



ST. ANSELM'S

ABBAY SCHOOL

4501 South Dakota Avenue, NE
Washington, DC 20017

MISSION STATEMENT

St. Anselm's Abbey School is a Catholic, Benedictine community that nurtures the spiritual, personal and intellectual development of young men with demonstrated academic achievement through rigorous study of the liberal arts and sciences, preparing them for the demands of college and a life of learning and service to others.

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St. Anselm's Abbey School is accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. The School is a member of the National Catholic Education Association, the Association of Independent Schools of Greater Washington, the Association of Independent Maryland and DC Schools, and the National Association of Independent Schools.

ST. ANSELM'S ABBAY SCHOOL CLASS OF 2020 PROFILE

St. Anselm's Abbey School is a Catholic boys school of 257 students in grades 6-8 (Middle School) and 9-12 (Upper School). There are 167 students in the Upper School. The School is conducted by Benedictine monks of St. Anselm's Abbey and lay faculty. Founded in 1942, the School offers a rigorous classical liberal arts education and welcomes all students able to benefit from its programs regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or economic status. Thirty-six percent of all students receive financial aid. There are 37 students in the Class of 2020.

GPA DISTRIBUTION FOR THE CLASS OF 2020

GPA's are current as of September 2019. Fall Semester 2019 grades are issued in January 2020.

Range	Number of Students	% of Students
3.75 - 4.00*	18	49%
3.50 - 3.74	9	23%
3.25 - 3.49	5	14%
3.00 - 3.24	4	11%
2.75 - 2.99	1	3%

*11 seniors (27%) have a 4.00

The following standardized testing scores are current as of June 2019:

SAT REASONING TEST SCORES (34 Students)

Score	Verbal	Math
700 - 800	53%	53%
600 - 699	44%	38%
500 - 599	3%	9%
Average Scores	696	703

ACT TEST SCORES (17 Students)

Composite Score	Percentage of all ACT students
32 - 36	53%
28 - 31	47%

ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMINATIONS

The 37 students in the Class of 2020 have taken 189 AP exams. Ninety-two percent of scores are 3, 4, or 5. Sixty-five percent of scores are 4 or 5; with 33% a score of 5 and 30% a score of 4. Already, 92% of these students have earned AP Scholar standing or higher as follows:

Two AP Scholars with Distinction named National AP Scholars as juniors

AP Scholar Awards	Percentage of Class
AP Scholar with Distinction	54%
AP Scholar with Honors	16%
AP Scholar	22%

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

The school day consists of ten 40-minute periods. The Upper School (grades 9 through 12) is on a semester system.

Marking System and Related Procedures

<i>Letter Grade Equivalent</i>		<i>Unweighted GPA Equivalent</i>			
A	= 90-100	93-100	= 4.0	75	= 2.5
B	= 80-89	90	= 3.7	70	= 2.0
C	= 70-79	85	= 3.2	65	= 1.5
D	= 65-69	80-83	= 3.0	Below 65	= 0
F	= Below 65				

The grade point average is computed based on all courses in grades 9 through 12, with the exception of physical education. For the academic years 2014 through 2017, the lowest passing grade was 65. Starting with the academic year 2017-2018, a student must earn a final grade of 70 or higher to receive full passing credit for an academic course. Students who earn a final course grade between 65 and 69 are now required to remediate that course over the summer to bring the final grade up to a 70. Summer remediation is also required for students who earn a final grade that is lower than 65 but in such cases, successful remediation will only bring the final course grade up to a 65. Students who earn a final grade of 65 after summer remediation or who fail to successfully remediate a final grade between 65 and 69 will receive a Provisional Pass in that course.

OUR STUDENTS ARE NOT RANKED AS CLASS SIZE IS TOO SMALL FOR MEANINGFUL COMPARISON. ST. ANSELM'S DOES NOT WEIGHT ANY GRADES. HOWEVER, A WEIGHTED GPA SUMMARY IS PROVIDED ON THE SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT FOR COLLEGES WHICH REQUEST ONE. THE WEIGHTED GPA IS COMPUTED BY ADDING 0.5 TO ALL ACADEMIC COURSE GRADES.

St. Anselm's offers 26 Advanced Placement courses: Art History; Studio Art; Music Theory; Computer Science A; English Language and Composition; English Literature and Composition; European History; French Language; Spanish Literature; Spanish Language; Latin: Vergil/Caesar; Calculus AB; Calculus BC; Statistics; Biology; Chemistry; Environmental Science; Physics C (Mechanics and Electricity & Magnetism); Psychology; Economics (Macro and Micro); Comparative Government and Politics; U.S. Government and Politics; and U.S. History, and World History. Students are limited to FOUR AP COURSES PER SEMESTER. However, upon petition, a student may take a fifth AP course in a semester.

