

Our Lady of the Elms

2021-2022 Upper School Profile



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Enrollment

Current enrollment is 136. Our student body encompasses a five-county reach in Northeast Ohio. Elms students reflect diverse cultural, religious, ethnic and socio-economic backgrounds.

Student/Faculty Ratio: 6:1

Faculty

Our long-tenured faculty possess the ability to effectively teach college-preparatory curriculum with a special emphasis on instructing the minds of young women. All faculty are certified/licensed. Many faculty are recognized master teachers in their fields and 65% hold master's degrees or higher. The average years of service is nine years.

Academic Dean: Mr. Kevin Kelly, MS ED.

Sponsored by Dominican Sisters of Peace

Accreditation

- Ohio Department of Education
- Ohio Catholic School Accrediting Association
- State of Ohio College Preparatory School Charter

Member

- Dominican Association of Secondary Schools
- National Catholic Education Association

More Than 95 Years of Tradition

Our Lady of the Elms is an independent Catholic college-preparatory school founded by the Sisters of St. Dominic in 1923. The school is dedicated to meeting the intellectual, spiritual, social and personal needs of young women, grades 6 through 12. Immersed in the Dominican tradition of education, our graduates succeed. The 20 graduates of the class of 2021 received more than \$5.8 million in scholarships and awards, averaging \$289,735 per student.

Curriculum

The college-preparatory curriculum encourages young women to think critically and express themselves with confidence. Written and verbal skills are stressed across a core curriculum that features Math, Science, English/Literature, Theology, World Languages, Social Studies and Integrated Computer Technology. To graduate, Elms students complete a minimum of 25 credits. Furthermore, all students are required to perform community service during their tenure. Nine honors courses (listed on the reverse side) are also offered throughout the curriculum. Twelve Advanced Placement courses (listed on the reverse side) are also available, beginning sophomore year. Depending on the students' requests, some AP courses may be offered in alternate years. College Credit Plus is available.

Leadership at the Elms

Leadership is at the core of an Elms education. Leadership development begins in grades 6 through 8 and continues in grades 9 through 12. Students have numerous opportunities for involvement in Coalition (Student Council), various class and club officer positions and athletic leadership. Student leaders set goals each semester, receive coaching from moderators and participate in two leadership workshops per year. These workshops typically feature guest speakers and opportunities to further develop their leadership skills.

Grading Scale

The grade point average (GPA) includes all subjects for which credit is given. Students are not ranked. AP and Honors courses are weighted.

GRADE	LETTER	POINTS	HONORS	AP
93-100	A	4	4.5	5
85-92	B	3	3.5	4
78-84	C	2	2.5	3
70-77	D	1	1	1

Class of 2022 Top 25% GPA Range: 4.098 - 4.296

Standardized Test Results Class of 2021, during a global pandemic and with closed test sites.

SAT Test Results - 4 Students

	Top Decile	Middle 50%
Reading/Writing	690	610-660
Math	770	540-570

ACT Test Results - 20 Students

	Top Decile	Middle 50%
Composite	33-34	22-28

Graduation Requirements Units

Units	Units
English	4
Mathematics	4
World Language	2
(Same Language)	
Social Studies	3
(1 unit must be American History, 1 unit must be World History and ½ unit must be Government)	
Science (laboratory)	3
Health & Physical Education	1
Theology (one unit per year)	4
Fine Arts	1
Electives	2
Computer Technology	½
Independent Living	½

Education Plans

For the class of 2021, 100% were accepted and attended four-year colleges or universities. The class chose from more than 68 different college and university acceptances. 45% of the class chose to attend private colleges; 50% chose to attend in-state public colleges; 5% chose out-of-state public universities.

College Acceptances

Since 2017, Our Lady of the Elms graduates have been accepted to the following colleges and universities:

Allegheny College	Indiana University	Rutgers University	University of Illinois, Chicago
Appalachian State University	John Carroll University	Saint Louis University (Law Scholars)	University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
Arcadia University	Kalamazoo College	Saint Mary's College	University of Kentucky
Arizona State University	Kent State University	Saint Michael's College	University of Kentucky (Honors)
Art Academy of Cincinnati	Kent State University (B.S./M.D.)	Santa Monica College	University of Maine
Ashland University	Kent State University (Honors)	Savannah College of Art and Design	University of Massachusetts
Ave Maria University	Kenyon College	School of the Art Institute of Chicago	University of Miami
Baldwin Wallace University	La Roche University	Seton Hall University	University of Michigan
Bennington College	Lake Erie College	Sewanee University	University of Minnesota
Bowling Green State University	Lawrence University	Shawnee State University	University of Mississippi
Bradley University	Louisiana State University	Siena Heights University	University of Missouri
Capital University	Loyola University Chicago	Slippery Rock University	University of Mount Union
Capital University (Honors)	Loyola University Maryland	St. Bonaventure University	University of Mount Union (Honors)
Carlow University	Loyola University New Orleans	St. Louis University	University of New Hampshire
Case Western Reserve University	Malone College	St. Mary's College	University of Oregon
Cedarville University	Manhattan College	Stark State College of Technology	University of Pittsburgh
Chatham University	Malone University	Sweet Briar College	University of Pittsburgh (Honors)
Clarion University	Marietta College	Temple University	University of Rochester
Clemson University	Marquette University	The College of William & Mary	University of Saint Francis, Illinois
Cleveland State University	Marymount Manhattan College	The College of Wooster	University of Saint Francis, Indiana
Colgate University	Mercyhurst University	The George Washington University	University of St. Thomas
College for Creative Studies	Miami University, Oxford	The New School	University of San Diego
College of the Holy Cross	Miami University, Oxford (Honors)	The Ohio State University	University of Toledo
Colorado State University	Muskingum University	The Ohio State University (Honors)	University of Toledo (Honors)
Columbia College Chicago	New York Film Academy	The Ohio State University (Scholars)	University of Toronto
Connecticut College	New York University	The University of Akron	University of Vermont
Cornell University	Niagara University	The University of Akron (B.S./M.D.)	University of Washington
Cuyahoga Community College	Northeast Ohio Medical University	The University of Akron (Honors)	Ursinus College
Denison University	Northeastern University	The University of Arizona (Honors)	Ursuline College
DePaul University	Northern Illinois University	The University of Findlay	Valparaiso University
DePauw University	Northwestern University	The University of Iowa	Vanderbilt University
Drew University	Notre Dame College	The University of Tampa	Villanova University
Drexel University	Notre Dame College of Ohio	Thiel College (Dietrich Honors Institute)	Walsh University
Duquesne University	Oberlin College	Thomas Aquinas College	Washington and Lee University
Duquesne University (Honors)	Oberlin Conservatory of Music	Tulane University	Wellesley College
Emerson College	Oglethorpe University	University of Buffalo	Wells College
Emory University	Ohio Dominican University	University of California, Davis	West Virginia University
Fordham University	Ohio Northern University	University of California, Irvine	Western New England University
Franciscan University of Steubenville	Ohio Northern University (PhD Pharmacy)	University of California, Santa Barbara	Wheeling Jesuit University
Franklin and Marshall College	Ohio University	University of Chicago	Wilmington College
Gannon University	Ohio University (Honors)	University of Cincinnati	Wilson College
Georgetown University	Ohio Wesleyan University	University of Colorado	Wittenberg University
Heidelberg University	Ohio Wesleyan University (Honors)	University of Dayton	Wittenberg University (Honors)
High Point University	Pennsylvania State University	University of Dayton (Honors)	Muskingum University
Hillsdale College	Pratt Institute	University of Delaware (Honors)	Xavier University
Hiram College	Providence College	University of Denver	Xavier University (Honors)
Hocking College	Quinnipiac University	University of Mount Union	Youngstown State University
Hofstra University	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	University of Guelph	Youngstown State University (BS/MD Program)
			Youngstown State University (Honors)

Advanced Placement Program

The Advanced Placement Program is sponsored by the National College Board to encourage gifted and motivated high school students to take AP classes and, through testing, be eligible to receive college credit for specific courses. Our Lady of the Elms offers AP courses in Literature, U.S. Government & Politics, Comparative Government & Politics, U.S. History, World History, Statistics, Biology, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Chemistry, Physics 1 and Physics 2. In addition, students have participated in an Independent Study in AP Spanish and French.

Advanced Placement Highlights

- Class of 2021 - 1 Scholar with Distinction, 1 with Honor, 2 Scholars
- Class of 2021 - 75% of Elms AP students earned a 3, 4 or 5 on their AP exams and qualified for college credit
- On average, 52 individual tests are administered each year

Honors Courses Offered

English (9, 10, 11, 12), Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Algebra 2/Trigonometry and World History

National Merit and College Board Recognition

For 49 years, Elms students have been recognized by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation. Over the years, the percentage of the senior class recognized has ranged from 2% to 19%. During this time, our students have been named as Finalists, Merit Scholar designees, Commended Students, National Achievement Scholars, and National Hispanic Scholars. The class of 2021 has one student who has been named a National Merit Finalist. In 2022, we have one student who has been named National Merit Commended Student and two who have been named National African American Scholars.

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