



Roland Park Country School

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Founded in 1894, RPCS is an independent day school for girls in kindergarten through grade twelve. The school is located in Roland Park, a residential neighborhood in northern Baltimore City, on a 21-acre campus. The college preparatory curriculum emphasizes the intellectual, aesthetic, physical and moral development of the students. RPCS welcomes applicants of all races, religions and ethnic origins and does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, sexual orientation or ethnic origins in the administration of its policies and programs. RPCS is accredited by the Association of Independent Maryland Schools and is a member of the National Association of Independent Schools. The School is the first girls' school in Maryland to be awarded a chapter in the Cum Laude Society.

ENROLLMENT and FACULTY

Total: 596
 Upper School: 270
 Senior Class: 72

Upper School Faculty: 55 (85% hold post-bachelor's degrees)
 Upper School Student/Faculty Ratio: 5:1

PHILOSOPHY

Roland Park Country School, a college preparatory school for girls, is dedicated to the intellectual and moral development of its students. We cultivate creativity, independence of thought, tenacity of purpose, self-discipline, and emotional, physical, and spiritual well-being. We maintain high academic standards, uphold tradition, and promote innovation. We nurture a cooperative, resilient spirit within an atmosphere of mutual trust and respect. In a diverse, inclusive, and joyful community, Roland Park Country School strives to instill in its students a lifelong love of learning, as well as the responsibility to look within and beyond themselves to contribute to and serve as stewards and leaders of their communities.

SCHOOL PROFILE 2023 - 2024

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS and CURRICULUM

RPCS offers a rigorous college preparatory curriculum. The standard and expected academic load of every student is five "major" courses each year. To satisfy graduation requirements, a student must complete:

English - 4 years
 Math - 4 years (minimum of Precalculus)
 Laboratory Science - 3 years (to include Physics, Chemistry and Biology)
 History - 3 years (to include Non-Western World, European and United States
 World Language - 3 years of the same language

Courses in art, music, theater and physical education are also required.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Leadership positions are limited to as follows: In any one year, a student may be the sole President of one or more organizations and Co-President of two. In addition, a student may repeat as class President only from junior year into senior year.

SCHEDULE

1 Credit: 80 minutes, every other day, full year
 0.5 Credit: 80 minutes, every other day, one semester
 0.25 Credit: 100 minutes, one semester

COMMUNITY SERVICE

RPCS places emphasis on the developmental ideals associated with helping others. Every student is required to devote a minimum of 60 hours to community service, 40 of which must be at one location.

MORE INFORMATION

Please visit rpcs.org/upper-school-curriculum for more information on the Upper School curriculum.

GRADING:

A	100-90
B	89-80
C	79-70
D	69-65
F	Below 65

Honor roll recognizes students who have attained an average of 87% or higher.

CLASS OF 2023 CUMULATIVE GPA:

Course grades are not weighted, but AP courses receive 5 points weighting and Honors courses receive 4 points weighting in the reported grade point average.

Full Range of Class: 100 - 78.04
 Mean: 92.42

CLASS RANK

Roland Park Country School policy does not rank its students.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT: In 2023, 134 students sat for 242 AP examinations. Advanced Placement courses are offered in the following:

Art History	Computer Science Principles	Spanish Language
Art & Design (2D & 3D)	Economics (Micro and Macro)	Spanish Literature
Biology	English Literature	Statistics
AB and BC Calculus	Environmental Science	Studio Art
Chemistry	French Language and Culture	Physics C: Mechanics
Chinese	Human Geography	US History
Comparative Government & Politics	Latin	US Government & Politics
Computer Science A	Psychology	World History

In addition to standard College Preparatory (CP) sections, our curriculum offers Accelerated (A), Honors (H) and Advanced Placement (AP) sections. Biomedical Engineering Innovation is an asynchronous class offered by Johns Hopkins University that is facilitated at RPCS.

Students are limited to taking no more than three AP classes a year without permission from the Upper School Head.

AP Scholars

29

AP Scholars with Honors

13

AP Scholars with Distinction

11

SAT Scores	
Subject	Mean
EBRW	620
Math	606
Mean total	1227

ACT Scores	
Subject	Mean
English	27
Math	25
Reading	30
Science	27
Composite	27

THE INTEGRATED MATH PROGRAM:

The Integrated Math Program at Roland Park Country School is a three year sequence intended to prepare students to study college-level mathematics as seniors. The sequence provides learning experiences equivalent to traditional courses in Geometry, Algebra II, Trigonometry, and Precalculus. In addition, it provides students with significant experience in Probability, Statistics and Data Analysis and includes technology and writing components. At the end of the sequence, students choose from AP Calculus (AB or BC), AP Statistics, or a wide variety of rigorous non-AP options.

