

OUR LADY OF THE ELMS

2011-12 HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE



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Enrollment: Current enrollment is 185. 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: 10:1

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 60% hold master's degrees or higher. Greater than one-third of our faculty have been on staff longer than 10 years.

Principal: Miss Lisa Massello, MA, MS, MA

Sponsored by Dominican Sisters of Peace

Accreditation:

- Ohio Department of Education
- AdvanED (formerly known as North Central Association Commission on Schools)
- Ohio Catholic School Accrediting Association
- State of Ohio College Preparatory School Charter

Member:

- Dominican Association of Secondary Schools
- National Catholic Education Association

Over Eighty 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 7 through 12. Immersed in the Dominican tradition of education, our graduates succeed. The 42 graduates of the class of 2011 received over \$6.7 million in scholarships and chose from over 181 college acceptances.

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, Religious Studies, 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. Honors courses (noted on the transcript) are offered throughout the curriculum. Advanced Placement courses are offered in American and European History, U.S. Government & Politics, Comparative Government & Politics, Biology, Physics, Chemistry, Calculus, and English Literature. (Depending on students' requests some AP courses may be offered in alternate years, including French, Spanish, and Latin.) A post-secondary option is available.

Leadership at the Elms

Leadership is at the core of an Elms education. Leadership development begins in 7th, 8th, and 9th grade and continues through their high school years. Students have numerous opportunities for involvement through Coalition (Student Council), class officer positions, various club officer roles, and athletic leadership.

Student leaders set goals each semester, receive coaching from moderators and participate in their leadership evaluation each semester. Student leaders at the Elms participate in two leadership workshops per year. These workshops typically feature guest speakers and opportunities to further develop their leadership skills.

% of National Merit Semi-Finalists and Commended Students

- 19% of the Class of 2011 received National Merit Recognition
- All Elms Semi-Finalists between 1995 - 2009 have gone on to earn National Merit Finalist awards.

Graduation Requirements	Units
English-----	4
Mathematics-----	4
World Language-----	2
(Same language)	
Social Studies-----	3
(One unit must be American History and .5 unit must be Government)	
Science-----	3
Health & Physical Education-----	1
Theology-----	4
(One unit each year)	
Fine Arts-----	1
(At least one unit in performing or visual arts)	
Electives-----	2 1/2
Computer Technology-----	1/2

Grading Scale				Standardized Test Data			
The grade point average (GPA) includes all subjects for which credit is given. Students are not ranked. Only AP courses are weighted.				ACT			
				Class of 2011 - 40 students			
				Middle 50% Composite			
				Elms----- 23-29			
				National-----21-28			
				SAT I			
				Class of 2011 - 38 students			
				Middle 50%			
				Reading Math Writing			
				Elms 540-690 520-610 540-710			
				Ohio 470-610 470-620 450-590			
				National 420-580 430-600 420-570			
Class of 2012 Top 25% GPA Range: 3.81 - 4.14							

Educational Plans

For the class of 2011, 100% were accepted at four-year colleges or universities and the class received merit scholarships totaling over \$6.7 million.

College Acceptances

Over the last five years, Elms students have been accepted at most Ohio colleges and universities. Out-of-state colleges and universities where students have been accepted include:

Albion College, MI
Alfred University, NY
Allegheny College, PA
American University, DC
Appalachian State University, NC
Baylor University, TX
Ball State University, IN
Belmont Abby College, NC
Bennington College, VT
Boston College, MA
Boston University, MA
Bryn Mawr, PA
Bucknell University, PA
Butler University, IN
Canisius College, NY
Carlowe University, PA
Carlton College, MN
Catholic University of America, DC
Colgate University
College of the Holy Cross, MA
Connecticut College, CT
Cornell University, NY
DePaul University, IL
DePauw University, IN
Drexel University, PA
Duquesne University, PA
Earlham College, IN
Fordham University, NY
Gannon University, PA
Georgetown University, DC
George Washington University, DC
Georgia Southern University, GA
Grinnell College, IA

