



OUR LADY  
of  
GOOD  
COUNSEL  
HIGH SCHOOL

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# SCHOOL PROFILE

## ADMINISTRATION

President | *John Ciccone, Ed.M.*  
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## COUNSELORS

Counseling Department Chair | *Mary Clare Roeder, M.Ed.*  
Director of Personal Counseling | *Brennan Prodey, M.Ed.*  
Counselor | *Justin Junghans, M.S.*  
Counselor | *Lana Williamson, M.Ed. LGPC*  
Director of College Counseling | *Jill Kasprzak, M.A.*  
College Counselor | *Bria Bourgeois, M.Ed.*  
College Counselor | *Josh Lubben, M.A.*  
Director of Ryken Program | *Loren Bass, M.A.*  
School Psychologist | *Christine Cariello, Psy.D.*

## 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-five percent of the faculty hold advanced degrees. Enrollment is currently 1289 in grades 9 - 12 with 268 students in the class of 2025.

## 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 22 AP courses. In 2024, 689 AP exams were given with 79.41% of the scores in the 3-5 range. For a full list of AP class offerings please visit [www.olgchs.org/ap](http://www.olgchs.org/ap)

**International Baccalaureate** | Our Lady of Good Counsel High School offers 22 IB courses. In 2024, 22 IB subjects were examined with 30 of the 38 candidates in the class of 2024 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](http://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 apply to participate. For more information about the STEM program please visit [www.olgchs.org/stem](http://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:  
1<sup>st</sup> quarter: 20%  
2<sup>nd</sup> quarter: 20%  
Mid terms: 10%  
3<sup>rd</sup> quarter: 20%  
4<sup>th</sup> 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 2024) n = 60 students**  
English = 26 | Math = 24 | Reading = 27 | Science = 25 | Composite = 26

**Mean SAT score (Class of 2024) n = 248 students**  
EBRW = 600 | Math = 580

**National Merit Scholarship Program (Class of 2024)**  
3 - Finalists | 10 - Commended Students

**National Hispanic Recognition Program (Class of 2024)**  
3 - Scholars

**National African American Recognition Program (Class of 2024)**  
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 field 40+ varsity, junior varsity, and freshmen level athletic teams in the Washington Catholic Athletic Conference.



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The Class of 2024 received offers of over **\$45 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	Loyola University Maryland	Tulane University
Auburn University	Loyola University Chicago	Union College
Baylor University	Lynn University	U of California - Berkeley
Boston College	Manhattan College	U of California - Los Angeles
Boston University	Marquette University	U of Chicago
Brown University	Maryland Institute College Of Art	U of Connecticut
Bucknell University	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	U of Dayton
California Institute of Technology	McDaniel College	U of Delaware
Carnegie Mellon University	Mercer University	U of Florida
Case Western Reserve University	Miami University - Oxford	U of Georgia
Catholic University of America	Michigan State University	U of Kentucky
Clemson University	Monmouth University	U of Maryland - College Park
Coastal Carolina University	Morehouse College	UMBC
Colgate University	Morgan State University	U of Mary Washington
College of Charleston	Mount St. Mary's University	U of Miami
College of the Holy Cross	North Carolina A&T State University	U of Michigan
College of William and Mary	Northeastern University	U of Minnesota
Cornell University	Northwestern University	U of Mississippi
DePaul University	Oberlin College	U of North Carolina - Chapel Hill
Dickinson College	Ohio State University	U of North Carolina - Charlotte
Drexel University	Old Dominion University	U of Notre Dame
Duke University	Pace University	U of Pennsylvania
Duquesne University	Penn State University	U of Pittsburgh
East Carolina University	Pratt Institute	U of Richmond
Elon University	Providence College	U of Rochester
Emory University	Purdue University	U of Scranton
Florida Institute of Technology	Radford University	U of South Carolina
Florida State University	Randolph-Macon College	U of Southern California
Fordham University	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	U of Tennessee
Franklin and Marshall University	Roanoke College	U of Wisconsin
George Mason University	Rochester Institute of Technology	U of Vermont
George Washington University	Rutgers University	U of Virginia
Georgetown University	Saint Joseph's University	U.S. Air Force Academy
Georgia Institute of Technology	Saint Louis University	U.S. Military Academy
Gettysburg College	Salisbury University	U.S. Merchant Marine Academy
Goucher College	Savannah College of Art and Design	U.S. Naval Academy
Hampton University	Seton Hall University	Villanova University
High Point University	Southern Methodist University	Virginia Commonwealth University
Hofstra University	Spelman College	Virginia Polytechnic Institute
Howard University	St. John's University - New York	Wake Forest University
Indiana University-Bloomington	St. Mary's College of Maryland	Washington & Jefferson College
Ithaca College	Stony Brook University	West Virginia University
James Madison University	Syracuse University	Williams College
Lafayette College	Temple University	Xavier University
LaSalle University	Texas Christian University	York College of Pennsylvania
Loyola Marymount University	Towson University	