

Our Lady of the Elms

2023-2024 Upper School Profile



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Enrollment

Current High school enrollment is 77. 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: 4:1

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 70% 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

Celebrating 100 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 5 through 12. Immersed in the Dominican tradition of education, our graduates succeed. The 17 graduates of the class of 2023 received more than \$3.8 million in scholarships and awards, averaging \$222,536 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 Speech. 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. Fourteen 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.

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 2024 Top 25% GPA Range: 3.88 - 4.259

Standardized Test Results Class of 2023, during a global pandemic and with many colleges remaining test optional.

ACT Test Results - 16 Students

	Top Decile	Middle 50%
Composite	28-33	20-25

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Graduation Requirements 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
Speech	½
Independent Living	½

Education Plans

For the class of 2023, 100% were accepted and 94% attended four-year colleges or universities; 6% chose to attend a community college. The class chose from more than 103 different college and university acceptances. 59% of the class chose to attend private colleges; 41% chose to attend in-state public colleges; 29% chose out-of-state public universities.

College Acceptances

Since 2019, Our Lady of the Elms graduates have been accepted to the following colleges and universities:

Alabama A & M University	Hillsdale College	Quinnipiac University	University of Dayton (Honors)
Allegheny College	Hiram College	Regent University	University of Delaware (Honors)
American University	Hollins University	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	University of Guelph
Arizona State University	Indiana University at Bloomington	Ringing College of Art & Design	University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
Arizona State (Honors College)	John C Calhoun State Community College	Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology	University of Kentucky
Art Academy of Cincinnati	John Carroll University	Saint Francis University	University of Louisville
Ashland University	Johnson & Wales University-Providence	Saint Louis University (Law Scholars)	University of Maine
Ave Maria University	Kent State University	Saint Mary's College	University of Massachusetts, Boston
Baldwin Wallace University	Kent State University (Honors)	Saint Michael's College	University of Miami
Biola University	Kenyon College	Santa Monica College	University of Michigan
Bowling Green State University	La Roche University	Savannah College of Art and Design	University of Minnesota
Bridgewater College	La Salle University	School of the Art Institute of Chicago	University of Mississippi
Bryn Mawr College	Louisiana State University	School of Visual Arts	University of Mount Union
Butler University	Lourdes University	Shawnee State University	University of Mount Union (Honors)
Capital University	Loyola University Chicago	Siena Heights University	University of New Hampshire at Durham
Capital University (Honors)	Macalester College	Slippery Rock University	University of North Carolina Wilmington
Case Western Reserve University	Malone University	Smith College	University of Oregon
Chatham University	Manhattan College	Spelman College	University of Pittsburgh
Clarion University	Marietta College	St. Bonaventure University	University of Pittsburgh (Honors)
Clemson University	Marquette University	St. Louis University	University of Rhode Island
Cleveland Institute of Art	Marymount Manhattan College	St. Mary's College	University of Rochester
Cleveland State University	Mercyhurst University	Stark State College	University of Saint Francis, Illinois
Coastal Carolina University	Miami University, Oxford	Stark State College of Technology	University of Saint Francis, Indiana
College for Creative Studies	Miami University, Oxford (Honors)	Stetson University	University of Saint Thomas
College of the Holy Cross	Michigan State University	Syracuse University	University of South Carolina-Columbia
Colorado State University	Muskingum University	Temple University	University of Toledo
Columbus College of Art and Design	Muskingum University	The College of William & Mary	University of Toledo (Honors)
Concordia University-Irvine	New York University	The College of Wooster	University of Toronto
Cornell University	Niagara University	The George Washington University	University of Vermont
Culinary Institute of America	North Carolina Central University	The Ohio State University	University of Washington
Cuyahoga Community College	Northeast Ohio Medical University	The Ohio State University (Honors)	Ursuline College
Denison University	Northeastern University	The Ohio State University (Scholars)	Valparaiso University
DePaul University	Northwestern University	The University of Akron	Virginia Commonwealth University
DePauw University	Notre Dame College of Ohio	The University of Akron (Honors)	Walsh University
Drew University	Oberlin College	The University of Alabama	Washington University in St. Louis
Drexel University	Oberlin Conservatory of Music	The University of Arizona (Honors)	Wellesley College
Duquesne University	Oglethorpe University	The University of Findlay	Wells College
Duquesne University (Honors)	Ohio Dominican University	The University of Iowa	West Virginia Wesleyan College
Eastern Michigan University	Ohio Northern University	The University of Tampa	Western New England University
Emory & Henry College	Ohio University	Thiel College	Westminster College
Emory University	Ohio University (Honors)	Thomas Aquinas College	Wheeling Jesuit University
Flagler College	Ohio Wesleyan University	Tiffin University	Wichita State University
Florida Southern College	Ohio Wesleyan University (Honors)	University of Buffalo	Wittenberg University
Fordham University	Oregon State University	University of California, Davis	Wittenberg University (Honors)
Franciscan University of Steubenville	Otterbein University	University of California, Irvine	Xavier University
Gannon University	Pacific University	University of Chicago	Xavier University (Honors)
George Fox University	Pennsylvania State University	University of Cincinnati	Xavier University of Louisiana
Grove City College	Pratt Institute	University of Cincinnati (Honors)	Youngstown State University
Heidelberg University	Purdue University	University of Colorado, Boulder	Youngstown State University (BS/MD Program)
High Point University	Purdue University (Honors)	University of Dayton	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 and Politics, Comparative Government & Politics, U.S. History, World History, Statistics, Biology, Pre-Calculus, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Chemistry, Physics 1, Physics 2, and Art. In addition, students have participated in an Independent Study in AP Spanish and French.

Advanced Placement Highlights

- Class of 2023 & 2024 - 4 with Honor, 1 Scholar
- Class of 2023 & 2024 - 81% of Elms AP students earned a 3, 4, or 5 on their AP exams and qualified for college credit
- On average, 45 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 50 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 2024 has one student who has been named National Merit Commended Student, and the class of 2023 is represented by a student who has been named National African American Scholar.