# SAINT ANN'S SCHOOL

# 2023-2024 SCHOOL PROFILE

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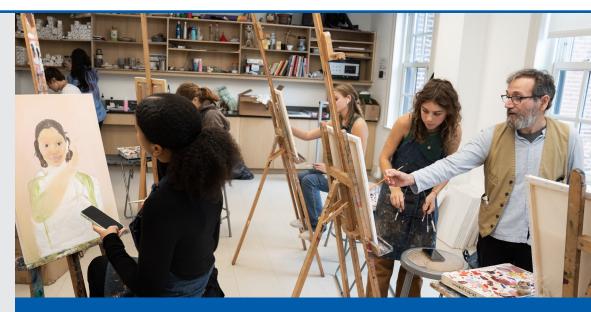
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# MISSION STATEMENT

Saint Ann's exists to nurture the wonder of children. Unfettered by grades, teachers and students embark on journeys of discovery in which the arts are central. Through an ambitious curriculum and a culture of inquiry, we question the world. We invite each other to take risks, pursue knowledge for its own sake, and celebrate growth. We seek to create a community rooted in trust and equity. Here, every subject is an art and every child is an artist.

# COMMUNITY

From its founding in 1965, Saint Ann's has sustained several commitments: a deliberate rejection of formal letter or number grades, curricular rigor and breadth, and the quest to be a community constantly open to reinvention. In recent years that quest has been shaped by a deliberate and sustained commitment to equity, diversity, and inclusion. Saint Ann's offers instruction from preschool through 12th grade with a total enrollment of approximately 1,100 students. The Preschool–12th grade student body is comprised of 41% students of color (P–4th grades: 47%; 5th–9th grades: 39%; 10th–12th grades: 35%). Of the P–12th student body, 24% receives financial aid and/or faculty and staff tuition remission. The total budget for aid and remission is \$13.7 Million.

### **CURRICULUM**

A Saint Ann's education imparts the best of human traditions and discoveries while nurturing intellectual adventure. We seek to inculcate a love of learning for its own sake and to empower each student with the capacity and confidence to make informed judgments about his/her/their course of study. The curriculum is dynamic and flexible, even as it reflects our persistent ideals as a community of learners.

Instruction at Saint Ann's is departmentalized from fourth through twelfth grade, with a teaching faculty numbering 240, made up of scholars, researchers, mathematicians, musicians, artists, and writers. Saint Ann's deliberately integrates and highlights the arts—including dance, music, theater, film, and the visual and recreational arts—as central elements of its curriculum. In addition, high school students enroll in a host of other offerings including a unique seminar program taught "after hours" at the end of the school day.

As a core part of our educational philosophy, grades are not given at Saint Ann's School. Instead, teachers write detailed narrative reports twice yearly. Graduation requirements include four courses in the arts (preferably at least one each in art, music and theater), four years of English, four years of history, four years of language study, four years of mathematics, one recreational arts course per year, and three years of science, including a year of biology and a year of a physical science. Saint Ann's does not offer Honors or AP courses. However, there is ample opportunity for advanced coursework across disciplines.

### **EQUITY & INCLUSION**

We seek to create a collaborative environment in which all people are respected and valued, regardless of race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, religious preference, or physical ability. Keeping the student experience at the center of our vision and decision-making, we seek to draw out authentic, exceptional work from our students. We believe ongoing efforts to diversify our community and enact change across every dimension of our school toward making Saint Ann's a more equitable place to learn and work are essential to who we are and what we seek to become.

Part of equipping our students with the skills and knowledge they need to explore and question the world includes understanding how individual and group identity constructs have shaped and continue to shape society. This has happened most saliently in the United States around the construct of race. Therefore, the work of creating a more equitable school focuses on race and racism, while incorporating many other aspects of identity that contribute to disparity, inequity, or injustice.

In recent years, we have undergone a comprehensive curriculum review. Every department has asked itself what equity-related skills it wants students to possess and when and how it equips them with those skills. Knowing that reflective practice is a feature of all great teaching, we anticipate this work will continue for the foreseeable future. In the middle and high schools, students in all grades have both structured and unstructured opportunities to talk and learn about topics related to equity and inclusion. This equity work builds upon and strengthens our original pedagogical philosophy: that education is, in the last analysis, a celebration of life and that life is wondrous, ephemeral, and for these reasons, sacred.

# **CLASS OF 2023 MATRICULATION**

Amherst College6	Emory University
Barnard College1	Howard University
Bates College1	Johns Hopkins University
Bennington College1	Kenyon College
Boston University3	New York University
Brown University2	Northwestern University
Colorado College2	Oberlin College
Columbia University1	Occidental College
Cornell University1	Pitzer College
Emerson College1	Pomona College

Princeton University
Rhode Island School of Design
Rice University
Stanford University
SUNY, University at Buffalo1
Tufts University
United States Military Academy, West Point1
University of Chicago
University of Michigan

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University of New England, Biddeford1	
University of Pennsylvania1	
University of Rochester1	
Vanderbilt University2	
Vassar College4	
Washington University in St. Louis.1	
Wesleyan University6	
Williams College4	
Yale University6	

# FIVE YEAR MATRICULATION

#### 10 or More Students

Amherst College Brown University Oberlin College Princeton University

Tufts University

University of Chicago

Vassar College

Wesleyan University

Williams College

Yale University

## 5 or More Students

Barnard College Boston University Colorado College Columbia University

Cornell University Emory University

Harvard University

Kenyon College Middlebury College

New York University

Northwestern University

Pitzer College

Rhode Island School of Design

Rice University

Smith College Stanford University University of Michigan

#### 4 Students

Emerson College
Georgetown University
Pomona College
Swarthmore College
University of St Andrews (UK)

Washington University in St. Louis

#### 3 Students

Bard College

Connecticut College

Oberlin College-Oberlin Conservatory of Music

University of California, Los Angeles University of Pennsylvania

#### 2 Students

Carleton College
American University
Bates College
Bennington College
Bowdoin College
Colby College
Duke University
Hamilton College
Haverford College
Parsons School of Design
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Sarah Lawrence College
Tulane University
Lipiversity of California San

University of California, Santa Barbara

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

University of North Carolina, School of the Arts

University of Rochester

University of Southern California

University of Virginia Vanderbilt University

Wellesley College

#### 1 Student

Babson College Bard College, Berlin (GER) Boston College Bryn Mawr College

Carnegie Mellon University

Chapman University
Davidson College

Fashion Institute of Technology George Washington University

Hendrix College Howard University Johns Hopkins University

Lafayette College Loughborough University (UK)

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Mount Holyoke College New England Conservatory Occidental College

Otis College of Art & Design Savannah College of Art & Design

School of the Art Institute of Chicago

Scripps College

SUNY, Binghamton University

SUNY, University at Buffalo

Syracuse University

Trinity College, Dublin (IRE)

United States Military Academy,

West Point

University of British Columbia (CAN)

University of California, San Diego

University of Edinburgh (UK)

University of Hartford

University of Massachusetts, Amherst

University of Miami

University of New England, Biddeford

University of Vermont Wake Forest University

STANDARDIZED TEST SCORES FOR THE CLASS OF 2023

TEST	RANGE	PERCENTAGE OF CLASS
ACT Composite Score	28-36	25%
SAT Total Score	1250-1570	26%
Evidence-Based Reading & Writing	600-800	
Math	580-790	
Test Optional (Applied without test scores)	N/A	49%
TOTAL		100%