

SCHOOL PROFILE

2024-2025

MARYVALE

LEARN. LEAD. SUCCEED. Educating Young Women for Life

MISSION

Maryvale, a Catholic independent girls' school serving grades six through 12, affiliated with the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur, provides an environment in which each student can reach her academic, spiritual, physical and civic potential in a loving, supportive and diverse community. Building upon its unique and special heritage, Maryvale's mission is to provide an exceptional education that responds to change and prepares young women for life.

JUSTICE, EQUITY & INCLUSION

Inspired by the Hallmarks of the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur, the Maryvale community of students, families, teachers, administrators, alumnae, and trustees is dedicated to building and advancing a school culture that honors the dignity of each person. In this spirit, we embrace justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion. We are committed to educating young women who proclaim by their lives, even more than by their words, their belief in socially responsible action, as stewards of God's peace and love.

Maryvale Preparatory School rejects all forms of racism and discrimination as destructive to our community and as inconsistent with our Catholic values. We honor the sacredness of each person regardless of race, ethnicity, national origin, religious belief, gender, age, sexual orientation, socio-economic background, learning style, or ability. The diversity of humanity and the gifts God bestows on each of us enriches our learning community for all.

In keeping with our mission to educate young women for life, we are committed to critical thinking, lifelong learning, restorative practices, responsiveness to injustice, and to the provision of essential resources that prepare our students to thrive in an ever-evolving, global society. We seek to create a community where each individual is valued and feels a sense of belonging. We work to foster the holistic development (academic, spiritual, physical, and civic) of students. We trust that the comprehensive experience of a Maryvale education will enable all students not only to value self but to respect the humanity of all people.

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ENROLLMENT

All Grades	482
Grades 9-12	371
Class of 2025	75

FACULTY

Teaching Faculty	72
Student/Faculty Ratio	8:1

ACCREDITATION

Accredited by Association of Independent MD/DC Schools, MD State Department of Education, and Middle States Association of Colleges & Schools. Member of Association of Independent MD/DC Schools, Archdiocesan Association of Secondary and Elementary Schools, National Catholic Education Association, & National Association of Independent Schools.

Patricia J. Mitchell '65 Leadership Institute

The institute provides a focused approach to support co-curricular leadership offerings. Students choose from a range of courses in leadership styles, communication tools, strategic planning, resume preparation, interviewing techniques, project development and business fundamentals and innovation in entrepreneurship.

CURRICULUM

While 100% of students participate in a college-preparatory curriculum with an expected level of rigor, flexibility and student choice are emphasized by offering multiple levels for each class: College Preparatory, Accelerated, Honors and Advanced Placement.

Maryvale offers many one-semester half-credit courses, permitting students to experience a traditional college class schedule as well as offer a broader array of courses across subject areas.

Students take seven courses per semester. Exceptions are allowed for students enrolled in three or more AP courses. In that case, students are permitted to take six courses per semester.

Beginning sophomore year, one section of AP Modern World History is offered (enrollment by teacher recommendation). Most often only one section of an AP course is offered; scheduling conflicts do sometimes restrict a student's ability to advance to the AP level in a subject.

Online courses are available to select students through Anne Arundel Community College and Virtual High School. The final grade and transcript for these online courses are provided by the institution. Maryvale does not award grades for these classes, but the final grade is included on the Maryvale transcript and computed in a student's GPA calculation.

MARYVALE'S SIGNATURE PROGRAMS

Leadership Scholars are selected to participate in a structured program which requires successful completion of four core courses, additional service hours above the graduation requirement as well as a final Capstone Project. A Leadership Certificate of completion is awarded at graduation.

STEAM (STEM + Art) Scholars have the opportunity to develop a highly personalized exploration of diverse STEAM topics. Hands-on experiences are infused through the curriculum at every grade level. Students are not limited to a specific STEAM track, but instead pursue a path based on their interests to set them up for success in college and their future careers. Participants are required to complete a final Capstone Project.

Visual Arts Scholars are those students who have a dedication to visual arts. Scholars enroll in additional art electives in both freshman and sophomore years. Successful completion of four credits of Visual Arts coursework and development of a final portfolio are program requirements. Certificate of completion awarded at graduation.

Performing Arts Mastery Program is designed for students who excel in performing arts. The program includes two completed course credits in performing arts, design and implementation of a Capstone Project to benefit the Maryvale performing arts community and a portfolio that encapsulates the student's Performing Arts experience at Maryvale. Certificate of completion awarded at graduation.

The Ford Program is designed to help students navigate their coursework while strengthening their organization, time management and study skills. Through direct instruction, students gain critical tools to support academic success in high school as well as college. Enrolled students are provided individualized assistance. To receive program services, students must supply a full-scale psycho-educational evaluation documenting ADHD, math and/or Executive Function challenges in order to be considered for this fee-based course.

