

Parish Arts



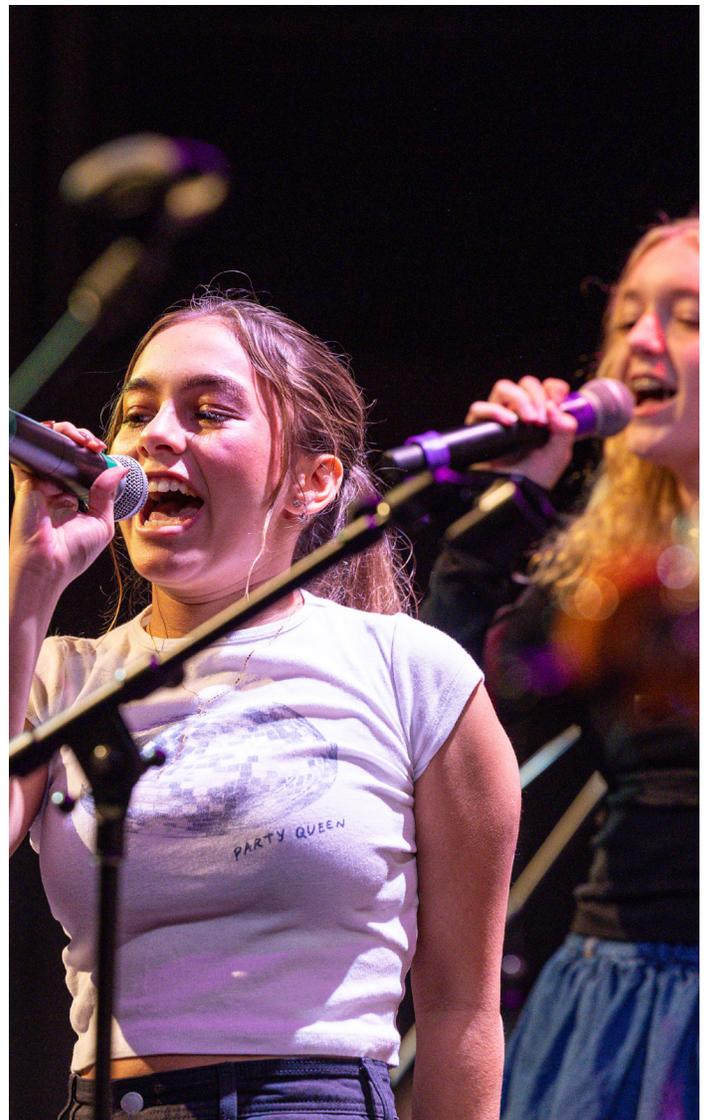
The Arts diploma endorsement program is designed to equip our students to be meaning makers and creative problem solvers who adeptly navigate the ambiguity and complexity of the contemporary world. Students who successfully complete the program requirements receive a Parish Arts endorsement on their diplomas, an enduring mark that recognizes the sum of their program-related accomplishments.

Program Objectives:

- **Artistic Mastery:** Develop a deep understanding of the skills and concepts of a single arts discipline
- **Collaboration & Interdisciplinary Thinking:** Foster collaboration, teamwork and interdisciplinary skills that nurture student capacity to innovate
- **Critical Making:** Equip students with skills and experiences to be hands-on, active creators and problem solvers
- **Creative Voice:** Develop a clear, creative voice and dynamic toolbox for artistic expression
- **Servant Leadership:** Demonstrate compassion, character and selflessness in service to the Parish Arts community and beyond

Program Requirements:

- Minimum GPA of 3.0 in all Arts coursework
- Successful completion of an Arts capstone project and presentation in the 12th grade year
- Two full years additional Arts credits beyond the graduation requirement for a total of three full years. Two classes (.66 credit) must be outside of the chosen, primary pathway
- Participation in Parish Arts Collective (formerly Parish Arts Leadership Council)
- A minimum of one academic arts course must be taken each year of Upper School (credit-bearing, co-curricular classes do not count)



Visual Arts Pathway:

- Coursework:
 - 2.33 credits from Visual Arts courses
 - .66 credits from non Visual Arts courses (Acting I, Acting II, Dance I, Dance II, Guitar, Music Tech, Piano, Tech Theatre I, Tech Theatre II, Vocal Music, Creative Writing I, Creative Writing II)
 - AP 2D or 3D Design
- Submission to juried shows (at least one in 11th grade and one in 12th grade)
- Capstone Project & Presentation

Performing Arts Pathway:

- Coursework:
 - 2.33 credits from Performing Arts courses
 - .66 credits from non Performing Arts courses (Ceramics I, Ceramics II, Drawing & Painting I, Drawing & Painting II, Filmmaking I, Filmmaking II, Design I, Design II, Photo I, Photo II, Printmaking I, Printmaking II, Creative Writing I, Creative Writing II)
- Participation in a performing arts ensemble in 11th and 12th grade
- Capstone Project & Presentation

Capstone Project

The Capstone Project is a culminating public performance, presentation or exhibit of a student's artistic mastery, interdisciplinary thinking, critical making and creative voice.

Capstone Presentation

The Arts Diploma Endorsement program culminates in a Capstone Presentation showcasing the full scope of a student's Capstone Project process and reflection on the experience. A Capstone Night is hosted in May and open to the full Parish community.



Application Process

(Conducted during 9th grade year)

- February - Applications open
- March - Interviews
- April - Decision communication

For inquires, please reach out to:

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