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Southern Association of Colleges and Schools

National Association for College Admission Counseling

AdvancEd STEM Certification

SCHOOL DATA

- The school calendar is divided in two semesters
- The school day consists of four alternating 90 minute blocks.

Class of 2023

Class Size.....	208
College Enrollment.....	100%

2023 AP Results

Courses offered.....	23
Students enrolled in AP Courses.....	534
Exams Administered.....	1454
Score of 3 or higher.....	62%
Scored 4 or 5.....	33%

2023 Testing Profile

SAT	Mean
Evidence Based Reading & Writing	620
Math	590
ACT	
Composite	25



OUR LADY OF LOURDES ACADEMY

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CEEB/ACT Code: 101131

2023-2024 School Profile

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Our Lady of Lourdes Academy is to educate young women to face the future, strengthened by their faith, prepared and confident in their abilities to achieve their goals, and committed to their Catholic and American heritages.

SCHOOL INFORMATION

- Our Lady of Lourdes Academy is an archdiocesan high school for young women in grades 9 through 12.
- The school was founded in 1963 to educate Cuban refugees that were under the care of the Catholic Welfare Bureau and is located on a 6-acre campus in suburban South Miami.
- Our student population is comprised of 96% Hispanic and 4% non-Hispanic students.
- Students matriculate from 44 schools and more than 21 Catholic parishes in Miami-Dade County.
- The school is staffed by the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.
- The teaching faculty consists of 64 members, with 77% holding advanced degrees.
- As a premier college preparatory high school in Miami-Dade County, the school has a highly selective admissions process.
- 28% of students receive financial assistance.

ACADEMICS

Our Lady of Lourdes Academy offers classes at a variety of levels, including:

- 55 College Prep courses
- 75 Honors courses
- 8 Advanced English Topics courses
- 4 Advanced Math Topics courses
- 23 Advanced Placement (AP) courses
- 19 Dual Enrollment courses

NOTE: Prerequisite course grades limit access to advanced courses. Math curriculum sequence varies based on placement freshman year and is tracked thereafter.

WEIGHTING OF GPA

- A quality point is assigned to each numerical value from 60-100.
- Courses are weighted for AP, Dual Enrollment, Honors and Advanced courses based on a quality point table.
- Students are not ranked.
- For more information, visit www.olla.org/gpa

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

The number of credits required for graduation is 28. In addition, an unweighted cum GPA of 2.0 or higher and 100 hours of school-approved and documented service are required for graduation. Specific subject requirements are:

Theology	4.0 credits	World Languages	2.0 credits
English.....	4.0 credits	Health/Life Management Skills.....	0.5 credit
Mathematics.....	4.0 credits	Personal Fitness.....	0.5 credit
Social Studies.....	3.0 credits*	Fine Arts	1.0 credit
Science	3.0 credits*	Computer Science.....	0.5 credit
Electives.....	4.5 credits		

* Students are required to take either 4 credits in social studies or 4 credits in science.

GRADING SCALE

98 - 100	=	A+	73 - 76	=	C
93 - 97	=	A	70 - 72	=	C-
90 - 92	=	A-	67 - 69	=	D+
87 - 89	=	B+	63 - 66	=	D
83 - 86	=	B	60 - 62	=	D-
80 - 82	=	B-	0 - 59	=	F
77 - 79	=	C+			

Highest GPA
5.23

Lowest GPA
2.18

Median GPA
4.36

Top Decile Range
5.23-4.88

Link to Curriculum Guide: <https://olla.org/curriculumguide/curriculumguide.pdf>

ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAM

All students enrolled in AP courses are required to take AP exams.

