



Moorestown Friends School

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Profile 2017-2018

Founded in 1785 by members of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers), Moorestown Friends School is an independent, coeducational college preparatory day school for students in pre-school through twelfth grade, located in the center of historic Moorestown, New Jersey. Rooted in the Quaker principles of nonviolence, service, and respect for the individual, Moorestown Friends School is, in the words of its mission statement, “a community dedicated to educational excellence for a diverse student body, within an academically rigorous and balanced program emphasizing personal, ethical, and spiritual growth.”

ENROLLMENT: 716 students representing over 60 school districts within a 50-mile radius of campus:

Lower School enrollment: (pre-school – fourth): 206

Middle School enrollment: (fifth – eighth): 206

Upper School enrollment: (ninth – twelfth): 304

ADMISSIONS: A student’s ability to do college preparatory work is assessed through transcripts of prior work, teacher recommendations, and the Educational Records Bureau testing program. An interview with the student and family ensures compatibility with the principles and goals of Moorestown Friends School.

FINANCIAL AID: In 2017-2018, 29% of students in grades 1-12 received a total of \$2,940,955 in financial assistance. The average grant was \$15,643.

ACCREDITATION AND MEMBERSHIPS: Charter School, Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. Member of the National Association of Independent Schools, the Friends Council on Education, and the College Board.

FACULTY: 101 full- and part-time faculty; 46 upper school teachers, 76% of whom hold advanced degrees; 7:1 student/faculty ratio (upper school).

SIZE OF GRADUATING CLASS: 2018: 77 2017: 77 2016: 77

Typically, 98-100% of Moorestown Friends School graduates matriculate at four-year colleges and universities.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS: Total units must include a *minimum* of:

English: 4 years

World Language: through level III in one language

Mathematics: 3 years

History: 3 years

Science: 3 years

Arts: 2 electives in visual or performing arts

Community Service: 50 hours

In addition, students must complete courses in Computer Applications (new students only), Quakerism, Owing Up, Public Speaking, Peer Leadership (Grade 9), Leadership (Grade 10), World Religions (Grade 11), two courses in visual or performing arts, and one course in technology. Participation in physical education or health classes is required each term, as is an annual week-long Intensive Learning program and a month-long Senior Project.

A RIGOROUS PROGRAM: Moorestown Friends School provides a challenging, varied program of study for every student. Emphasizing critical thinking, strong writing, and quantitative reasoning skills, the curriculum offers students a broad array of Honors and Advanced Placement courses supplemented by an extraordinarily rich selection of electives. In keeping with the School's Quaker tradition, the moral and ethical underpinnings of intellectual inquiry and social action are stressed at every grade level.

HONORS/ADVANCED PLACEMENT CLASSES: Placement in Honors/AP classes is made upon recommendation of the faculty and based on previous academic performance. In most cases, students are unable to take AP classes until the 11th grade. Students in 11th and 12th grade must be approved to enroll in more than 3 AP classes.

CURRICULUM – Major Classes (C – College Preparatory, H – Honors, AP – Advanced Placement). Courses with no designation are college preparatory only.