Grove City College, PA
Illinois Wesleyan University, IL
Indiana University, IN
Ithaca College, NY
Lake Forest College, IL
Loyola of Chicago, IL
Loyola College, MD
Loyola University of New Orleans, LA
La Roche College, PA
La Salle University, PA
Macalester College, MN
Marquette University, WI
Marymont University, VA
Mercyhurst, PA
Michigan State University, MI
Michigan Tech University, MI
New College of Florida
New York University
Northeastern University, MA
Northwestern, IL
Penn State University, PA
Purdue University, IN
Regis University, CO
Roanoke College, VA
Rochester Institute of Technology, NY
Saint Bonaventure University, NY
Saint John's University, NY
Saint Louis University, MO
Saint Mary's College, IN
Saint Michael's College, VT
Saint Peters College, NJ
Savannah College of Art & Design, GA
Seton Hall, NJ

Siena College, NY
Slippery Rock University, PA
Smith College, MA
Spelman College, GA
Stonehill College, MA
Syracuse University, NY
Thiel College, PA
Tufts University, MA
Tulane University, LA
Union College, NY
University of Chicago, IL
University of Connecticut, CT
University of Kentucky, KY
University of Michigan, MI
University of Missouri, MO
University of North Carolina, NC
University of Notre Dame, IN
University of Pittsburgh, PA
University of Richmond, VA
University of Rochester, NY
University of San Francisco, CA
University of Virginia, VA
Valpariso University, IN
Villanova University, PA
Wake Forest University, NC
Washington & Jefferson College, PA
Washington & Lee University, VA
Washington University, MO
Wellesley College, MA
Wells College, NY
Wesleyan College, GA
Western Michigan, MI

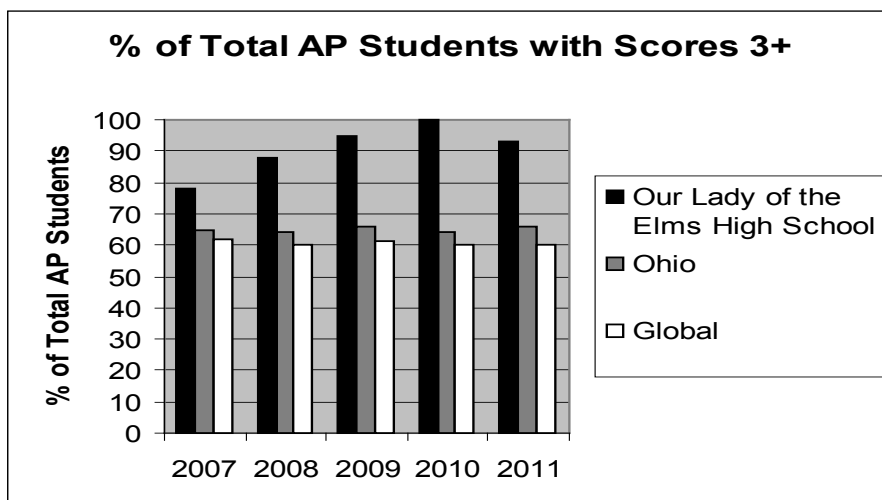
Advanced Placement Program

The Advanced Placement Program is sponsored by the National College Board to encourage gifted and motivated high school students to take AP classes in high school 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, European History, Calculus (AB), Biology, Chemistry, and Physics. In addition, students have participated in an Independent Study in AP Spanish and French.

AP Highlights:

- On average, greater than 85% of seniors taking Advanced Placement tests qualify for college credit.
- To be eligible for college credit, a student must score between 3-5 on each test.
- In 2011, 93% of Elms AP students earned a 3, 4, or 5 on their AP exams.
- On average, at least 50 individual tests are administered yearly.
- Currently 100% of students taking the AP US History, AP Chemistry, AP English Literature, AP European History, AP World History exams qualified for college credit.



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