

SCHOOL PROFILE

2025-2026

MARYVALE

LEARN. LEAD. SUCCEED.

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	481
Grades 9-12	371
Class of 2025	95

FACULTY

Teaching Faculty	79
Student/Faculty Ratio	8:1

ACCREDITATION

Accredited by Maryland 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 & 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 2025, 127 students completed 259 AP exams; 87% of exams earned a score of 3 or higher.

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
127	1		

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)
Writing for Publication (.5)
Playwriting (.5)
Publication Design (Yearbook)
Public Speaking, Presentation & Performance (.5)
Sports Literature

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 (Accel)
Ecology (.5)
Environmental Science (AP)

Environmental Systems (Accel)
Forensic Science I Accel (.5)
Forensic Science II Accel (.5)
Introduction to Criminal Justice (.5)
Introduction to Engineering (CP, H) (.5)
Marine Biology (.5)
Physics Honors
Physics C AP
Public Health Honors (.5)
Sports Medicine I (.5)
Sports Medicine II (.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 through

Notre Dame University of Maryland

Religion and the Big Questions
English 11 (H)
English 12 (H)
French IV (H)
Public Speaking, Performance and Presentation

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

American Sign Language I & II
Latin I,II,III,IV

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 2025

75 GRADUATES WERE OFFERED ALMOST \$10,000,000 IN ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

American University

American University of Paris

Arizona State University

Auburn University

Bard College

Baylor University

Belmont University

Berklee College of Music

Boston College

Boston University

Brenau University

Bridgewater College

Bucknell University

Carnegie Mellon University

Case Western Reserve University

Chapman University

Clemson University

Coastal Carolina University

College of Charleston*

College of the Holy Cross

College of William and Mary

Coppin State University

DePaul University

Dickinson College

Drexel University

Duquesne University

East Carolina University*

Elizabethtown College

Elon University

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical Univ.

Fairfield University*

Flagler College

Florida Atlantic University

Florida Gulf Coast University

Florida Institute of Technology

Florida Southern College

Fordham University

Franklin and Marshall College

Furman University

Gettysburg College

Gonzaga University

Goucher College

Hampton University

Harvard University

High Point University*

Hobart and William Smith Colleges

Hofstra University

Howard University

Indiana University

Ithaca College

James Madison University

John Cabot University

Kent State University

Kenyon College

King's College

La Salle University

Lafayette College

Lehigh University

Louisiana State University

Loyola University Chicago

Loyola University Maryland

Lycoming College

Marquette University

Massachusetts College of Pharmacy

and Health Sciences

McDaniel College

Mercer University

Messiah University

Miami University, Oxford

Michigan State University

Mississippi State University

Monmouth University

Morgan State University

Mount St. Mary's University

Muhlenberg College

North Carolina A&T State University

North Carolina Central University

Northeastern University

Oberlin College

The Ohio State University

Pennsylvania State University

Pepperdine University

Providence College

Randolph Macon College*

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Rhodes College

Rice University

Roanoke College

Rollins College

Saint Francis University

Saint Joseph's University*

Saint Mary's College of Indiana

Saint Mary's College of Maryland

Salisbury University

San Diego State University

Savannah College of Art & Design

Siena College

Stanford University

Stevenson University*

Susquehanna University

Syracuse University

Temple University

Texas Christian University

Thomas Jefferson University

Towson University*

United States Military Academy

United State Naval Academy

University of Alabama

University of California, Santa Cruz

University of Central Florida

University of Connecticut

University of Dayton

University of Delaware*

University of Hartford

University of Illinois, Chicago

University of Kentucky

University of Maryland, Eastern Shore

University of Maryland, Balt. County

University of Maryland, College Park*

University of Massachusetts - Amherst

University of Miami

University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

University of Mississippi

University of New Mexico

University of North Carolina, Charlotte

University of North Carolina, Wilmington

University of Oregon

University of Pittsburgh

University of Richmond

University of Rochester

University of South Carolina*

University of South Florida

University of Southern California

University of Tampa

University of Virginia

Ursinus College

Villanova University

Virginia Commonwealth University

Virginia Polytechnic Institute

Virginia State University

Washington and Jefferson College

Washington College

West Chester University

West Virginia 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.