

## School Profile 2024-2025

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Total Enrollment: 760

**Upper School Details**  
Enrollment: 325

Students Receiving  
Financial Aid: 46%

Students of Color: 45%

Teacher-to-Student  
Ratio: 1:7

Average Class Size:  
13-15

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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CEEB CODE: 210-090



## MISSION

Friends School of Baltimore is a Quaker school fosters the skills, knowledge, and habits of mind needed for young people to partner with their communities and to be courageous change-makers in the world. We believe education is a journey, a continual seeking after truth that relies on both inward reflection and outward connection with others, especially across lines of difference. At Friends, learning is grounded in relationships and deepened by application to the world beyond our campus. Our School is guided by the testimonies of simplicity, peace, integrity, community, equality, and stewardship, and our core belief that there is that of God in each person. We understand these testimonies and this belief to be a call to justice. We value diversity, pursue equity, and strive to be an actively inclusive institution that works against systemic oppression, within a campus community where each individual can live out their full identities. We seek in all ways to exemplify the ideals of the Religious Society of Friends.

## CURRICULUM

- All courses are taught at an **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.
- 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.

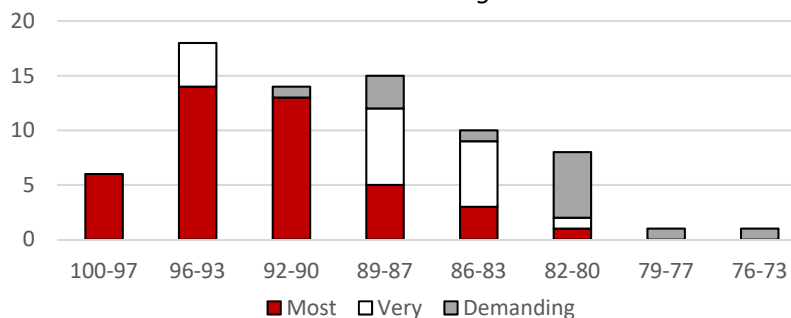
## Graduation Requirements

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 2025 Size: 73 Students

### Class of 2025 GPA Distribution

GPA's Calculated through June 2024



### Class of 2025 GPA

High: 98  
Mean: 89  
Low: 76

**National Merit  
Scholarship Recognition  
in 2024:**  
Semifinalist: 0  
Commended: 9

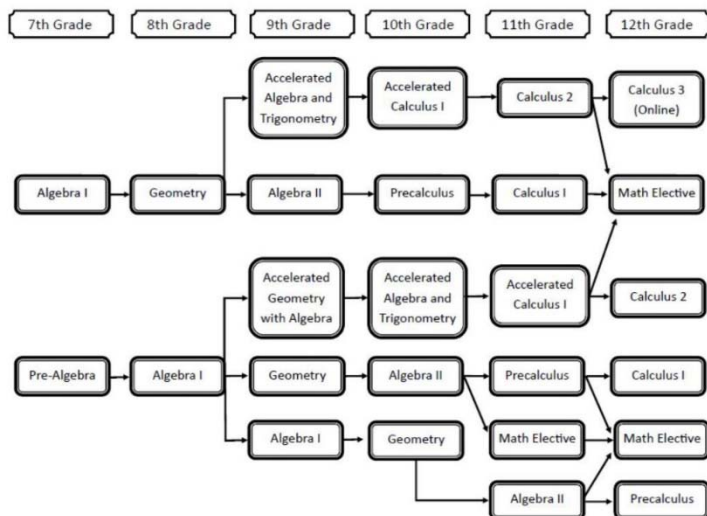
### Grade Conversion Chart

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			

**English** – All students take English 9 and 10 as full-year courses. Semester courses are combined juniors and seniors.

