



Abington Friends School

PROFILE 2019-2020

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Abington Friends School, founded in 1697, is an independent co-ed Quaker college-preparatory school for students age 3 through grade 12. In a culture of intellectual and creative ambition we cultivate fearless, curious learning. Engaged and purposeful in every moment, students leave AFS with clear, strong and thoughtful voices, prepared for lives of meaning and accomplishment. Total enrollment (562) is divided among Early Childhood (3 year-old-4 year-old, 32), Lower School (K-4, 128), Middle School (5-8, 145), and Upper School (9-12, 257).

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

- 4 years of English
- 3 years of history
- 3 years of mathematics
- 3 years of the same foreign language
- 3 years of laboratory science
- 3 courses in the visual and performing arts
- 1 course in 9th and 12th grade of health Physical Education in 9th and 10th grades
- 1 course of 10th Grade Seminar

Students are expected to go beyond minimum requirements in their areas of concentration. All students are expected to pass the equivalent of five courses each semester, with at least four core academic courses (English, history, Java, language, math, philosophy, science, and advanced art). Students who schedule more than six courses in a semester must have their rosters reviewed and approved by the Directors of Studies.

Qualified students may arrange for an independent study course, not, however, to fulfill core requirements. If deemed necessary and appropriate, it may be recommended by the Director of Studies, the Upper School Director and the corresponding department chair that a student take one course on a pass/fail basis. In order to receive a grade of pass, the student must achieve a C- or higher.

MARKING SYSTEM

- A Advanced achievement and originality
- B Highly competent work
- C Satisfactory performance
- D Unsatisfactory but passing; with credit
- F Failure
- W Withdrawn

RANK IN CLASS

Abington Friends School does not determine or report class rank. Students' cumulative grade-point averages appear on their end-of-year reports and on their transcripts in June. All courses are college preparatory. Pass-fail grades do not affect a student's GPA.

GRADE POINT AVERAGE

Abington Friends School calculates a student's GPA including all courses except 10th Grade Seminar, Health and Physical Education. A 4.0 scale is used for regular courses while Honors and Advanced Placement courses are weighted on a 5.0 scale.

		REGULAR	HONORS/AP
A	(93-100)	4.00	5.00
A-	(90-92)	3.70	4.63
B+	(87-89)	3.30	4.13
B	(83-86)	3.00	3.75
B-	(80-82)	2.70	3.38
C+	(77-79)	2.30	2.87
C	(73-76)	2.00	2.50
C-	(70-72)	1.70	2.13
D+	(67-69)	1.30	1.63
D	(63-66)	1.00	1.25
D-	(60-62)	.70	.88

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

The following distribution table reflects all AP scores earned by Abington Friends School students in May 2019.

	5	4	3	2	1	TOTAL
Biology	2	9	7	1	0	19
Calculus AB	10	5	2	2	1	20
Calculus BC	10	3	0	0	0	13
Chemistry	1	0	2	2	1	6
English Literature	7	1	4	2	0	14
French Language	0	3	1	1	0	5
Physics C-Mech	5	5	0	0	0	10
Spanish Language	6	2	1	0	0	9
Statistics	5	4	13	3	4	29
Studio Art	2	2	1	0	0	5
US History	6	5	1	1	0	12

STANDARDIZED TEST SCORES

The following distribution tables reflect the middle 50% of all SAT and ACT scores reported to Abington Friends School by members of the Class of 2017, 2018 and 2019.

	<u>Count</u>	<u>Reading</u>	<u>Math</u>	<u>Combined</u>		<u>Count</u>	<u>ACT Composite</u>
2019	49	580-690	530-750	1120-1420	-	18	21-30
2018	37	530-660	520-670	1040-1320		24	22-29
2017	59	570-690	540-710	1120-1400		36	24-30

GRADE DISTRIBUTION

Below are the grades earned in the 2018-2019 academic year by the 69 members of the Class of 2020.

