

McLean School

Upper School Profile 2022-2023

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The School

McLean School is a K-12 college preparatory, independent, co-educational, day school supporting bright students' individual learning strengths and challenges. Founded in 1954, McLean graduated its first senior class in 2003. McLean is accredited by the Association of Independent Maryland Schools (AIMS) and the Maryland State Department of Education.

Mission

McLean School's mission is to make education accessible, stimulating, and meaningful to a broad range of bright K-12 learners.
Our students flourish because McLean responds to students' strengths and challenges. McLean prepares students intellectually and socially by encouraging self-advocacy and building self-confidence.

Our students succeed because they learn how to learn.

Ratio of Teachers - 6:1	Teachers with Postgraduate Degrees - 71%
Learning Services Team - 2	Counselors - 2 College Counselors - 2

Upper School Enrollment

Grade 12 - 36	Grade 11 - 40	Grade 10 - 60	Grade 9 - 60
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Grading

GPA is calculated on a 4.0 scale. Grades in Honors classes are weighted by .33. Grades in AP classes are weighted by .67.

McLean is on a semester schedule, recording semester grades. We do not calculate class rank. A few classes, such as P.E., are graded on a Pass/Fail basis. The grading scale is as follows:
A 93-100 **A-** 90-92 **B+** 87-89 **B** 83-86 **B-** 80-82 **C+** 77-79 **C** 73-76 **C-** 70-72 **D+** 67-69 **D** 63-66 **D-** 60-62 **F** 59 or below

During the spring of 2021 through distance learning, academic rigor and grades remained consistent. In certain circumstances grades of Pass were conferred.

Honors and Advanced Placement

Honors classes are offered in selected subjects. Eleven AP classes are available to students in grades 11 and 12. AP classes are open to all McLean juniors and seniors who express the desire to challenge themselves in preparation for the rigor of college-level academics. Students are discouraged from taking more than two AP courses simultaneously.

Senior Projects

Seniors participate in a two-week independent project at the end of the year. Students must submit a formal proposal, choose a faculty advisor, keep a daily journal, and present their projects to the entire Upper School community. Senior Projects are graded on an Honors/Pass/Fail basis and recorded on the final transcript.

Graduation Requirements

English	3 credits	History/Social Science	3 credits	Physical Education	2 credits
Literature	3 credits	Science	3 credits	The Arts	1 credit
Mathematics	4 credits	Foreign Language	2 credits	Total Needed	26 credits
Senior English/Humanities	1 credit			Service Learning	40 hours

Curriculum for the 2022-2023 Academic Year

English English 9 English 9 Honors English 10 English 10 Honors English 11 English 11 Honors	Literature Literature 9 Literature 9 Honors Global Literature Global Literature Honor American Literature American Literature Honors AP English Literature and Composition Advanced English Literature and Composition	Mathematics Algebra 1 Geometry Geometry Honors Algebra 2/Trigonometry Algebra 2/Trigonometry Honors Precalculus Precalculus Honors Discrete Math Probability and Statistics Calculus AP Calculus AB Multivariable Calculus
History/Social Science US History US History Honors Western Traditions Western Traditions Honors The America Narrative History, Politics, and Myth The Modern World The Modern World Honors Constructing the Past: The Role of Literature, Film, Music, and TV in Shaping History Philosophy and Art AP Human Geography AP US Government and Politics Psychology Hispanics in the US: History, Literature, and Culture	Foreign Language Spanish I Spanish II Spanish III Spanish IV Spanish V AP Spanish Language and Culture Latin I Latin II Latin III Latin IV Latin V AP Latin American Sign Language I American Sign Language II American Sign Language III American Sign Language IV	Science Astronomy Biology Biology Honors Biotechnology Environmental Science Forensic Science Chemistry Physics Physiology and Disease AP Biology AP Chemistry AP Physics C: Mechanics Biotechnology
Visual Arts Art I: Foundations in Art Art II: Elements and Principles of Design AP Art 2-D Design Independent Art Advanced Art Ceramics Animation and Video Exploration Photography Web and Graphic Design Yearbook	Performing Arts Chorus Jazz Band I Jazz Band II Jazz Band III Jazz Band IV Rock, Pop, and Blues I Rock, Pop, and Blues II Rock, Pop, and Blues III Rock, Pop, and Blues IV Strings Ensemble Music Production	STEM Computer Science and Engineering I Computer Science and Engineering II AP Computer Science A Independent Study in Computer Science Independent Study in Engineering

College Acceptances

Below is a list of the colleges and universities into which one or more members of the classes of 2020-2022 were admitted. The **bold** type indicates at least one matriculation.