THE HOLLIDAY HEINE STEM INSTITUTE:

The Holliday Heine STEM Institute strives to foster the confidence, passion, persistence and curiosity to explore the empirical world and to develop innovative habits of mind. Participants will develop the necessary ethical, analytical and creative reasoning skills to pursue interests and prepare for careers in STEM disciplines. To earn Certification, students must complete a set, rigorous curriculum in math and science and a series of semester-long research apprenticeships, as well as a research project during a summer internship.

THE WORLD LANGUAGE CERTIFICATE PROGRAM:

The World Language Certificate recognizes students who demonstrate a commitment to global citizenship by concentrating their academic program in foreign language. To earn Certification, students must formally study two languages beyond the beginning level and must complete an experience that extends language study to other areas of the student's life in order to demonstrate the relevance of language acquisition in today's global society. Two of the following languages may be chosen: Ancient Greek, Arabic, Chinese, French, Latin, Russian or Spanish.

FINE ARTS CERTIFICATE OF DISTINCTION

The Fine Arts Certificate of Distinction recognizes the dedication and unique artistic journeys of our students. To earn certification, students must complete eight semester-long arts courses and one year of a full-time advanced level arts course or six semester-long arts courses and two years of a full-time advanced level arts course, earning a minimum cumulative arts average of 90%. Additionally, students must complete a department-approved apprenticeship, internship, or service-learning project, as well as a digital arts portfolio, an Artistic Reflection, and Capstone Project presentation. Participation in numerous performances/exhibits throughout high school is required to showcase their talent mastery.

THE GORE LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE:

The Gore Leadership Institute equips our students with the tools to innovate and create positive change in the world of today and tomorrow. Through academic engagement, community outreach and personal reflection, the program cultivates one's ability to lead change for the good of the community. With an emphasis on ethical leadership, experiences foster creative problem solving, wellness and diversity, equity, and inclusion—all of which are integrated into our Upper School leadership curriculum.

THE SUMMER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM:

The RPCS Summer Internship Program connects rising seniors with professional internship experiences in a wide range of career fields including medicine, law, computer science, social work, finance and many more. This program speaks to our vision for an RPCS education that connects classrooms to communities and equips our students with the future directed skills that enable their success at RPCS and beyond into their professional journeys.

ROLAND PARK COUNTRY SCHOOL CURRICULUM GUIDE:

www.rpcs.org/academics/upper-school/upper-school-curriculum

FOUR-YEAR SURVEY OF COLLEGE MATRICULATIONS

Colleges in red are the selections of the Class of 2023. Typically, 100% of RPCS graduates matriculate to four-year colleges and universities. The Class of 2023 applied to an average of 7 colleges each.

American University	Rochester Institute of Technology
Amherst College	Rollins College
Arizona State University	Saint Louis University
Auburn University	St. Mary's College of Maryland
Barnard College	Salisbury University
Bates College	San Diego State University
Baylor University	Skidmore College
Boston College	Smith College
Boston University	Southern Methodist University
Bowdoin College	Spelman College
Bowie State University	Stevenson University
Bryant University	Syracuse University
Bucknell University	Temple University
Catholic University of America	Texas Christian University
Clemson University	University of Tennessee
Colgate University	Towson University
College of Charleston	Trinity College
College of William and Mary	Tufts University
College of Wooster	Tulane University
Connecticut College	UCLA
Cornell University	UMBC
Davidson College	Union College
Delaware State University	United States Naval Academy
Denison University	Univ. of North Carolina Chapel Hill
Duke University	University of Alabama
Elon University	University of Arizona
Emerson College	University of California (Berkeley)
Fordham University	University of California (San Diego)
Franklin & Marshall College	University of Chicago
Furman University	University of Colorado Boulder
George Mason University	University of Connecticut
Goucher College	University of Delaware
Grinnell College	University of Maryland
Hampton University	University of Massachusetts
Hobart and William Smith Colleges	University of Miami
Howard University	University of Michigan
Indiana University	University of Mississippi
Ithaca College	University of Pennsylvania
James Madison University	University of Pittsburgh
Johns Hopkins University	University of Richmond
Kent State University	University of San Diego
Lafayette College	University of San Francisco
Lehigh University	University of South Carolina
Louisiana State University	University of Southern California
Loyola Marymount University	University of Tampa
Loyola University Maryland	University of Vermont
Loyola University New Orleans	University of Virginia
Macalester College	University of Wisconsin
Manhattan College	Vanderbilt University
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	Vassar College
McDaniel College	Villanova University
Miami University (OH)	Virginia Commonwealth University
Middlebury College	Virginia Tech
Morgan State University	Wake Forest University
Mount Holyoke College	Washington and Lee University
Mount St Mary's University	Washington University in St. Louis
Muhlenberg College	Wellesley College
New School	West Virginia University
New York University	Western Connecticut State University
Northeastern University	Wheaton College
Ohio State University	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Pace University	Xavier University of Louisiana
Penn State University	Yale University
Pitzer College	
Providence College	
Rhodes College	