	<u>A</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
ENGLISH						
English 11	15	30	7	2	0	
AP English 11	6	9	0	0	0	69
	30%	57%	10%	3%		
HISTORY						
AP U.S. History	6	4	1	0	0	
Class Matters: Social Inequalities in the U.S. Economics and Society	1	7	0	0	0	
From Fallen Timbers to Standing Rock	6	3	0	0	0	
Gender and Sexuality in the 20th Century	9	4	0	0	0	
Partisan Politics: Peril or Promise	6	9	0	0	0	
Philadelphia History	5	10	0	0	0	
The U.S. and Latin America	2	9	3	0	0	
	3	4	0	0	0	92
	41%	55%	4%	0%	0%	
SCIENCE						
AP Chemistry	3	0	0	0	0	
Advanced Physics	1	3	0	0	0	
Bioethics	3	1	0	0	0	
Biology	3	23	9	1	0	
Honors Biology	12	13	2	0	0	
Chemistry	1	1	0	0	0	
Physics A	1	0	0	0	0	
Physics G	1	1	0	0	0	79
	32%	53%	14%	1%	0%	
MATHEMATICS						
Algebra II	5	10	7	0	0	
AP Calculus AB	7	2	0	0	0	
AP Calculus BC	2	0	0	0	0	
AP Statistics	3	2	0	0	0	
CAD with an Intro to Engineering	1	0	0	0	0	
Honors Algebra II	1	1	1	0	0	
Honors Precalculus	0	6	2	0	0	
Introductory Calculus	2	0	0	0	0	
Precalculus	15	8	0	0	0	
Trigonometry/Advanced Functions	1	0	0	0	0	76
	49%	38%	13%	0%	0%	
MODERN AND CLASSICAL LANGUAGE						
Advanced French Language V	1	0	0	0	0	
Advanced Spanish Language V	1	0	0	0	0	
French: Conversation and Culture	1	2	2	0	0	
French III	2	1	0	0	0	
Honors French II	1	1	0	0	0	
Honors French III	1	0	0	0	0	
Honors French IV	7	0	0	0	0	
Spanish: Conversation and Culture	2	8	0	0	0	
Honors Spanish II	2	0	0	0	0	
Honors Spanish III	1	0	0	0	0	
Honors Spanish IV	8	0	0	0	0	
Spanish II	0	1	1	0	0	
Spanish III	7	4	0	0	0	54
	63%	31%	6%	0%	0%	
TOTALS	42%	48%	9%	1%	0%	370

This list shows all options that were available each year to the Class of 2020.

Course descriptions are available in the Curriculum Guide on our website.

<https://www.abingtonfriends.net/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/AFS-Upper-School-Curriculum-Guide-19-20.pdf>

Bold indicate the most demanding courses in each discipline.

ENGLISH: Honors courses are offered beginning with 9th Grade

Grade 9: English 9: Introduction to Literature

Grade 10: English 10: Themes in World Literature

Grade 11: English 11: American Voices, **English Literature (Advanced Placement)**

Grade 12: Senior Writing and Electives

Electives: Memoir and Autobiography, Reading and Writing Poetry, Reading and Writing the Short Story, Writing for Stage and Screen

HISTORY: Honors courses are offered beginning with 9th Grade

Grade 9: History 1: Industrialization and the Modern World

Grade 10: History 2: The 20th Century Global Acceleration

Grade 11&12: **United States History (Advanced Placement)**

Electives: Class Matters: Social Inequalities in the U.S., Economics and Society, Gender and Sexuality Diversity in the 20th Century, From Fallen Timbers to Standing Rock, Latin American History, Modern Africa: Colonization to the Present, Modern China, Philadelphia History, Politics and Protest, Presidential Politics, Roman Empire, Roman Republic

SCIENCE: Honors courses are offered beginning with 10th Grade

Grade 9: Physics

Grade 10: Chemistry

Grade 11&12: Biology, **Advanced Biology, Advanced Chemistry, Advanced Physics (Advanced Placement)**

Electives: Bioethics, Environmental Science

FOREIGN LANGUAGE: Honors courses are offered beginning with Level II in French and Spanish

French I, II, III, IV, **V (Advanced Placement)**, French Conversation and Culture I and II

Spanish I, II, III, IV, **V (Advanced Placement)**, Spanish Conversation and Culture I and II

MATHEMATICS: Honors courses are offered beginning with Geometry

Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, Trigonometry and Advanced Functions, Precalculus, Introductory Calculus, AP Calculus AB,

AP Calculus BC, AP Statistics, Multivariable Calculus

Electives: Computer Aided Design with an Introduction to Engineering

COMPUTER SCIENCE

Java Programming I and II

NON DEPARTMENTAL COURSES:

Publications/Yearbook, Philosophy: Morality & Ethics, Philosophy: Epistemology & Metaphysics

10th SEMINAR / HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION

ARTS

Performing Arts

Chorus

Chamber Singers

Orchestra

Jazz Ensemble

How Music Works

AP Music Theory

Acting I, II

Acting Ensemble

Improv/Playmaking

Monologue/Scene Study

Theater Technology

Production Leadership

Lighting and Sound Design

Carpentry and Scenic Design

Visual Arts

Drawing

Drawing Intensive

Painting & Printmaking

Advanced Studio Art (with Advanced Placement Option)

