



POPE
FRANCIS
PREPARATORY
SCHOOL

PROFILE 2018-2019

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MISSION:

Pope Francis Preparatory School is a Catholic co-educational, college-preparatory school which instills Gospel values and fosters academic excellence in a diverse community of learners. Our mission is to challenge students to grow spiritually, intellectually, socially and physically to become critical thinkers and faith-based leaders who embody justice, peace, service and mercy in the global community.

LOCATION:

Pope Francis Preparatory School is located in the East Forest Park section of the city of Springfield, MA at 99 Wendover Road. Located in the Pioneer Valley of Western Massachusetts, the city of Springfield is the largest city in western New England, and the urban, economic, and cultural capital of Massachusetts' Connecticut River Valley. It is the third-largest city in Massachusetts and fourth-largest in New England after Boston, Worcester, and Providence. Pope Francis Preparatory School joins Springfield College, Western New England University, American International College, and Springfield Technical Community College among other educational institutions in calling Springfield their home. Pope Francis Preparatory School moved to its new state of the art facility on Wendover Road in September of 2018.

SCHOOL:

Pope Francis Preparatory School is a private, four-year co-educational, college preparatory high school of the Diocese of Springfield. It is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges and the Massachusetts Department of Education. Pope Francis High School was established in July of 2016 as the result of the merger of two diocesan high schools, Holyoke Catholic High School and Cathedral High School and changed its name to Pope Francis Preparatory School upon arriving at its current state-of-the-art facility in Springfield, MA. It is a regional high school serving students from thirty-four cities and towns. Students from all ethnic and religious backgrounds are accepted on the basis of standardized testing, grades, and interviews.

CAMPUS: The campus boasts a 122,000 square foot building situated on a 38-acre campus.

CURRENT ENROLLMENT:

Total:	337 (191 males/146 females)		
Seniors:	95	Juniors:	75
Sophomores:	86	Freshmen:	81

FACULTY:

Twenty-nine teachers
 Media/IT Specialist
 Two guidance counselors
 One college counselor
 One nurse

STUDENT-TEACHER RATIO: 10 to 1

CURRICULUM:

- Three instructional levels based on student ability and achievement: College Prep, Honors, and AP.
- Religion and art classes are heterogeneously grouped. In English, math, social studies, world languages and science, students are placed according to ability and performance. Several Virtual High School courses in a variety of disciplines
- Advanced Placement: 11 Classes Honors Program: 25 Classes
- Four years of religion Community Service Program
- Senior Internship Dual enrollment with Elms College
- Rotating modified block schedule Mission Programs

TRANSCRIPTS: GPA is computed using the following quality points. A minimum of 26 credits are required for graduation: four in English and math, three in science and social studies, and two years of the same foreign language. Religion is required during all four years, and health and wellness is an additional requirement for graduation.

As of the 2018/2019 academic year, Pope Francis Preparatory School has changed the grade reporting system to report semester grades. Mid semester grade reports are issued for the purposes of eligibility and to serve as a benchmark of progress and will be sent to colleges as a representative of the first quarter grade.

RANK IN CLASS: Academic standing is based on the quality point average.

GRADE	ADV. PL.	HONORS	COLLEGE PREP
100	5.7	5.2	4.7
99	5.6	5.1	4.6
98	5.5	5.0	4.5
97	5.4	4.9	4.4
96	5.3	4.8	4.3
95	5.2	4.7	4.2
94	5.1	4.6	4.1
93	5.0	4.5	4.0
92	4.9	4.4	3.9
91	4.8	4.3	3.8
90	4.7	4.2	3.7
89	4.6	4.1	3.6
88	4.5	4.0	3.5
87	4.4	3.9	3.4
86	4.3	3.8	3.3
85	4.2	3.7	3.2
84	4.1	3.6	3.1
83	4.0	3.5	3.0
82	3.9	3.4	2.9
81	3.8	3.3	2.8
80	3.7	3.2	2.7
79	3.6	3.1	2.6
78	3.5	3.0	2.5
77	3.4	2.9	2.4
76	3.3	2.8	2.3
75	3.2	2.7	2.2
74	3.1	2.6	2.1
73	3.0	2.5	2.0
72	2.9	2.4	1.9
71	2.8	2.3	1.8
70	2.7	2.2	1.7
69	2.6	2.1	1.6
68	2.5	2.0	1.5
67	2.4	1.9	1.4
66	2.3	1.8	1.3
65	2.2	1.7	1.2
64	2.1	1.6	1.1
63	2.0	1.5	1.0
62	1.9	1.4	0.9
61	1.8	1.3	0.8
60	1.7	1.2	0.7

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES: The Class of 2018 students applied to and were accepted at more than 150 schools. The following list is a sampling of those colleges/universities:

American International College	Nichols College
American University	Northeastern University
Assumption College	Norwich University
Babson College	University of Oregon
Bay Path University	Pace University, New York City
Bentley University	Pennsylvania State University
Boston College	Providence College
Boston University	Quinnipiac University
Bridgewater State University	Regis College
Bryant University	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
The Catholic University of America	University of Rhode Island
Clark Atlanta University	Roanoke College
Clark University	Rochester Institute of Technology
Clarkson University	Roger Williams University
University of Connecticut	Rutgers University - New Brunswick
University of Denver	Sacred Heart University
Denison University	Saint Anslem's College
Elms College	University of Saint Joseph
Emmanuel College	Saint Michael's College
Endicott College	Salve Regina University
Fairfield University	Savannah College of Art and Design
Fordham University	Siena College
George Mason University	Southern New Hampshire University
Georgetown University	Springfield College
Gettysburg College	St. Lawrence University
University of Hartford	Stonehill College
Hobart and William Smith Colleges	Stony Brook University
College of the Holy Cross	Suffolk University
Ithaca College	SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry
Johnson & Wales University (Providence)	Syracuse University
Lasell College	Temple University
University of Maine	The Ohio State University
Manhattan College	Tulane University
Marist College	Union College (New York)
Massachusetts College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences	United States Naval Academy
University of Massachusetts, Amherst	University of California, Davis
University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth	University of California, Santa Cruz
University of Massachusetts, Lowell	Wentworth Institute of Technology
Merrimack College	Wesleyan University
Montserrat College of Art	Western New England University
Mount Holyoke College	Westfield State University
New England College	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
University of New England	Worcester State University
University of New Haven	

