

Villa Maria Academy Highlights

2011 Accomplishments

- ***Tri-M Music Honor Society named Chapter of the Year in International Competition.***
- ***Mock Trial District Champions.***
- ***5 students recognized as Champions of Caring for outstanding leadership, character, and service.***
- ***Art teacher, Kate Brown received Citadel heart of Learning Award for Chester County.***
- ***PIAA State Swim Champions.***
- ***District 1 Basketball, Field Hockey, and Soccer Champions.***
- ***During the summer of 2011, 29 students participated in a summer service project in El Salvador.***
- ***Maurene Polley was named to the National Field Hockey Coaches' Hall of Fame.***

Academics

- Villa Maria had 136 AP students, 78% scoring a 3 or better, and 33 AP Scholars. All students enrolled in AP classes *must* take the AP exams.
- There were 3 National Merit Semi-finalist, 3 National Merit Finalists, and 5 National Merit Commended Students.
- 44% of the Class of 2011 (106 students) were members of the National Honor Society (earned GPA of 3.80 or higher).
- 78% of Villa Maria students participated in our schools scholastic fine arts program.
- Villa Maria Academy has a 4.0 grading scale of which an average of 70% of students earned a GPA of 3.5 or better.
- 100% of seniors were accepted into 145 colleges and earned a total of \$12.7 million in merit scholarships.

Faculty

- Villa Maria Academy`s faculty and staff total 60 educators including 8 IHM Sisters, 43 laywomen, and 9 laymen.

- 39 faculty members have earned master`s degrees; 40 faculty members hold multiple master`s degrees; and 4 faculty members have been awarded doctorate degrees.
- The student to faculty ratio is 7 to 1 with an average class size of 17, not exceeding 20 students.

Music

- Villa Maria Academy offers 5 music ensembles and instructions of 20 instruments.
- The Music Department has an artist faculty of 10 who are specialists in their respective areas and give our students private lessons during the school day.
- Chapter 1227 of the Tri-M Music Honor Society has captured more International titles than any other chapter in the history of the organization, with a record-breaking number of 1st place awards for their service to the school and the greater community.
- As a result of competitive auditions, Villa Maria has had the most student members in the All-Catholic Orchestra from any one school for over 15 years, as well as a large membership in the All-Catholic Band and Chorus.
- Each year, Villa Maria has representatives in the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association's District Band, Orchestra, and Chorus, which has lead to participation in Region-State and All-State groups.

Athletics

- Villa Maria`s coaches bring stability and experience to our athletic program. Most of the coaches have been coaching at Villa Maria for 10 years or more.
- Villa Maria captured 40 District 1 Championships in Cross Country, Field Hockey, Soccer, Volleyball, Basketball, Swimming, Softball, and Track & Field.
- Villa Maria has captured five State Championships in Field Hockey, Volleyball, and Swimming.
- Villa Maria has had seven coaches that were named "Coach of the Year." The coaches represented the following sports: Cross Country, Field Hockey, Soccer, Tennis, Volleyball, Basketball, and Swimming.
- Over half of our students participate in Villa Maria's Athletic Program and one-third of those students participate in more than one sport.
- Villa Maria Student Athletes' names appear on college rosters across the country. Presently, these athletes are participating in the following athletic programs: Yale University, University of Richmond, Wake Forrest, University of Connecticut, Villanova University, Penn State University, The Naval Academy, Temple University, St. Joseph University, Quinnipiac University, and University of Delaware.