Ceramics I, Ceramics II

Photography I, II, III, IV

Computer Graphics

INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS

Fall: (Girls) Soccer, Tennis, Cross Country
(Boys) Soccer, Cross Country

Winter: (Girls) Basketball, Swimming,
Indoor Track
(Boys) Basketball, Wrestling,
Swimming, Indoor Track

Spring: (Girls) Softball, Lacrosse,
Track & Field
(Boys) Baseball, Tennis,
Track & Field
(Co-Ed) Golf, Ultimate Frisbee

Of the members of the Classes of 2018 and 2019, 99% matriculated at four-year colleges or universities. Schools where our graduates were accepted in the last five years are listed below.

Actual matriculations for the classes of 2018 and 2019 appear in bold lettering; where there are more than one, an asterisk appears.

Alvernia University
American University*
Amherst College
Babson College
Baldwin Wallace University
Bard College
Barnard College
Bates College
Bennington College
Bentley University
Berklee College of Music
Binghamton University
Boston College
Boston University*
Bowdoin College
Brandeis University
Brevard College
Brown University
Bryn Mawr College*
Bucknell University
Cabrini University*
California Institute of Technology
California Polytechnic State University
Carleton College
Carnegie Mellon University
Case Western Reserve
Chestnut Hill College
Clarion University of Pennsylvania
Claremont McKenna College
Clark University
Cleveland Institute of Music
Colby College
Colgate University
College of Charleston
Colorado College
Columbia University
Community College of Philadelphia
Connecticut College
Cornell University
Dartmouth College
Davidson College
Deep Springs College
Denison University
DeSales University
Dickinson College
Drexel University*
Duke University
Earlham College
Eckerd College
Elon University*
Emerson College
Emory University
Fairfield University
Fashion Institute of Technology
Fordham University
Franklin and Marshall College
George Washington University
Georgetown University
Gettysburg College
Goucher College*
Grinnell College
Guilford College
Gwynedd Mercy University*
Hamilton College
Hampshire College
Harvey Mudd College
Harvard University
Haverford College
High Point University
Hobart and William Smith College
Hofstra University
Howard University
Indiana University at Bloomington*
Ithaca College*
James Madison University
Johns Hopkins University
Kenyon College*
Kutztown University*
Lafayette College
Lehigh University
Lewis and Clark College
Long Island University, Post
Loyola University Chicago
Loyola University Maryland
Lycoming College
Macalester College
Maryland Institute College of Art
Marymount Manhattan College
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
McDaniel College
McGill University
Middlebury College
Michigan State University
Monmouth University
Montgomery County Community College
Morehouse College
Mount Holyoke College
Muhlenberg College
New York University*
Northeastern University
Northwestern University
Oberlin College
Pace University
Pennsylvania State University*
Pomona College
Pratt Institute
Princeton University
Purdue University
Quinnipiac University
Randolph Macon College
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rice University
Rochester Institute of Technology
Roger Williams University
Sacred Heart University
Santa Clara University
Savannah College of Art and Design
Shippensburg University
St. Bonaventure University
St. John's University
St. Joseph's University
St. Olaf College
Sarah Lawrence College
Skidmore College
Smith College
Spelman College*
Stanford University
SUNY – Purchase
Susquehanna University
Swarthmore College
Syracuse University*
Temple University*
Texas State University
The College of Wooster
The New School
Trinity College, CT
Towson University
Tufts University
Tulane University
Tyler School of Art
Unites States Military Academy
University of Alabama
University of British Columbia
University of California – Berkeley
University of California – Santa Cruz
University of Central Florida
University of Chicago
University of Colorado at Boulder
University of Delaware
University of Denver
University of Hartford
University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign
University of Maryland Baltimore County
University of Massachusetts
University of Miami*
University of Michigan
University of North Carolina Chapel Hill
University of Pennsylvania
University of Pittsburgh*
University of Rochester
University of San Francisco
University of Scranton
University of the Sciences
University of South Dakota
University of Southern California
University of Toronto
University of Vermont
University of Virginia
University of Washington
University of Wisconsin
Ursinus College
Vanderbilt University
Vassar College
Villanova University
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and University
Wake Forest University
Warren Wilson College
Washington College
Washington University in St. Louis
Wellesley College
Wesleyan University
West Chester University*
Westminster Choir College of Rider University
West Virginia University
Whitman College
Widener University
Worcester Polytechnic Institute
William and Mary
Williamington University
Williams College
Xavier University
Yale University