- 2D Art and Design
- Art - Drawing Portfolio
- Art History
- Biology
- Calculus AB
- Comparative Government & Politics
- Computer Science A
- Computer Science Principles
- English Language & Composition
- English Literature & Composition
- Environmental Science
- European History
- French Language & Culture
- Macro Economics
- Physics 1: Algebra Based
- Physics 2: Algebra Based
- Psychology
- Spanish Language & Culture
- Spanish Literature & Culture
- Statistics
- United States Government & Politics
- United States History
- World History: Modern

DUAL ENROLLMENT AND ADVANCED COURSES

- DE Calculus
- DE Christian Living
- DE Honors Intro to Leadership
- DE Precalculus
- DE Social Justice
- DE Business Law
- DE Business & Entrepreneurship
- DE Calculus Honors
- DE English IV Honors Sem 1
- DE English IV Honors Sem 2
- DE Ethics and Morality
- DE Precalculus Honors
- DE Sacraments & Symbols
- DE Spanish Literature Honors
- DE United States History Honors
- Advanced Algebra II
- Advanced Calculus I with Analytical Geometry
- Advanced Geometry
- Advanced Precalculus with Analytic Geometry
- Advanced Topics Contemporary Drama
- Advanced Topics Contemporary Literature
- Advanced Topics Senior Research & Writing
- Advanced Topics Women Writers
- DE Advanced Topics Contemporary Drama
- DE Advanced Topics Contemporary Literature
- DE Advanced Topics Senior Research & Writing
- DE Advanced Topics Women Writers

2023 ADVANCED PLACEMENT AWARDS

AP Scholars.....	219
AP Scholars with Honor	36
AP Scholars with Distinction	54

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

	2021	2022	2023
National Merit Finalists	2	3	1
Commended Students	2	7	6
National Hispanic Scholars	8	112	78
National African American Scholars	0	2	1

THE BERNADETTE SCHOLARS PROGRAM

- The Bernadette Scholars Program is a highly selective program of study for our most intellectually gifted students.
- Bernadette Scholars are required to take the most challenging courses across the curriculum, while maintaining a 4.5 GPA. Leadership, Service and Externship opportunities are carefully curated to enhance their academic preparation for post-secondary success.

EXTRACURRICULARS & CO-CURRICULARS

Students at Our Lady of Lourdes Academy not only excel in the classroom but are also distinguished by their extracurricular success. Following are several of the accolades earned:

- Twice named the Best Female Athletic Program in Miami-Dade County (The Miami Herald)
- 2 Exploravision Regional Winners (Toshiba)
- Gold Ranking for Yearbook (Columbia Scholastic Press Association)
- Twice awarded the College Board's AP Computer Science Female Diversity Award

EXTERNSHIPS

Students also have the opportunity to participate in a robust externship program during school breaks.

Externships are brief (1-2 days) experiential learning opportunities that afford students with hands-on, real-world experiences that not only help solidify career interests before college, but also cultivate professional networks that can be invaluable long term.

COLLEGE ENROLLMENT 2020-2023

American University	Emerson College	Loyola Marymount University	Southern Methodist University	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Appalachian State University	Fairfield University	Loyola University New Orleans	Spring Hill College	University of Notre Dame
Babson College	Fashion Institute of Technology	Marymount Manhattan College	Tallahassee Community College	University of Pennsylvania
Baylor University	Flagler College	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	Texas Christian University	University of South Florida
Belmont Abbey College	Florida Atlantic University	Miami Dade College	The American University of Paris	(Main Campus)
Benedictine University	Florida International University	New York University	The Ohio State University	University of Wisconsin (Madison)
Bentley University	Florida State University	Northeastern University	The University of Alabama	Vanderbilt University
Boston College	Fordham University	Nova Southeastern University	Trinity College	Villanova University
Boston University	George Washington University	Parsons School of Design at The New School	Tulane University of Louisiana	Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Brown University	Georgetown University	Penn State University (University Park)	Universidad de Navarra	Wake Forest University
Catholic University of America	Georgia Institute of Technology	Pepperdine University	University of California (Berkeley)	Walsh University
Clemson University	Goucher College	Providence College	University of California (Los Angeles)	Washington University in St. Louis
Columbia University	Harvard University	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	University of Central Florida	Wellesley College
Cornell University	High Point University	Rollins College	University of East London	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Dartmouth College	IE University	Santa Clara University	University of Florida	Xavier University
Drexel University	Indiana University (Bloomington)	Santa Fe College	University of Miami	Yale University
Duke University	Johns Hopkins University	Savannah College of Art and Design	University of Michigan	
Duquesne University	Long Island University (Post)			
Elon University				