<p><u>ENGLISH – 4 Required</u> English 9 English 10 English 11 (C & H) Creative Writing English Literature (AP) <i>Semester courses:</i> British Literature (H) - Fall Feminism in Literature - Fall Literary Mysteries - Fall Comparative Asian Literature - Fall Postcolonial Literature (H) - Fall Fiction into Film - Fall African-American Literature - Fall Classics Visions of Hell - Fall Romanticism (H) - Spring Science Fiction - Spring Lit. of the Islamic World - Spring Wilderness Literature - Spring Modernism (H) - Spring Scandinavian Literature - Spring Shakespeare - Spring Literature of War - Spring</p> <p><u>WORLD LANGUAGE – Through Level 3 Required</u> French I/II Accelerated French II (C & H) French III (C & H) French IV (C & H) French V (C & AP) Spanish I Spanish II (C & H) Spanish III (C & H) Spanish IV (C & H) Spanish V (C & AP) Chinese I/II Accelerated Chinese II (C & H) Chinese III (C & H) Chinese IV (C & H) Chinese V (C & AP)</p>	<p><u>MATHEMATICS – 3 Required</u> Geometry (C & H) Algebra II (C & H) Precalculus (C & H) Intro to Calculus Calculus AB (H & AP) Calculus BC (AP) Statistics (AP) Finance</p> <p><u>HISTORY - 3 Required</u> Modern World 9 United States 10 America & the World in the 20th Century (C & H) United States (AP) Comparative Government (H & AP) Economics (C & H)</p>	<p><u>SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING – 3 Required</u> <u>ALL ARE LAB SCIENCES</u> Biology I (C & H) Biology II (H) Biology (AP) Bionutrition/Nutrition Chemistry I (C & H) Chemistry II (H) Chemistry (AP) Physics 1 (C, H, & AP) Physics C - Electricity and Magnetism (AP) Physics II (H) Environmental Science (H & AP) Anatomy & Physiology (C & H)</p> <p><u>ARTS</u> Art Studio I Art Studio II (C & AP) Music Theory (AP)</p> <p><u>COMPUTERS AND TECHNOLOGY</u> Computer Science (AP) Computer Sci. Principles (H & AP) Communication and Media Technology I (C & H) Communication and Media Technology II (H)</p>
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MINOR CLASSES: Minor classes, worth 1 or 2 credits each, are not calculated into a student’s GPA. The courses typically meet three times in six days and are offered in the arts, mathematics, technology, English, Religion, science, world language/culture, history, service, and physical education. For most students two minor courses are required each semester. Seniors with two AP courses may elect to enroll in only one minor course.

THE CAPSTONE PROGRAM: The MFS Capstone Program challenges and inspires students wishing to pursue advanced study in a particular field. Beginning in the spring semester of junior year and running through the middle of senior year, participants produce scholarly work by engaging in independent research and/or creative development under the guidance of a MFS teacher/advisor. All projects culminate in a public demonstration. Students receive a High Pass, Pass, or Fail each semester.

INTENSIVE LEARNING: Field studies conducted for a week in the spring engage students in hands-on educational activities and service learning projects. Projects range from homelessness studies in the city of Philadelphia to service learning in Costa Rica, New Mexico, or Virginia. Students may also participate in language programs in France, China, Cuba, or Spain.

SENIOR PROJECT: In May seniors pursue a month-long, full-time internship in local businesses, social service agencies, health or research institutions, or arts and cultural organizations.

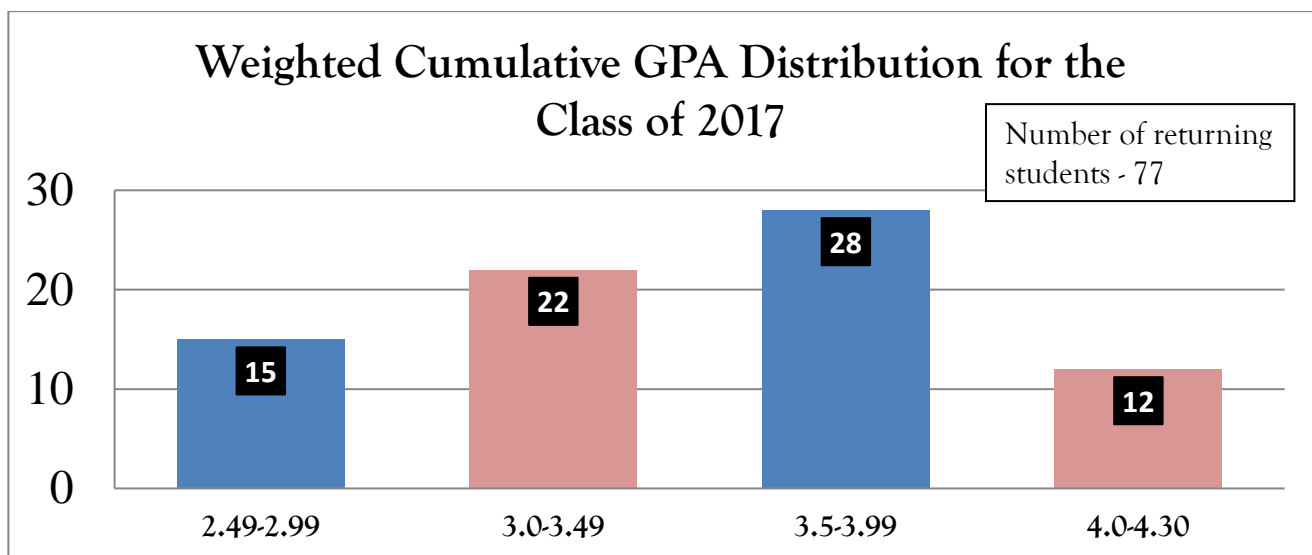
GRADING SYSTEM: Moorestown Friends School follows a semester calendar with grades reported quarterly. Cumulative grade point averages are calculated on a 4-point scale (A = 4.0; A+ = 4.3) and include *major academic courses only*. AP and Honors courses are weighted +.3 points when GPAs are calculated.

