McLean School

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Upper School Profile 2019-2020

The School

McLean School is a K-12 college prepartory, 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 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.

Upper School Enrollment

Grade 12 - 40 **Grade 11 -** 42 **Grade 10 -** 38 **Grade 9 -** 46

Grading

McLean is on a semester schedule, recording semester grades. We do not calculate class rank. A few classes 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

Honors and Advanced Placement

Honors classes are offered in selected subjects. Nine 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 three AP courses simultaneously. GPA is calculated on a 4.0 scale. Grades in Honors classes are weighted by .33. Grades in AP classes are weighted by .67.

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.

Testing for the Class of 2019

SAT Mean
English, Reading, and Writing 564
Math 562
(5 Students)

ACT Mean
Composite 26.8
(24 Students)

Graduation Requirements

English 3 credits History/Social Science 3 credits Physical Education 2 credits 3 credits The Arts Literature 3 credits 1 credit Science Mathematics 4 credits Foreign Language 2 credits Total Needed 26 credits (in the same language) Senior English/Humanities 1 credit Community Service 40 hours

Curriculum for the 2019-2020 Academic Year

English Literature English 9 Foundations in Literature

English 9 Honors Foundations in Literature Honors

Global Literature English 10

English 10 Honors Global Literature Honors English 11 American Literature

English 11 Honors American Literature Honors

Senior English/Humanities

History/Social Science

Creative Writing

20th Century Culture and Thought AP English Literature and Composition

Advanced English Literature and Composition

Constructing the Past: The Role of Lit, Film, Music, and TV in Shaping History

Foreign Language

American Sign Language IV

US History Spanish I **US History Honors** Spanish II Western Traditions Spanish III Western Traditions Honors Spanish IV The Modern World Spanish V

The Modern World Honors AP Spanish Language and Culture

AP US Government and Latin I **Politics** Latin II AP Macroeconomics Latin III Psychology Latin IV

Hispanics in the US: History, American Sign Language I Lit, and Culture American Sign Language II American Sign Language III

Performing Arts

Chorus Jazz Band Rock, Pop, and Blues String Ensemble

Visual Arts

Art I: Foundations in Art

Art II: Elements and Principles of Design

Independent Art

Music Production

Ceramics

Animation and Video Exploration

Web and Graphic Design

Yearbook

Mathematics

Algebra 1 Geometry

Geometry Honors

Algebra 2/Trigonometry

Algebra 2/Trigonometry Honors

Precalculus

Precalculus Honors Discrete Math

Probability and Statistics

AP Calculus AB

Science

Biology

Biology Honors

Environmental Science

Forensic Science

Chemistry **Physics**

Physiology and Public Health Disease and Biotechnology

AP Biology AP Chemistry

AP Physics C: Mechanics

Introduction to Computer Programming Introduction to Engineering AP Computer Science A

College Acceptances

Below is a list of the colleges and universities into which one or more members of the classes of 2015-2019 were admitted. The **bold** type indicates at least one matriculation.

Adelphi University Agnes Scott College The University of Alabama Albright College

Allegheny College

American University Appalachian State University

Arizona State University The University of Arizona

University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff

Bard College **Belmont University** Beloit College Bennett College **Bentley University**

Berklee College of Music

Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania

Boston College Boston University **Brandeis University Bryant University** Bryn Mawr College

Butler University
California State University, Northridge **Case Western Reserve University** The Catholic University of America

Central State University

Christopher Newport University

University of Cincinnati Clark Atlanta University **Clark University** Clarkson University

Colby College Colgate University **University of Colorado Boulder**

University of Colorado Denver Colorado State University Columbia College Chicago **Concordia University - Montreal**

University of Connecticut Cornell College Culver-Stockton College

Curry College University of Delaware Denison University University of Denver DePaul University **Dickinson College** Drew University **Drexel University**

Duquesne University Earlham College

East Carolina University Eastern Illinois University **Eckerd College**

Elon University Emerson College Emory University Fairfield University
Fairleigh Dickinson University

Flagler College

Florida A&M University Florida Institute of Technology Fordham University

Franklin & Marshall College

Frostburg State University Furman University

Gannon University George Mason University

The George Washington University

Gettysburg College **Goucher College Guilford College**

Hampden-Sydney College **Hampton University** University of Hartford Haverford College **High Point University**

Hiram College **Hofstra University Hood College**

Howard University

University of Idaho Indiana University at Bloomington

Iona College Ithaca College

James Madison University

Jefferson College of Health & Sciences

Johnson & Wales University Juniata College

University of Kentucky Kenyon College **Knox College** La Salle University Lafayette College

Landmark College Lawrence University Lewis & Clark College Lincoln University **Longwood University**

Loyola Marymount University Loyola University Chicago Loyola University Maryland

Loyola University New Orleans Lvnn University

Macalester College Manhattan College Manhattanville College Marist College Marquette University Marshall University Mary Baldwin University

University of Mary Washington University of Maryland, Eastern Shore University of Maryland, Baltimore County University of Maryland, College Park

Marymount University **McDaniel College Mercyhurst University** Miami University, Oxford **University of Miami**

University of Mississippi Missouri Western State University University of Missouri Columbia Montana State University, Bozeman

Montgomery College Morehouse College **Mount Holyoke College** Mount St. Mary's University **Muhlenberg College** Muskingum University Nazareth College New England College **New York University** Norfolk State University

Northeastern University University of Northern Colorado

Norwich University Oberlin College Occidental College **Ohio University**

UNC-Asheville

Ohio Wesleyan University Old Dominion University Oregon State University Otterbein University Pace University, New York City University of the Pacific Pennsylvania State University Philander Smith College

University of Pittsburgh **Prince George's Community College University of Puget Sound**

Purdue University Quinnipiac University Radford University Randolph-Macon College

University of Redlands Regis University

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Rider University

Ringling College of Art & Design

Roanoke College Robert Morris University

Rochester Institute of Technology

University of Rochester

Roger Williams University

Rollins College

Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology Rutgers University-New Brunswick

Saint Joseph's University Saint Louis University **Salisbury University** San Diego State University San Francisco State University University of San Francisco Savannah College of Art and Design

Scripps College Seattle University

Seton Hall University Sewanee: The University of the South

Shenandoah University

Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania

Simmons University Skidmore College Smith College

University of South Carolina

South Dakota School of Mines and Technology

Southeast Missouri State University University of Southern Maine

Spelman College Springfield College St. John's University

St. Mary's College of Maryland

St. Olaf College Stetson University

Stevens Institute of Technology
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Stonehill College Stony Brook University SUNY College at Geneseo Susquehanna University Swarthmore College

Sweet Briar College Syracuse University The University of Tampa **Temple University**

University of Tennessee, Knoxville The New School - All Divisions The Ohio State University

Towson University Transylvania University **Tulane University** Union College

University of Lynchburg The University of the Arts

Ursinus College University of Utah Vassar College University of Vermont Villanova University

University of Virginia Virginia Commonwealth University

Virginia Tech

Washington College West Chester University of Pennsylvania

Western Carolina University West Virginia Wesleyan College

Widener University Willamette University College of William and Mary Winston-Salem State University University of Wisconsin, Madison

Wittenberg University Wofford College Woodbury University

The College of Wooster **Worcester Polytechnic Institute**

Xavier University

Xavier University of Louisiana

Yeshiva University

York College of Pennsylvania