VILLA JOSEPH MARIE HIGH SCHOOL

2026–2027 SCHOOL PROFILE

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Villa Joseph Marie High School

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Villa Joseph Marie High School is a private Catholic college-preparatory school for young women, located on 55 wooded acres in suburban Holland, Bucks County, Pennsylvania. The unique, defining qualities of the school include: the school's religious character and value-based curriculum, its commitment to the education of young women, openness to change, self-evaluation and growth, and the dedication of its staff.

There are 315 students, and the faculty consists of 35 members, 65% of whom hold advanced degrees. The school year is divided into two semesters.

ADMISSION to Villa is determined by the High School Placement Test (HSPT), teacher recommendations, middle school records, and a personal interview by Admissions staff. Villa is committed to fulfilling its mission without discrimination based on race, color, national origin, religion, or disability.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS A minimum of 24 credits is required for graduation. The following courses must be included: 4 units of Religion; 4 units of English; 3 units of Social Sciences; 3 units of Mathematics; 3 units of Science; 2 units of World Language; 0.6 units of Visual and Performing Arts. *One unit is equal to one credit.*

PROJECT LEAD THE WAY (PLTW) PLTW Engineering teaches students that real-world problems often have multiple solutions with many pathways to achieve success. Villa offers courses in Intro to Engineering and Design, Aerospace Engineering, and Civil Engineering and Architecture. PLTW Engineering encourages students to adopt a problem-solving mindset, engaging them in compelling, real-world challenges that help them become better collaborators and thinkers. Our students have continued to perform in the ACCOMPLISHED and DISTINGUISHED categories through their assessments.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES (AP) are offered to grades 9 through 12. In May 2026, 139 students took AP exams, and 17 students attained the distinction of AP Scholar; 8 students attained AP Scholar with Honor; and 6 students attained AP Scholar with Distinction.

Courses offered: English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, Calculus AB and BC, Statistics, Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Physics 1, World History, Human Geography, U.S. History, U.S. Government, Psychology, Latin, Spanish Language and Culture, and 2D Art.

HONORS, COLLEGE PREP, and AP COURSES are offered throughout the four years and are indicated on the transcripts. Please refer to our grading scale to review the quality points assigned at each course level. ALL courses offer a comprehensive study of specific subjects, with expanded opportunities for independent work. Freshman students are limited to 3 honors courses and 1 AP.

CLASS RANK Due to the competitive, selective nature of the admission policy and the small class size, Villa does not rank its students.

DIOCESAN SCHOLARS' PROGRAM is offered to three seniors identified through a highly selective process. They can enroll in two college courses per semester, tuition-free, at participating colleges.

DUAL CREDIT with Holy Family University will be available to students during the 2026–2027 school year.

QUALITY POINTS

Grade Equivalent	Number	Academic	Honors	AP
A	94–100	4.0	4.5	5.0
A–	91–93	3.7	4.2	4.7
B+	89–90	3.5	4.0	4.5
B	86–88	3.2	3.7	4.2
B–	83–85	2.9	3.4	3.9
C+	80–82	2.6	3.1	3.6
C	77–79	2.3	2.8	3.3
C–	75–76	2.0	2.5	3.0
D+	72–74	1.7	2.2	2.7
D	70–71	1.4	1.9	2.4
F	69 and below	0	0	0
I	Incomplete			

TEST SCORE RANGES:

MID 50% SAT EBRW: 540–650
MATH: 460–620

MID 50% ACT COMPOSITE: 27–30

ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) SCORES:
60% of AP Test Takers scored a 3 or higher
32% of AP Test Takers scored a 4 or higher

COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

Villa students have been accepted to these colleges and universities over the last three years (partial list):

Agnes Scott College
Auburn University
Boston College
Boston University
Clemson University
College of Charleston
College of William & Mary
DeSales University
Drexel University
Duquesne University
Elon University
Embry-Riddle University
Fairfield University
Fordham University
George Washington University
Georgia Institute of Technology
Gettysburg College
Harvard University
High Point University
Johns Hopkins University
Lafayette College
Lehigh University
Loyola University
New York University
Northeastern University
Pennsylvania State University
Schreyer Honors College
Princeton University
Purdue University
Quinnipiac University
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rochester Institute of Technology
Saint Joseph's University
Savannah College of Art and Design
Seton Hall University
Smith College
Syracuse University
The Catholic University of America
The Ohio State University
Temple University
Tulane University
U.S. Naval Academy
University of Alabama
University of Connecticut
University of Dayton
University of Delaware
University of Georgia
University of Maryland
University of North Carolina
University of Notre Dame
University of Pennsylvania
University of Pittsburgh
University of Richmond
University of South Carolina
University of Tampa
University of Virginia
Virginia Tech
Wake Forest University