Albright College
Allegheny College
American University
Arcadia University
Babson College
Barry University
Baylor University
Beacon College
Becker College
Belmont University
Beloit College
Bentley University
Bowie State University
Bryn Mawr College
Bucknell University
Butler University
Caldwell University
Case Western Reserve University
Catholic University of America
Centre College
Champlain College
Chapman University
Christopher Newport University
College of Charleston
Colorado College
Coppin State University
Denison University
Dickinson College
Drexel University
Duquesne University
East Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania
Eckerd College
Elizabethtown College
Elon University
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (Daytona Beach)
Emerson College
Endicott College
Fairfield University
Fisher College
Flagler College
Florida Institute of Technology
Fordham University
Franklin & Marshall College
Frostburg State University

Furman University
George Mason University
George Washington University
Gettysburg College
Goucher College
Hampton University
Harrisburg University of Science and Technology
High Point University
Hobart and William Smith Colleges
Hofstra University
Hollins University
Hood College
Hope College
Howard University
Illinois Institute of Technology
Indiana University (Bloomington)
Iowa State University
Ithaca College
James Madison University
Juniata College
Kentucky State University
Kenyon College
Keuka College
Knox College
La Salle University
Lake Erie College
Lake Forest College
Lasell University
Lawrence Technological University
Lehigh University
Lewis & Clark College
Limestone University
Long Island University (Brooklyn)
Longwood University
Loyola University Chicago
Loyola University Maryland
Lynn University
Marist College
Marquette University
Marymount University
McDaniel College
Mercyhurst University
Merrimack College
Miami University (Oxford)

Michigan State University
Montgomery College
Mount St Mary's University
Muhlenberg College
Neumann University
North Carolina A & T State University
North Carolina Central University
Northeastern University
Oberlin College
Ohio Wesleyan University
Oregon Institute of Technology
Otterbein University
Oxford College of Emory University
Pace University (New York City)
Penn State University (Main Campus)
Penn State University (York)
Potomac State College of West Virginia University
Prince George's Community College
Purdue University (Main Campus)
Queens University of Charlotte
Radford University
Ramapo College of New Jersey
Randolph-Macon College
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rice University
Rider University
Roanoke College
Rochester Institute of Technology
Roger Williams University
Rollins College
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
Rowan University
Rutgers University (New Brunswick)
Saint Edward's University
Saint Joseph's University

Saint Louis University
Saint Michael's College
Salisbury University
Savannah College of Art and Design
Seton Hall University
Shenandoah University
Smith College
St Mary's College of Maryland
St. John's University (New York)
Stetson University
Stevenson University
Stonehill College
Suffolk University
SUNY Oneonta
Susquehanna University
Sweet Briar College
Syracuse University
Temple University
The College of William and Mary
The College of Wooster
The University of Tampa
Towson University
University of Colorado (Colorado Springs)
University of Colorado Boulder
University of Colorado Denver
University of Delaware
University of Denver
University of Hawaii at Manoa
University of Lynchburg
University of Mary Washington
University of Maryland (Baltimore County)
University of Maryland (College Park)
University of Maryland Eastern Shore
University of Massachusetts (Amherst)
University of Memphis
University of Miami
University of Michigan

University of North Carolina at Asheville
University of North Carolina at Greensboro
University of Pittsburgh (Bradford)
University of Pittsburgh (Main Campus)
University of Redlands
University of Rochester
University of San Francisco
University of St Francis
University of Utah
Ursinus College
Villanova University
Virginia Commonwealth University
Virginia State University
Virginia Wesleyan University
Washington College
West Virginia University
West Virginia Wesleyan College
Widener University
Wingate University
Winthrop University
Wittenberg University
Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Xavier University
Yale University