The St. Julie Billiart Program serves college-bound students with diagnosed language-based learning differences. SJB students receive instruction from experienced learning specialists using proven instructional methods, allowing them to successfully navigate our college-preparatory curriculum.

Honor Roll and Class Rank

Honor Roll achievement is calculated by quarter and semester.

First Honors	4.00 or higher in all courses
Second Honors	3.55 or higher in all courses

Maryvale Preparatory School does not rank.

Advanced Placement

In May 2024, 117 students completed 256 AP exams; 81% scored a 3 or above on one or more of the tests.

Students in AP Classes	AP Scholars	AP Scholars w/ Honors	AP Scholars w/ Distinction
	3 or higher on 3+ exams	3 or higher on 4+ exams	3 or higher on 5+ exams
117	16	11	20

All students who are enrolled in AP courses are required to take the AP exam.

CORE SUBJECT COURSES AVAILABLE TO STUDENTS IN UPPER SCHOOL

All courses are full-year, one-credit courses unless specified.

ENGLISH

English 9 (CP, Accel, H)
 English 10 (CP, Accel, H)
 English 11 (CP, Accel, H)
 English Language & Composition AP (Grade 11)
 English 12 (CP, Accel, H)
 English Literature & Composition AP (Grade 12)
 Creative Writing (.5)
 Art of Storytelling (.5)
 Hip-Hop Culture, Poetry and Circumstance (.5)
 Introduction to Journalism (.5)
 Playwriting (.5)
 Publication Design (Yearbook)
 Public Speaking, Presentation & Performance (.5)

MATHEMATICS

Advanced Algebra with Financial Applications
 Algebra Companion to Geometry (.5)
 Algebra I (CP, Accel)
 Algebra II (CP, Accel, H)
 Applied Calculus (CP, Accel)
 Financial Applications of Pre-Calculus
 Geometry (CP, Accel, H)
 Pre-Calculus (CP, Accel, H)
 Statistics (CP, AP)
 Calculus AB AP
 Calculus BC AP

SCIENCES (all with lab component)

Anatomy & Physiology Honors
 Biology (CP, Accel, H, AP)
 Chemistry (CP, Accel, H, AP)
 Conceptual Physics (CP, Accel)

Ecology (.5)
 Environmental Science (AP)
 Environmental Systems (Accel)
 Forensic Science I Accel (.5)
 Forensic Science II Accel (.5)
 Introduction to Engineering (H) (.5)
 Marine Biology (.5)
 Physics Honors
 Physics C: E&M/Mechanics AP
 Public Health Honors (.5)
 Sports Medicine (.5)

SOCIAL SCIENCES/HISTORY

African American Studies (.5)
 American Government (.5)
 American Women's History (.5)
 Human Rights, Holocaust & Genocide (.5)
 Introduction to Economics (.5)
 Introduction to Law (.5)
 Introduction to Psychology (.5)
 Introduction to Sociology (.5)
 Macroeconomics AP (.5) Microeconomics AP (.5)
 Modern World History (CP, Accel, H, AP)
 Public Health Honors (.5)
 Research in Global Studies (CP, Accel, H)
 United States Government & Politics AP
 United States History (CP, Accel, H, AP)

WORLD LANGUAGES

French I
 French II (CP, H)
 French Cultural Connections
 French Literature & Conversations
 French III Honors
 French IV Honors

French V Honors
 Spanish I
 Spanish Cultures & Conversations I
 Spanish Cultures & Conversations II
 Spanish II (CP, H)
 Spanish III (CP, H)
 Spanish IV (CP, H)
 Spanish V (CP, H)
 Spanish V – Language & Culture AP

Dual Enrollment Courses through AACC (All .5 and Honors)

CJS 111 - Introduction to Criminal Justice
 PSY 111 – Introduction to Psychology PSY 214 – Abnormal Psychology
 SOC 111 – Introduction to Sociology

On-line Language and Culture Courses (All Honors Level)

American Sign Language I & II
 German (.5)
 Italian (.5)
 Latin I,II,III,IV
 Mandarin Chinese (.5)
 Portuguese I
 Russian (.5)

CP	College-Preparatory
Accel	Accelerated Level
H	Honors Level
AP	Advanced Placement

AP COURSE OFFERINGS
BIOLOGY
CALCULUS AB & BC
CHEMISTRY
COMPUTER SCIENCE A
COMPUTER SCIENCE PRINCIPLES
ENGLISH LANGUAGE & COMPOSITION
ENGLISH LITERATURE & COMPOSITION
ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE
MACROECONOMICS
MICROECONOMICS
MODERN WORLD HISTORY
PHYSICS C – MECHANICS
PHYSICS C – ELECTRICITY & MAGNETISM
SPANISH LANGUAGE & CULTURE
STATISTICS
STUDIO ART: 2D DESIGN
STUDIO ART: DRAWING
US GOVERNMENT & POLITICS
UNITED STATES HISTORY

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS	
SUBJECT	CREDITS
English	4
Mathematics	4
Science	3
Social Studies	3.5
World Languages	3
Theology	3.5
Visual & Performing Arts	1
Physical Education	.5
Wellness Issues	.5
Electives	2.5-4.5
Community Service	80 hrs.

