Founded in 1877, Lourdes is a comprehensive four-year college preparatory high school enrolling 342 students in grades 9 through 12. Lourdes offers a challenging curriculum with course offerings representing a wide range of academic abilities and interests. Lourdes High School strives to be a Christian community committed to excellence, supporting and developing responsibility and respect for all.

Rochester is a community of approximately 122,000 located in southeast Minnesota. The culturally rich and diverse city has a high proportion of the population employed in the medical, research, engineering, and technology professions influenced by the largest employer, Mayo Clinic.

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LOURDES HIGH SCHOOL

A Rochester Catholic School

2024-2025 Academic Profile

Curriculum

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Lourdes Facts

- Affiliation: Catholic
- Accreditation: Cognia (formerly AdvanceED)
- Enrollment: 316
- Average class size: 23
- Student/Faculty ratio: 11:1
- Facilities include:
  - Chapel
  - Campus Ministry Center
  - 4 science laboratories
  - Engineering laboratory
  - Fine Arts Wing featuring:
    - band room
    - choir room
    - black box theater
    - auditorium
    - ceramics studio
  - Gymnasium
  - Weight training rooms
  - Student Success Center

Graduation Requirements

English - 4.0 credits
Religion - 4.0 credits
Social Studies - 3.5 credits
Science - 3.0 credits
Mathematics - 3.0
Phy Ed - 1.0 credit
Fine Arts - 1.0 credit
Health - 0.5 credit
Language - 2.0 credits
Electives - 4.0 credits

Students take 7 to 8 classes each semester. Classes meet in a flexible modular schedule.

Advanced Placement & Honors Courses

Art	AP Studio Art/Art IV
English	AP Language and Composition, AP Literature and Composition, Honors English II
Mathematics	AP Calculus AB, AP Statistics, Honors Geometry, Honors Algebra II, Honors Pre-Calculus and Trigonometry
Music	AP Music Theory
Science	AP Biology, AP Environmental Science, Honors Chemistry, Honors Anatomy and Physiology
Social Studies	AP Human Geography, AP Psychology, AP US History
World Language	AP Spanish, Honors Spanish IV, Honors Spanish V

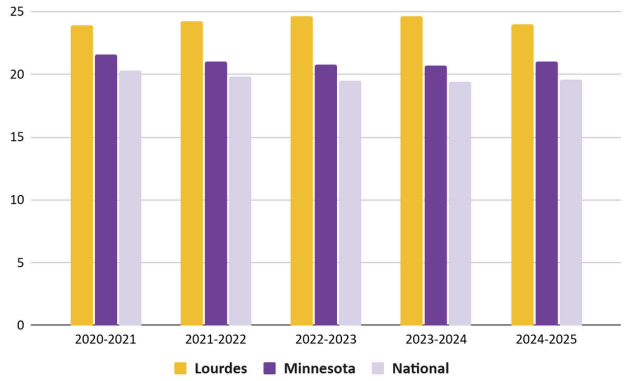
- Post-secondary enrollment is available to juniors and seniors by application at local colleges.
- Program for Advanced College Credit (PACC) is available through St. Mary's University of Minnesota.

Grading Scale

Letter Grade	%	Grade Point
A	93	4.0
A-	90	3.7
B+	87	3.3
B	83	3.0
B-	80	2.7
C+	77	2.3
C	73	2.0
C-	70	1.7
D+	67	1.3
D	63	1.0
D-	60	0.7
F	<60	0.0

- 1.1 multiplier is used for Honors, AP and PACC Courses.
- Students are not assigned a rank in class, an approximate decile is available upon request.

ACT Composite Comparison



AP Exams

- 140 students took a total of 195 exams
- 92% of students earned a score of 3+ providing the opportunity to earn college credit
- 14 AP Scholars (3+ on 3 or more exams)
- 4 AP Scholars with Honor (3+ on 4 or exams)
- 1 AP Scholar with Distinction (3+ on 5 or more exams)

National Merit Recipients

In the past five years, 11 seniors have been recognized by the National Merit Foundation, including 8 Commended Scholars and 3 Finalists. Most juniors take the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT).

Special Programs

- Student Retreats/Peer Ministry
- Mentorship Program
- National Honor Society
- Student Ambassadors
- Convocation

Activities

25 clubs
including yearbook / art club / debate team/ math league / student council / chess club / cultural exchange / cam club / eagle eye / avedium

20 team sports
# of participants:
fall sports - 201
winter sports - 82
spring sports - 173

music
Marching Band - Center Street Singers
Hi - Lighters - Jazz Band - Winter Drumline

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES - CLASS OF 2025

Augsburg University
Augustana University
Baylor University
Bates College
Benedictine College
Berklee College of Music
Boston University
Bowdoin College
Butler University
Carleton College
Carroll University
Catholic University of America
Central Washington University
College of St. Benedict & St. John's
Concordia University - St Paul
Creighton University
Dakota County Technical College
Drake University
Florida Atlantic University
Florida Gulf Coast University
Grand Canyon University
Gustavus Adolphus College
Henderson State University
Illinois State University
Indiana University - Bloomington
Iowa State University
Lawrence University
Luther College
Michigan Technical University
Middle Tennessee State University
Minneapolis Community and Technical College
Minnesota State University - Mankato
Marquette University
Michigan Technological University
North Dakota State University
Oklahoma University
Rochester Community and Technical College
Salve Regina University
St. Mary's University of Minnesota
South Dakota State University
St. Catherine University
St. Louis University
St. Olaf College
St. Thomas University
Temple University
University of Cincinnati
University College of Dublin
University of Houston
University of Iowa
University of Loyola
University of Minnesota Duluth
University of Minnesota Rochester
University of Minnesota Twin Cities
University of New Mexico
University of North Dakota
University of Northwestern
University of Notre Dame
University of South Florida
University of St. Thomas
University of Tampa
University of Wisconsin Eau Claire
University of Wisconsin La Crosse
University of Wisconsin Madison
University of Wisconsin Platteville
University of Wisconsin River Falls
University of Wisconsin Stout
University of Wyoming*
University of Vermont
Villanova University
Viterbo University
Winona State University

2025 Graduate Matriculated