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

ACADEMIC HONORS: *Honor Roll:* Although we do not calculate class rank, students with an average of A- or better each quarter, and with no quarter or final exam grade below a C are named to the year-end Honor Roll.

Cum Laude Society: The highest-achieving students, to a maximum of 10% of the class, may be inducted into the *Cum Laude Society* as juniors. Eight members of the Class of 2018 were so honored. In the spring of senior year, additional students are inducted to a combined maximum of 20% of the class.

MEAN SAT SCORES:	Class of '17	Class of '16	Class of '15
Critical Reading	637	630	608
Math	631	628	623
Total	1268	1258	1231



COLLEGES CURRENTLY ATTENDED BY MOORESTOWN FRIENDS SCHOOL GRADUATES

American University	High Point University	The University of Scranton (2)
Arcadia University (5)	Howard University (4)	The University of Tampa
Barnard College (2)	Indiana Univ. at Bloomington	Trinity College
Bates College (2)	Ithaca College (6)	Tufts University
Bentley University (3)	James Madison University (3)	Tulane University (5)
Boston College (3)	Johns Hopkins University (5)	United States Coast Guard Academy
Boston University (3)	Lafayette College	University of California, Davis
Bowdoin College	Lehigh University (10)	University of California, Irvine
Brandeis University	Loyola University Maryland (2)	University of Chicago (3)
Bryn Mawr College (2)	McDaniel College	University of Colorado at Boulder
Bucknell University (4)	McGill University	University of Connecticut
Cabrini University	Millersville University of Pennsylvania	University of Delaware (9)
Cairn University	Montclair State University	University of Edinburgh
Case Western Reserve Univ.	Muhlenberg College (6)	University of Maryland, College Park (3)
Clemson University	New Jersey Institute of Technology	University of Mary Washington
Colby College (2)	New York Film Academy	University of Michigan (3)
College of Charleston (5)	New York University (11)	University of New Hampshire
College of William & Mary	Northeastern University (5)	University of Notre Dame
Columbia University (2)	Nova Southeastern University	University of Ontario Inst. of Technology
Cornell University (6)	Occidental College	University of Pennsylvania (2)
Davidson College	Pennsylvania State University (6)	University of Pittsburgh (4)
Delaware Valley University	Princeton University (2)	University of Rochester
Delta State University	Ramapo College of New Jersey	University of San Francisco
Dickinson College (2)	Rice University	University of Vermont (4)
Drew University (6)	Rochester Institute of Technology (2)	University of Virginia (2)
Drexel University (13)	Rowan College at Gloucester County	University of Washington
Duquesne University	Rowan University (4)	Ursinus College (2)
East Carolina University	Rutgers University, Camden (2)	Vanderbilt University (2)
Elon University (5)	Rutgers University, New Brunswick (7)	Vassar College
Emerson College	Saint Joseph's University (11)	Villanova University (2)
Emory University	Seattle University	Virginia Polytechnic University (3)
Fairleigh Dickinson University	Seton Hall University (2)	Wagner College
Flagler College	Spelman College	Wake Forest University (2)
Florida Atlantic University	St. Olaf College	Washington College
Franklin and Marshall College	Stanford University	Washington University in St. Louis
Gap Year (2)	Stockton University (2)	West Chester University of Pennsylvania
George Mason University	Swarthmore College	West Virginia University
Georgetown University	Syracuse University (4)	Widener University (2)
Gettysburg College	Temple University (3)	William Patterson Univ. of New Jersey
Goucher College (2)	The Catholic University of America	Xavier University of Louisiana
Hamilton College	The College of New Jersey (2)	Yale University
Harvard University	The George Washington University (9)	
Haverford College (2)	The University of Alabama	