WEIGHTED GRADING SCALE (AS OF FALL 2018)					
LETTER GRADE	NUMERICAL EQUIVALENT	COLLEGE PREP	ACCELERATED	HONORS	AP
A	93-100	4.00	4.125	4.25	4.50
A-	90-92	3.70	3.825	3.95	4.20
B+	87-89	3.30	3.425	3.55	3.80
B	83-86	3.00	3.125	3.25	3.50
B-	80-82	2.70	2.825	2.95	3.20
C+	77-79	2.30	2.425	2.55	2.80
C	73-76	2.00	2.125	2.25	2.50
C-	70-72	1.70	1.825	1.95	2.20
D	65-69	1.00	1.125	1.25	1.50
F	<65	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES THAT WELCOMED MARYVALE'S CLASS OF 2024

94 GRADUATES WERE OFFERED ALMOST \$15,000,000 IN ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

American University
Appalachian State University
Arcadia University
Arizona State University
Auburn University
Ava Maria University
Belmont University
Boston College
Bucknell University
Catholic University of America
Christopher Newport University
Clemson University*
Coastal Carolina University
College of Charleston
College of the Holy Cross
College of New Jersey
Columbia College, Chicago
Community College of Balt. County
Connecticut College
Delaware Valley University
Denison University*
DePaul University
DePauw University
Dickinson College
Drew University
Drexel University*
Duquesne University
East Carolina University
Elizabethtown College*
Elon University
Emerson College
Emory and Henry College
Fairfield University
Florida A&M University
Florida Southern College
Florida State University
Fordham University
Franklin and Marshall College
Frostburg State University
Furman University
George Mason University
George Washington University
Georgetown University
Gettysburg College
Goucher College
Hampton University
High Point University
Hobart and William Smith Colleges
Hollins University
Hood College
Howard University
Indiana University
Ithaca College
James Madison University
Juniata College
Lafayette College*
Lancaster Bible College
Lehigh University
Liberty University
Lincoln University
Longwood University
Louisiana State University
Loyola University Chicago
Loyola University Maryland

Manhattan College
Marist College
Marymount Manhattan College
McDaniel College
Messiah University
Miami University, Oxford
Michigan State University
Millersville University
Mississippi State University
Monmouth University
Moravian University
Morgan State University
Mount St. Mary's University
Norfolk State University
North Carolina Central University
North Carolina A&T State University
North Carolina State University
Notre Dame of Maryland University
Nova Southeastern University
The Ohio State University
Old Dominion University
Pace University
Palm Beach Atlantic University
Pennsylvania State University
Pratt Institute
Providence College
Purdue Global University
Radford University
Randolph Macon College
Regent University
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Roanoke College*
Rochester Institute of Technology
Rollins College
Rutgers University
Sacred Heart University
Saint Joseph's University
Saint Peter's University
Salisbury University*
Salve Regina University
Savannah College of Art & Design
School of the Art Institute Chicago
Seton Hill University
Shenandoah University
Shepherd University
Shippensburg University
Simmons University
Smith College
Spelman College*
St. John's University-New York
St. Mary's College of Maryland
Stevenson University
Stonehill College
Stony Brook University
Suffolk University
SUNY College of Enviro. Science
Susquehanna University
Sweet Briar College
Syracuse University
Temple University
Texas State University
Texas Tech University
Thomas Jefferson University
Towson University
Tulane University of Louisiana

United State Naval Academy
University of Alabama*
University of Arizona
University of California, Santa Cruz
University of Cincinnati
University of Colorado Boulder
University of Connecticut
University of Dayton
University of Delaware*
University of Denver
University of Florida
University of Georgia*
University of Hartford
University of Iowa
University of Kentucky
University of Louisville
University of Mary Washington
University of Maryland, Baltimore County*
University of Maryland, College Park*
University of Maryland Eastern Shore
University of Massachusetts Amherst
University of Miami
University of Michigan
University of Mississippi
University of North Carolina, Charlotte
University of North Carolina, Wilmington
University of Notre Dame
University of Pittsburgh*
University of Rhode Island
University of Richmond
University of San Francisco
University of Scranton
University of South Carolina*
University of South Florida
University of Southern California
University of Tampa
University of Tennessee
University of Texas at Tyler
University of Vermont
Ursinus College
Villanova University*
Virginia Commonwealth University
Virginia Polytechnic Institute*
Wagner College
Washington College
West Virginia University
Wilkes University
Xavier University
York College of Pennsylvania

BOLD – students will attend this school

* - more than one student will attend

100% of Maryvale Preparatory School graduates continue their education at a college or university.