

# Saint Mary's SCHOOL

You've got this.



You are going to do  
great things.

You want a place that  
unleashes your potential.





If you want to engage your mind, amplify your voice, develop your talent, and explore a city of possibilities, then Saint Mary's is for you.

At Saint Mary's School, you can immerse yourself in a wide variety of liberal arts subjects while exploring innovative electives like coding, bioscience, and women's detective fiction. With encouraging peers and faculty challenging you to break out of your comfort zone, you will innovate and collaborate as you

build valuable competencies, like critical thinking, communication, cross-cultural intelligence, and new media literacy.

Our location in vibrant downtown Raleigh opens doors to even more possibilities for learning through internships and partnerships with forward-thinking organizations. The complete Saint Mary's experience is filled with opportunities for learning, leadership, creativity, and personal growth that will serve you in college and beyond.

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# Dive in.



## LEARNING FOR LIFE

Your dream job may not even exist yet. But our integrated, innovative curriculum—emphasizing competencies like critical thinking, cross-cultural intelligence, new media literacy, and communication—will prepare you for whatever the future holds. Challenge yourself with Advanced Placement courses and electives, explore new interests through Independent Study and internships, and see things from different perspectives as you live and learn with girls from around the state, the country, and the world.

## IMMERSIVE LEARNING

Imagine learning from researchers at Duke University. Or meeting with entrepreneurs at HQ Raleigh to discuss collaboration and innovation in the workplace. At Saint Mary's you can do just that. Our integrated academic and student life programming offers you a truly immersive educational experience – in and out of the classroom. You will learn firsthand from experts in forward-thinking organizations like the University of North Carolina, N.C. State University, Chrysalis, District C, the Raleigh Youth Mission, and North Carolina Outward Bound, to name a few. Our quarterly seminars offer you even more real-world experience as you explore the areas of innovation, communication, social impact, and health and wellness. When it is all said and done, you will develop key competencies critical for your success in college and beyond.





# Look forward.

## PORTFOLIO FOR LIFE

We know you need to see and understand your progress. As a student at Saint Mary's, you will create a digital Portfolio for Life to give you a clear record of your learning and growth. It will be a resource to help you confidently talk about yourself and your accomplishments in college and throughout your adult life. Time is allotted each quarter for you to work alone and/or with your advisor on your portfolio, allowing you to reflect on your development of key competencies, assess your efforts, and celebrate your successes.

## YOUR CLASSROOM IN THE CITY

Our campus in the heart of North Carolina's dynamic capital, Raleigh, is just minutes away from renowned museums, theaters, and galleries; international festivals and conferences; civic and service opportunities; and much more. Plus, our location in the Research Triangle offers exceptional opportunities for you to meet and learn from experts in education, STEM, the arts, and entrepreneurship while engaging in real-world experiences at places like North Carolina Museum of Art and Cisco.

## PREPARING YOU FOR COLLEGE

Our commitment to prepare you for future success is twofold. First, we provide a rigorous curriculum that prepares you for college with relevant courses and cutting-edge electives. You'll build a strong academic foundation, while asking questions, making connections, and deepening your knowledge and understanding. Coupled with lots of round-the-clock opportunities on campus and off, you'll learn to take risks, be independent, and advocate for yourself.

The second part of our job is to help you find the colleges that best fit your academic profile, interests, and goals. Roughly 100 representatives from colleges and universities around the country visit our campus each year, giving you every chance to explore the many options available to you. And to make sure you're prepared for your interviews and essay writing, we weave college counseling into seminars at every grade level. Our 100% college acceptance rate stands as a testament to our dedication and your hard work.





# Challenge yourself.

## **CREATING TOMORROW'S LEADERS**

At Saint Mary's, you are encouraged to accept new challenges, stand up for what you believe in, and voice your opinion. Our many and varied leadership opportunities give you real-life training on managing conflict, exercising authority responsibly, and working as part of a team.

Whether it's running for class office or serving as a prefect, leading the campus chapter of the Human Rights Alliance, or organizing an environmental club outing, you will learn more about who you are and who you want to become.



## Saint Mary's Visual and Performing Arts

### Graphic Design and Digital Photography

Art I - IV

Art Portfolio

AP Drawing

AP 2-D Art and Design

Media Arts

Elementary-Advanced Dance

Orchesis Dance Theatre

Theatre Arts

Technical Theatre

Chorale

Chamber Choir

Chamber Music Program

Fundamentals of Music

Applied Music Instruction





## Saint Mary's Sports

Fall

Cross Country 


Field Hockey 


Golf 

Tennis 

Volleyball 


Winter


Basketball 


Swimming 

Spring

Lacrosse 

Soccer 

Softball 

Track and Field 

**VARSITY** 

**JUNIOR VARSITY** 

# Make history.

### LIFE AT SAINT MARY'S

Whether you're a boarding or day student, Saint Mary's School is your stepping stone to independence. Here, your family grows to include classmates and caring adults who walk alongside you in friendship and encouragement. You'll be assigned your own advisor as well as a "Saint Sister"—a student-mentor who can ease your transition and help you dive into life at Saint Mary's.

You'll discover the many benefits of our lively 24/7 campus community, including access to amazing facilities and resources late into the evening, fun weekend activities, and more than 30 clubs that align with your personal interests and ambitions. From theme dinners to dances to s'mores on the terrace, you'll be part of our traditions, new and old. Here, you will feel safe and supported as you spread your wings, take risks, and try new things.

### OUR EPISCOPAL HERITAGE

Our rich Episcopal heritage informs our values and calls us to respect the worth and dignity of every human being. Spiritual life on campus centers on our historic Saint Mary's Chapel. A student vestry works closely with our chaplain, who leads worship and spiritual formation programs. We gather for chapel twice a week and welcome guest speakers of different faiths and backgrounds. Our chaplain is available to the entire Saint Mary's School community for pastoral care, counseling, and spiritual guidance.

### INVESTING IN YOUR FUTURE

You are going to do great things. We can help you realize your potential at Saint Mary's with generous need-based financial aid and merit-based scholarships. Admission decisions are "need blind" and made independently of financial aid requests.

For more information on our financial aid packages, call our financial aid office at 919.424.4007.



## YOUR Classmates

**300**  
total students  
from 7 countries  
and 14 states

**51%**  
boarding students\*

**49%**  
day students\*

**32%**  
receive financial aid

**\$2 million+**  
need-based financial  
aid awarded annually

**100%**  
acceptance rate to  
four-year colleges

\*Percentages based on a  
three-year, rolling average.

## YOUR Classes

**8:1**  
student-to-faculty  
ratio

**13**  
students on  
average per class

**20**  
Advanced  
Placement (AP)  
courses offered

## YOUR Teachers

**80%**  
of faculty hold  
advanced degrees

**6**  
faculty members  
with PhDs

**16**  
years on average  
teaching

**10**  
years on average  
teaching at  
Saint Mary's

## YOUR Support System

**1-to-1**  
academic advising  
program

**32**  
faculty and staff  
members living  
on campus

**10,000+**  
alumnae around  
the world

## YOUR Kind of Fun

**30+**  
clubs and student  
organizations

**11**  
varsity and junior  
varsity sports

**2-3**  
hours from the beach  
and mountains

**20**  
minutes from  
Raleigh-Durham  
International Airport

**10**  
minute walk to North  
Carolina State Capitol,  
N.C. Museum of  
Natural Sciences,  
Contemporary Art  
Museum of Raleigh,  
and more



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Saint Mary's School is an independent, college-preparatory, Episcopal, boarding and day school serving girls in grades 9 through 12.