St. Anselm's has a rigorous curriculum. ALL ACADEMIC COURSES ARE ON AN HONORS LEVEL. The School provides a relatively set curriculum in Form III (Grade 9) and in Form IV (Grade 10) with few student selections. Students in Form V (Grade 11) choose some electives in order to fulfill course requirements. Form VI (Grade 12) students have more electives available in meeting course requirements.

All students take math, English, and religion courses through their senior year. All juniors take AP Language and Composition for one semester. For their remaining three semesters of English, juniors and seniors traditionally take at least two semesters of AP Literature and Composition, and some take one semester of a non-AP English elective. By the time a student has completed Form V, he will have taken chemistry, physics, and AP Biology on the high school level. Each student must complete at least two semesters each in American social studies and in fine arts in order to graduate.

Students begin Latin in Form I (Grade 7) and a modern foreign language — French, Spanish, or Arabic (added into this sequence in the 2014-2015 academic year) — in Form II (Grade 8). They continue with both Latin and the same modern language for a minimum of four years each. Students who enter St. Anselm's in Form III take a minimum of three years of a modern language and Latin.

ATHLETICS & ACTIVITIES

St. Anselm's offers a comprehensive athletic program at the Upper School level. Some teams accept all participants, while others require tryouts. Students compete in a variety of interscholastic sports: soccer, cross country, basketball, wrestling, swimming, baseball, tennis, track and field, fencing, golf, and lacrosse. St. Anselm's is a member of the Potomac Valley Athletic Conference (PVAC).

St. Anselm's also offers many co-curricular activities. Among them are the student newspaper, the *Priory Press*; the *Priory Perspective*, the school yearbook; Model United Nations; and *It's Academic*, the Quizbowl team. Musical groups include an orchestra, a jazz band, and a men's chorus. The School has a long tradition in theater. The dramatic troupe in the Upper School, the *Priory Players*, has been in continuous existence since 1946.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

The community service program plays an important part in the lives of juniors and seniors. All Form V and Form VI students spend each Tuesday morning volunteering in local hospitals, day-care centers, soup kitchens, nursing homes, food banks, and schools, for a total of 62 hours of service per year. Participation in the community service program is a requirement for graduation.

UPPER SCHOOL CURRICULUM

Please Note: This list is based upon the transcripts of the members of the Class of 2020. It does not necessarily reflect the course sequence for all students for the academic year 2019-2020.

Form III (Grade 9)

Algebra II
English: Literature and Composition (9)
AP World History I
Chemistry
Arabic II or I; French II or I; Spanish II or I
Latin II or Latin I
Religion
Speech (one semester)
Art (one semester)
Physical Education
Intramural Athletics

Form V (Grade 11)

Minimum course load: six courses

Pre-Calculus AB (full year) or
Pre-Calculus BC (fall) and AP Calculus BC I (spring)
AP Language and Composition (one-semester required)
AP Literature and Composition (various one-semester
electives)
Reading and Writing Poetry (one-semester elective)
ESOL
Fine Arts electives (see below)
AP French Language; AP Spanish Language; French IV
or French III; Spanish IV; Arabic IV or Arabic III; Latin
III; Latin Literature II & I
AP Biology
Science electives: AP Chemistry; AP Environmental
Science; Biotechnology; Independent Study in Science
(pass/fail) AP Computer Science A (elective); Robotics I &
II (electives)
Engineering electives (see below)
Christian Ethics
Social Studies electives (see below)
Independent Study in Humanities (pass/fail)
At least one team sport or Physical Education
independent study

Form IV (Grade 10)

Geometry
English: Literature and Composition (10)
ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) 10
AP World History II
Physics
French III or French II
Spanish III or II
Arabic III or II
Latin III or Latin II
Religion
Humanities
Physical Education
Intramural Athletics

Form VI (Grade 12)

Minimum course load: six courses

AP Calculus AB or BC; AP Statistics; Multi-variable Calculus
AP Literature and Composition (various one-semester
electives)
Reading and Writing Poetry (one-semester elective)
Fine Arts electives (see below)
Modern Language electives: AP French Language; French IV;
AP Spanish Literature; AP Spanish Language; Spanish IV;
Arabic IV; Latin Literature III
Science electives: AP Chemistry; AP Environmental Science;
AP Physics C (Mechanics and Electricity & Magnetism);
Biotechnology; Anatomy & Physiology; Independent Study
in Science (pass/fail)
AP Psychology (elective)
AP Computer Science A (elective); Robotics I & II (electives)
Engineering electives (see below)
Religion electives: Bioethics; Unity and Division in
Christianity; Science and Religion in Dialogue
Social Studies electives (see below)
Independent Study in Humanities (pass/fail)
At least one team sport or Physical Education
independent study

ELECTIVES FOR JUNIORS AND SENIORS

Social Studies: AP U.S. History; AP Economics (Macro and Micro); AP European History; AP U.S. Government and Politics; AP Comparative Government and Politics; International Relations; Latin American History (in English); Native American Studies; Physical Anthropology; U.S. Constitutional Law; U.S. History: 1876-1995; District of Columbia History