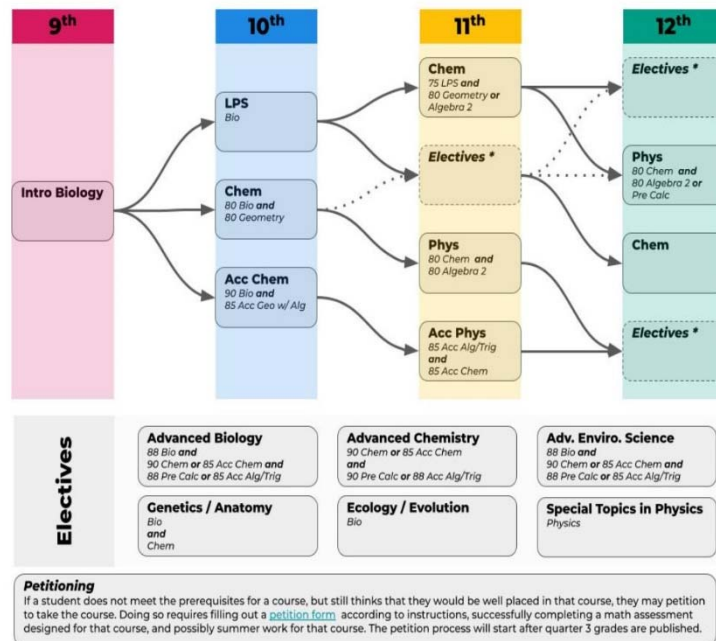
Analysis & Crit. in Contemp. Lit.	Frankenstein & Its Monstrous Progeny	Modern Environmental Literature	Shakespeare
British Novels	Jesus in Literature	Narrative Journalism	The Short Story
Creative Nonfiction	Journalism	The Narrative of Suspense	Social Science Fiction
Exercises in Style	Latin American Literature	Philosophy and Literature	Utopias & Dystopias
Fiction Writing	Literature and Politics	Playwriting	Wise Readings
Film As Text	Literature of the African Diaspora	Practicing Poetry	Writing for Podcasts & Radio

Semester Electives may be added to any sequence.



<u>Semester 1 Electives</u>	<u>Semester 2 Electives</u>
Descriptive Statistics	Inferential Statistics
Discrete Mathematics	Mathematics of Finance

**All are laboratory courses.**



History of Great Civilizations (9)	History of the Modern World (10)	US and the World (11)
American Government	International Conflict Resolution	Music History: Live From Baltimore
Big History	International Relations	Research Sem in African-American History
Constitutional Issues & the Supreme Court	Intro to American Indian History	Topics in Psychology
Global Art History	Intro to Archival Work: Ballitore Project	Unbreakable Baltimore
History of Disease	Intro to Archival: World War II Collection	

French, Levels 1-5	Latin, Levels 1-4 (Prose or Poetry)	Russian, Levels 2-5	Spanish, Levels 1-6
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	Level I	Level II	Level III
Data and Code	Creative Coding*	Object-Oriented Programming	Advanced Topics in Computer Science
Physical Computing	Web Design & Development*	Robotics	Capstone Design
Web Design & Development*	Web Design & User Experience		
Former Courses:	Data Structures	Intro to Java	

<b>Art Major</b>	Independent Study	<b>Music Major</b>	Broadway Musical Workshop
Art and Politics	Painting	Chamber Choir	Craft of Acting
Art, Technology, Media & Design	Photo 1 – 3	Concert Chorale	Playwriting
Design – Photoshop	Printmaking	Jazz Ensemble	Stagecraft
Drawing	Sculptural Forms	Jazz Rhythm Lab	
Drawing – Experimental	Studio Art	Music Theory I & II	Studio Dance 1, 2, 3
<i>Creative Coding (Programming Interactive Art)</i>	<i>Web Design &amp; Development</i>	String Orchestra	
Adaptive Design (Indus. Design + 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.

*Student Assistant Teaching Program	Conflict Resolution Strategies	Intro. To Engineering and Design Thinking
Introduction to Philosophy	Diversity & Social Justice Practitioner Training	STEM Speaker Series
Mahayana Buddhist Literature		3D Modeling & Prototyping with Fusion 360

**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 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.

Current Certificate Offerings (Design Your Own also available)				
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. Began in 2011 with a collaboration with the Haiti Lab at Duke University.

**21** colleges and universities presently collaborating with Friends, including Duke, Johns Hopkins, and Stanford Universities, among others

**Over 600** students who have participated in UPP since the program's launch

**1st** among Baltimore-area schools to create sustained programming that provides students with on-site college research experiences

**180** UPP offerings as of September 1, 2023 — and we're still growing!

**12** extraordinary years of forging deep partnerships with world-class research institutions

## STANDARDIZED TESTING FOR THE CLASS OF 2025

\*Data calculated using the highest section results per student

\*\*As of 10/18/24, 88% of the Class of 2025 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.

SAT Scores (through August 2024)	
Section	Middle 50%
Evidence Based Reading	590-720
Math	540-690
SAT Summary	1140-1420

\*63 students' results

ACT Scores (through September 2024)	
Section	Middle 50%
English	26 - 35
Math	23 - 27
Reading	26 - 34
Science	25 - 30
Composite	25 - 32

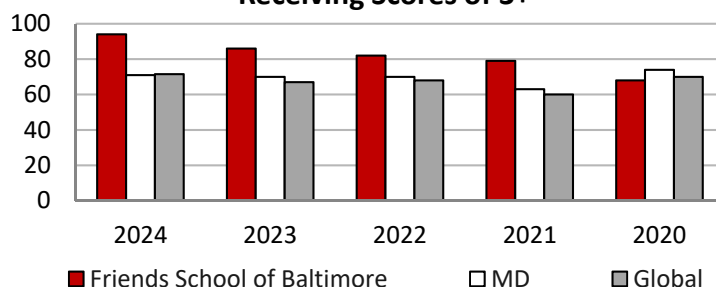
\*7 students' results

## ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP)

Friends School does not offer an AP curriculum but does administer AP examinations every spring for interested students. From 2020-2024, 50% of scores were a 4 or 5 and 80% of students scored a 3 or higher.

