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**Notre Dame School
 of Manhattan**

**2016-2017
 School Profile**

Founded: 1912

Type: Private, Catholic, College Preparatory Girls High School

Enrollment: 346 Girls, 82 Seniors

Faculty: 26, over 75% hold MA/MS or PhD degrees

President:

Dr. Virginia O'Brien, S.U.

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GRADING SCALE

The following conversion scale is used at Notre Dame School to satisfy some college application requests:

A+ = 97-100 = 3.9-4.0

A = 93-96 = 3.75-3.89

A- = 90-92 = 3.5-3.74

B+ = 87-89 = 3.25-3.49

B = 83-86 = 3.00-3.24

B- = 80-82 = 2.75-2.99

C+ = 77-79 = 2.5-2.74

C = 73-76 = 2.25-2.49

C- = 70-72 = 2.00-2.24

F = 69 = 0

The Grade Point Average (GPA) of students will be computed according to the following weighting system:

Advanced Placement courses – 1.05

Honors courses – 1.03

College Preparatory and Regents

courses – 1.00

Notre Dame School of Manhattan is a private, Catholic college preparatory school for young women. The enrollment is 346 academically talented and ethnically diverse girls with a student-faculty ratio of 14:1. Since its founding in 1912, education at Notre Dame has been characterized by close, family-like relationships between student and faculty. The educational program at Notre Dame is college preparatory and directed toward the development of each student as a whole person. We seek to help meet the needs of each student intellectually, physically, socially and spiritually. One hundred percent of our graduates are accepted into four-year colleges and universities. Each member of our current senior class, which numbers 82, plans to continue this tradition. Notre Dame is accredited by the New York State Association of Independent Schools (NYSAIS). The student body is culturally diverse with a population that is 38.5% Hispanic or Latino, 0.1% American Indian or Alaska Native, 6.4% Asian, 9.7% Black or African American, and 45% White. 34% of students receive free or reduced lunch.

ACADEMICS AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Notre Dame provides a full college preparatory education for all students. A Notre Dame diploma is merited by the satisfactory completion of a secondary course of study totaling 29.5 units. These units include those required by New York State. A New York State Regents Diploma is awarded to all students. A minimum of 65% is needed on the five required Regents/Common Core exams. Students who meet additional requirements earn an Advanced Regents Diploma. The passing grade in each subject is 70%. Grade Point Average is based upon a weighted grading system. Weighted grades are awarded based upon a course's level of difficulty. Notre Dame School does not rank its students.

Notre Dame Diploma Requirements			
English	4 units	Art	1 unit
Science	4 units	Physical Education	2 units
Mathematics	4 units	*Latin	1 unit
Social Studies	4 units	Health	.5 unit
*Religious Studies	2 units	Electives	3 units
*American Studies	1 unit	Community Service	40 hours
French or Spanish	3 units		
			*May be waived for transfer students

ADVANCED PLACEMENT AND HONORS CLASSES

Enrollment in AP and Honors courses is selective and based on academic performance and teacher recommendations. Students are not permitted to take more than three AP/Honors courses per year.

HONORS COURSES

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

ELECTIVE COURSES

Economics, French 4, Spanish 4, Latin 3

AP Art History, AP Calculus, AP English Language and Composition, AP English Literature and Composition, AP Environmental Science, AP U.S. Government, AP U.S. History, AP World History, AP Studio Art 2D Design Intermediate Art, American Studies, Science Research and Design, Applied Physics, Foundations of Calculus, Latin 2, Robotics and Engineering Design, Four Genres in Literature, Advanced Art, Senior Seminar (various subjects)

COURSE OF STUDY

9th Grade

Bible /Christology
English 9: Traditions in Literature
Global History and Geography
American Studies 1
Introduction to Art
Living Environment
Integrated Algebra
French 1
Spanish 1
Women's Health and Well Being
Physical Education
Study Skills/Counseling 1
Technology and Literacy

*Electives

10th Grade

Paschal Mystery/Church
English 10: British Literature
Global History/AP World Hist
*American Studies 2
*American Art
Chemistry
Geometry
French 2
Spanish 2
Latin 1
Physical Education
Study Skills/Counseling 2

11th Grade

Sacraments/Morality
English 11: American Lit/
AP English Lang and Comp
US History/AP US History
French 3
Spanish 3
Latin 2
AP Art History
Physical Education
College Prep/SAT Prep
Physics
Algebra 2/Trigonometry

12th Grade

Vatican II/World Religions
English 12: Four Genres/
AP English Lit and Comp
Government/AP Government
Economics/Honors Economics
*French 4 Honors
*Spanish 4 Honors
*Latin 3 Honors
Avd. Studio Art/AP 2D Design
Physical Education
College Advisement
*Applied Physics
*Science Research and Design
AP Environmental Science
Foundations in Calculus
AP Calculus
*Robotics and Engineering Design
*Senior Seminar – Various Topics

CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

A partial listing of activities for this academic year follows:

Anne's Leaders	Drama	Math Club	Running Club	Student Council
Art Club	Girl Up Club	Multicultural Club	Spirit Squad	Tennis Club
Basketball	Girls Who Code	Music Club	Soccer	Volleyball
Chorus	Liturgy Schola	National Honor Society	Softball	Yearbook
Debate Club	Liturgy Club	Photography Club	Step Team	

PROFILE OF THE GRADUATING CLASSES OF 2012-2016

100% accepted to four-year colleges and universities.

91% of the graduates won academic scholarships or awards from colleges.

Together the classes earned **over \$79 million** in academic scholarships.

Full-tuition scholarships include: The Gates Millennium Scholarship & The Posse Foundation Scholarship.

STUDENTS WERE ACCEPTED TO THE FOLLOWING COLLEGES:

Adelphi University*	Davidson College*	Manhattan College*	Syracuse University*
American University*	Drexel University*	Marist College*	Trinity College*
Bard College	Duke University*	Marquette University*	Trinity College, Dublin
Barnard College*	Elon University*	Middlebury College*	Tufts University
Bates College*	Emory University*	McGill University	Univ. of Chicago*
Baylor University*	Fairfield University*	New York University*	Univ. of Connecticut*
Boston College*	Fordham University*	Northeastern University*	Univ. of Maryland
Boston University*	Franklin & Marshall College*	Northwestern University*	Univ. of Massachusetts*
Brandeis University*	George Washington University*	Ohio State University*	Univ. of Miami*
Bryn Mawr College *	Goucher College*	Penn State University*	Univ. of Michigan*
Bucknell University	Hampshire College	Princeton University	Univ. of Notre Dame*
Carnegie Mellon University	Haverford College*	Providence College*	Univ. of Pennsylvania
Colgate University	Hofstra University*	Rutgers University*	Univ. of San Francisco*
College of the Holy Cross*	Johns Hopkins University*	Sarah Lawrence College*	Univ. of Scranton*
College of Mount St. Vincent*	Lafayette College*	Skidmore College*	Univ. of St. Andrews
Columbia University*	Lehigh University*	Smith College*	Univ. of Virginia
Connecticut College*	Le Moyne College*	Spelman College*	Villanova University*
Cornell University	Loyola University Chicago*	St. Joseph's University*	Wesleyan University*
CUNY: Baruch College*,	Loyola University Maryland*	SUNY: Albany*, Binghamton,	
Brooklyn College-Scholars Program,		Stony Brook*, Geneseo*	
Hunter College*, Macaulay Honors College*			

* Academic scholarship awarded