Fine Arts: AP Art History; AP Music Theory; AP Studio Art; Studio Art; History of Film; Men's Chorus; Acting

Engineering: Introduction to Engineering (Chemical, Civil, Electrical, or Mechanical)

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES FOR THE CLASSES OF 2017-2019

Albright College	Hampton University	Providence College (3)
American University (2)	Haverford College	Purdue University (4)
Amherst College (2)	Hillsdale College	Randolph-Macon College
Auburn University	Hobart and William Smith Colleges (3)	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (6)
Augsburg University	College of the Holy Cross (4)	University of Rhode Island
Babson College (2)	Howard University	Rhodes College
Bates College	University of Illinois at Urbana- Champaign (4)	Rice University
Baylor University	Illinois Institute of Technology	University of Richmond (4)
Belmont Abbey College	Indiana University at Bloomington (2)	Rochester Institute of Technology (11)
Belmont University	The University of Iowa (2)	University of Rochester (6)
Beloit College	James Madison University	Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
Bentley University	Johns Hopkins University	Rowan University
Binghamton University (2)	Juniata College	Rutgers University-New Brunswick
Boston College (8)	University of Kansas (2)	Saint John's University (MN)
Boston University (4)	Kenyon College (3)	Saint Joseph's University (PA) (4)
Bridgewater College	King's College London	Salisbury University (2)
Bucknell University	Lafayette College (6)	Savannah College of Art and Design
Butler University	Lawrence University	The University of Scranton (2)
University of California, Berkeley	Le Moyne College	Seattle University (2)
University of California, Davis (2)	Lehigh University (2)	Seton Hall University (2)
University of California, Irvine (2)	Louisiana State University	Sewanee: The University of the South (4)
University of California, Los Angeles (2)	Loyola University Maryland (5)	University of Southern California (6)
University of California, San Diego (2)	Loyola University New Orleans (10)	St. John's College
University of California, Santa Barbara (2)	Macalester College	St. John's University (NY) (4)
Carleton College (3)	Marquette University (3)	St. Mary's College of Maryland
Carnegie Mellon University (3)	University of Mary Washington	St. Olaf College (2)
Case Western Reserve University (14)	University of Maryland, Eastern Shore (2)	Stetson University
The Catholic University of America (4)	University of Maryland, Baltimore County (6)	Stevens Institute of Technology (2)
College of Charleston (4)	University of Maryland, College Park (20)	Swarthmore College
University of Chicago (3)	Marymount University (2)	Syracuse University (2)
Claremont McKenna College	University of Massachusetts, Amherst (2)	Temple University (2)
Clemson University (3)	McGill University (2)	University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Colgate University	McMaster University	The University of Texas, Austin
University of Colorado at Boulder (3)	Miami University, (OH) (6)	The New School
Cornell University (3)	University of Michigan (8)	University of Toronto (3)
Creighton University (2)	Middlebury College (2)	Towson University (3)
Dartmouth College	University of Minnesota, Twin Cities (3)	Trinity College (CT)
Davidson College (5)	University of Mississippi (2)	Tufts University (4)
University of Dayton (2)	Mount St. Mary's University	Tulane University (3)
University of Delaware	Muhlenberg College	Union College (NY) (2)
Denison University	University of New Hampshire at Durham	University of Bristol
Dickinson College (12)	New Jersey Institute of Technology	University of Glasgow
Drexel University (13)	New York University (3)	University of Utah
Duke University	University of North Carolina at Asheville	University of Vermont
Durham University	The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	Vanderbilt University
Earlham College	North Carolina State University	Vassar College (3)
Eckerd College (3)	Northeastern University (7)	University of Virginia
University of Edinburgh	Norwich University	Villanova University (6)
Elizabethtown College	University of Notre Dame (4)	Virginia Commonwealth University (3)
Elon University	Oberlin College (8)	Virginia Tech (6)
Emory University (4)	The University of Oklahoma (2)	University of Virginia (16)
Fairfield University	Old Dominion University (2)	Wabash College
Florida Institute of Technology (2)	Pennsylvania State University (7)	Wake Forest University
University of Florida (2)	University of Pennsylvania (2)	Washington and Lee University
Fordham University (14)	University of Pittsburgh (12)	Washington College
Franklin & Marshall College (4)	Pratt Institute (2)	Washington University in St. Louis (4)
Gannon University	Princeton University	Wentworth Institute of Technology
George Mason University (5)		Wesleyan University (3)
The George Washington University (2)		Whitman College
Georgetown University		Whittier College
Georgia Institute of Technology (5)		College of William and Mary (15)
Gettysburg College (5)		Wingate University
Goucher College (2)		University of Wisconsin, Madison (7)
Grinnell College (4)		Worcester Polytechnic Institute (5)
Hamilton College, NY (3)		Xavier University