Friends School of Baltimore AP Test Scores					
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
AP Students	17	23	28	40	27
# of Exams	28	41	36	49	31
Students with Scores of 3+	16	19	22	29	19
AP Scholars ( <a href="#">all types</a> )	6	9	3	3	1

## 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 cancelation 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 2020-2024

Agnes Scott College	Haverford College	Purdue University
American University	Hobart and William Smith Colleges	Quinnipiac University
Amherst College	Hofstra University	Randolph-Macon College
Baldwin Wallace University	Howard University	Reed College
Bard College	University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Barry University	Indiana University, Bloomington	Rhodes College
Bates College	Ithaca College	Rice University
Binghamton University	James Madison University	University of Richmond
Boston College	Johns Hopkins University	Ringling College of Art and Design
Boston University	The Juilliard School	University of Rochester
Bowie State University	University of Kentucky	Rochester Institute of Technology
Brown University	Kenyon College	Roger Williams University
Bryn Mawr College	La Salle University	Salisbury University
Bucknell University	Lafayette College	University of San Francisco
University of California, Irvine	Lehigh University	Sarah Lawrence College
University of California, Los Angeles	Leiden University	Savannah College of Art and Design
University of California, San Diego	Lewis & Clark College	School of the Art Institute of Chicago
Carleton College	Long Island University, Brooklyn	Scripps College
Carnegie Mellon University	Louisiana State University	Seton Hill University
Case Western Reserve University	Loyola University Maryland	Sewanee: The University of the South
Chapman University	Loyola University New Orleans	Skidmore College
College of Charleston	Lycoming College	Smith College
University of Cincinnati	Macalester College	University of South Carolina
Clark Atlanta University	Marist College	Southern Methodist University
Clemson University	University of Mary Washington	University of St Andrews
Colby College	University of Maryland, Baltimore County	St Mary's College of Maryland
Colgate University	University of Maryland, College Park	St. Norbert College
University of Colorado Boulder	University of Maryland Eastern Shore	Stanford University
Colorado College	McDaniel College	Stevens Institute of Technology
Colorado School of Mines	McGill University	Stevenson University
Colorado State University (Fort Collins)	Messiah University	Swarthmore College
Columbia University	University of Miami	Syracuse University
Community College of Baltimore County	University of Michigan	Temple University
University of Connecticut	Michigan State University	Temple University, Japan Campus
Connecticut College	Middle Tennessee State University	The University of Texas at Austin
Cornell University	Middlebury College	Towson University
Dartmouth College	University of Minnesota (Twin Cities)	Trinity College
Davidson College	University of Mississippi	Tufts University
University of Delaware	The University of Montana	Tulane University
Delaware State University	Morgan State University	United States Military Academy at West Point
Denison University	University of New England	University of Utah
University of Denver	University of New Hampshire	Vanderbilt University
DePaul University	University of New Haven	Vassar College
DePauw University	New York University	University of Vermont
Dickinson College	North Carolina A & T State University	Villanova University
Drew University	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	University of Virginia
Drexel University	University of North Carolina at Greensboro	Virginia Commonwealth University
Duke University	Northeastern University	Virginia Tech
Eastman School of Music	University of Notre Dame	Wake Forest University
Eckerd College	Oberlin College	Warren Wilson College
Elon University	Occidental College	University of Washington
Emerson College	The Ohio State University	Washington & Jefferson College
Emory University	Ohio University	Washington and Lee University
Florida A & M University	Ohio Wesleyan University	Washington College
Fordham University	Old Dominion University	Washington University in St. Louis
Franklin & Marshall College	Oregon State University	Wellesley College
George Washington University	Pace University	Wesleyan University
Georgetown University	Parsons School of Design	West Chester University of Pennsylvania
Georgia State University	University of Pennsylvania	West Virginia University
Gettysburg College	Penn State University, University Park	Whitman College
Goucher College	Pennsylvania College of Technology	Widener University
Grinnell College	Pepperdine University	William & Mary
Guilford College	University of Pittsburgh	University of Wisconsin, Madison
Hamilton College	Pomona College	The College of Wooster
Hampton University	Princeton University	Xavier University
	Providence College	Yale University