 45 candidates in the class of 2023 receiving the IB Diploma. Students apply for entry into the International Baccalaureate program their sophomore year and begin taking the IB curriculum their junior year. For a full list of IB course offerings please visit www.olgchs.org/ib

Our Lady of Good Counsel High School reserves the right to limit the number of AP classes a student can enroll in during any year. With the exception of a few courses, the majority of AP and IB classes are completed during junior and senior year.

Project Lead The Way (STEM program - Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) | This nationwide curriculum introduces high school students to the basic principles of engineering. This is a four-year honors elective program exploring: Introduction to Engineering Design, Principles of Engineering, Aeronautical Engineering of Civil Engineering and Architecture, and Engineering Design and Development. Space is limited, and students must be invited to participate. For more information about the STEM program please visit www.olgchs.org/stem

GRADING SYSTEM AND GRADE POINT AVERAGE

- A = 90 - 100
- B = 80 - 89
- C = 70 - 79
- D = 60 - 69
- F = Below 60

The grade point average, which is computed cumulatively, ranges from 4.0 for an A and 1.0 for a D. Additional quality points are assigned for some courses. Students in IB and AP courses earn 1 extra quality point. Honors and STEM courses receive an additional .5 quality point.

Full year course calculation:
1st quarter: 20%
2nd quarter: 20%
Mid terms: 10%
3rd quarter: 20%
4th quarter: 20%
Final exams: 10%

ALL GPAS PROVIDED ON THE TRANSCRIPT ARE WEIGHTED.

Consistent with the policies of area high schools, Our Lady of Good Counsel High School does not rank students.

COLLEGE ADMISSION TEST SCORES/ACHIEVEMENT

Mean ACT score (Class of 2023) n = 62 students

English = 26 | Math = 24 | Reading = 26 | Science = 25 | Composite = 25

Mean SAT score (Class of 2023) n = 244 students

EBRW = 600 | Math = 580

National Merit Scholarship Program (Class of 2023)

3 - Finalists | 13 - Commended Students

National Hispanic Recognition Program (Class of 2023)

1 - Scholar

National African American Recognition Program (Class of 2023)

7 - Scholars

ATHLETICS AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Our Lady of Good Counsel High School offers more than 50 clubs and activities to serve the diverse interests of the student body. We participate in 40+ varsity, junior varsity, and freshmen level athletic teams in the Washington Catholic Athletic Conference.



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The Class of 2023 received offers of over **\$40 million dollars** in scholarships to colleges and universities. Below is a partial list of colleges and universities offering admission to our past graduates.

American University	Haverford University	Swarthmore College
Amherst College	High Point University	Syracuse University
Auburn University	Howard University	Towson University
Barnard College	James Madison University	Tufts University
Baylor University	John Carroll University	Tulane University
Bates College	Johns Hopkins University	U of California - Berkeley
Berklee College of Music	Kenyon College	U of California - Los Angeles
Boston College	Lafayette College	U of Chicago
Boston University	LaSalle University	U of Connecticut
Brown University	Lehigh University	U of Dayton
Bryn Mawr College	Loyola Marymount University	U of Delaware
Bucknell University	Loyola University Maryland	U of Florida
California Institute of Technology	Loyola University Chicago	U of Georgia
Carnegie Mellon University	Marquette University	U of Maryland - College Park
Case Western Reserve University	Maryland Institute College Of Art	UMBC
Catholic University of America	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	U of Mary Washington
The Citadel	McDaniel College	U of Miami
Clemson University	Miami University - Ohio	U of Michigan
Coastal Carolina University	Michigan State University	U of Minnesota
Colgate University	Morehouse College	U of North Carolina - Chapel Hill
College of Charleston	Mount St. Mary's University	U of North Carolina - Wilmington
College of the Holy Cross	New York University	U of Notre Dame
College of William and Mary	Northeastern University	U of Pennsylvania
Colorado College	Northwestern University	U of Pittsburgh
Columbia University	Notre Dame of Maryland University	U of Richmond
Corcoran Art and Design	Oberlin College	U of Rochester
Cornell University	Ohio University	U of Scranton
Dartmouth College	Quinnipiac University	U of South Carolina
Dickinson College	Penn State University	U of Southern California
Drexel University	Pratt Institute	U of Wisconsin
Duke University	Princeton University	U of Vermont
Duquesne University	Providence College	U of Virginia
Elon University	Purdue University	U.S. Air Force Academy
Emory University	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	U.S. Military Academy
Fordham University	Rice University	U.S. Merchant Marine Academy
Florida Institute of Technology	Rochester Institute of Technology	U.S. Naval Academy
Franklin and Marshall University	Rutgers University	Vanderbilt University
George Mason University	Saint Joseph's University	Vassar College
George Washington University	Saint Louis University	Villanova University
Georgetown University	Salisbury University	Virginia Polytechnic Institute
Georgia Institute of Technology	Savannah College of Art and Design	Wake Forest University
Gettysburg College	Southern Methodist University	Washington and Lee University
Goucher College	Spelman College	Washington University in St. Louis
Hampton University	St. Mary's College of Maryland	Williams College
Harvard University	Stanford University	Xavier University
		Yale University