



# FRIENDS' CENTRAL SCHOOL

## 2018-2019 PROFILE FOR COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY ADMISSIONS

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Established in 1845 by the Religious Society of Friends, Friends' Central School is an independent, co-educational Quaker day school for grades preschool through 12. Total school enrollment is 755 students; 390 students are enrolled in the Upper School.

The campus is located just over Philadelphia's western border and draws students from the city and four surrounding counties. 32% of the student body consists of students of color; 2% are Quaker. Need-based financial aid is granted to 42% of students. In the class of 2018, 96% of graduates chose to attend a four-year college, 1% chose to attend a two-year college, 3% chose to take a gap year. NAIS accredited.

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## CURRICULAR and PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS:

- All FCS courses are taught at the honors level. **Our Advanced courses equal or exceed the rigor of AP courses.**
- The **English** department does not offer an advanced track option. All students must complete the rigorous Literature curriculum.
- **American History** is a *required* document-based course for 11<sup>th</sup> graders. Each student completes a capstone, ten page, thesis-driven, primary source-based research project during the spring semester.
- **The standard course load is five major courses per year.**
- Starting in 2016-17, Friends' Central School operates on a **semester system.**
- Friends' Central School **does not calculate a grade point average or class rank.** A junior year grade distribution is provided to assist colleges in assessing student academic performance.
- All students complete a minimum of 115 hours of **community service** prior to graduation.
- **Discipline** at FCS is considered a part of the educational process and is normally an internal matter. However, when a student is or has been separated from FCS during his or her upper school years for any reason, colleges at which the student has active applications for admission or at which the student is holding an offer of admission, will be notified. As their advocates, the college counselors will work closely with students in reporting disciplinary matters to colleges.

# THE ACADEMIC PROGRAM CURRICULUM

For a complete course listing and details, please see our Curriculum Planner at  
[https://www.friendscentral.org/uploaded/Academics/Documents/US\\_Curriculum\\_Planner\\_2018-2019.pdf](https://www.friendscentral.org/uploaded/Academics/Documents/US_Curriculum_Planner_2018-2019.pdf)

<p><b><u>ENGLISH</u></b> <i>4 years required</i></p> <p>English I*</p> <p>English II*</p> <p>English III, English Seminar*</p> <p>English IV, English Seminar IV*</p> <p>Writer's Workshop</p> <p><b><u>MATHEMATICS</u></b> <i>3 years required</i></p> <p>Algebra I</p> <p>Algebra II, Algebra II <i>Adv</i></p> <p>Geometry, Geometry <i>Adv</i></p> <p>Precalculus, Precalculus <i>Adv</i></p> <p>Function Analysis and Trig. <i>Adv</i></p> <p>Statistics, Statistics <i>Adv</i></p> <p>Calculus I, Calculus I <i>Adv</i></p> <p>Calculus II <i>Adv</i></p> <p>Linear Algebra <i>Adv</i></p> <p>Making Decisions: Intro to Economics</p> <p><b><u>FOREIGN LANGUAGE</u></b> <i>2 years required</i></p> <p>French I, II, II <i>Adv</i>, III, III <i>Adv</i></p> <p>Contemporary French Experience</p> <p>French Literature <i>Adv</i>: Poetry &amp; Novels</p> <p>French Literature <i>Adv</i>: Short Stories &amp; Theater</p> <p>Latin II, II <i>Adv</i>, III, III <i>Adv</i></p> <p>Latin Literature <i>Adv</i>: Catullus &amp; Ovid</p> <p>Spanish I, II, II <i>Adv</i>, III, III <i>Adv</i>, IV</p> <p>Contemporary Latino Experience</p> <p>Spanish: History &amp; Culture of Latin of Latin America and Spain</p> <p>Spanish Literature <i>Adv</i>: Cortazar and Borges</p> <p>Spanish Literature <i>Adv</i>: Federico Lorca</p> <p>Spanish Literature <i>Adv</i>: Marquez &amp; Unamuno</p>	<p><b><u>SCIENCE</u></b> <i>2 years required</i></p> <p>Integrated Physics*</p> <p>Astronomy</p> <p>Atmospheric Science &amp; Climate Change</p> <p>Biology I, Biology I <i>Adv</i></p> <p>Biology II <i>Adv</i>: Biodiversity</p> <p>Biology II <i>Adv</i>: Genetic Super Lab</p> <p>Biology of Bodies</p> <p>Botany</p> <p>Chemistry I, Chemistry I <i>Adv</i></p> <p>Chemistry II <i>Adv</i>: Chem. Equilibrium</p> <p>Chemistry II <i>Adv</i>: Chem. Kenetics &amp; and Electrochemistry</p> <p>Physics I <i>Adv</i></p> <p>Physics II <i>Adv</i>: Electricty and Circuits</p> <p>Physics II <i>Adv</i>: Magnetism, Waves &amp; Optics</p> <p><b><u>GENERAL ELECTIVES</u></b></p> <p>Introduction to Computer Science</p> <p>Comp Sci: Data Visualizations</p> <p>Comp Sci: Interactive Installations</p> <p>Comp Sci : Models &amp; Simulations</p> <p>Comp Sci II : Simulating Our Natural World</p> <p>Sexuality &amp; Society</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>* Asterisk = Required Course</b></p>	<p><b><u>HISTORY</u></b> <i>2 years required</i></p> <p>American History*</p> <p>World History*</p> <p>20<sup>th</sup> Century Global History</p> <p>American Architectural History Through Philadelphia Buildings</p> <p>Capitalism &amp; Consumption</p> <p>Creating Africa <i>Adv</i></p> <p>History of World Architecture <i>Adv</i></p> <p>International Relations</p> <p>Introduction to Philosophy</p> <p>Modern Africa <i>Adv</i></p> <p>Modern Chinese History</p> <p>Modern European History <i>Adv</i></p> <p>Women's History</p> <p>Resistance &amp; Reconciliation</p> <p><b><u>FINE ARTS</u></b> <i>1 year required</i></p> <p><i>Partial list of arts electives -</i></p> <p>Music: Intro to Theory &amp; Composition I, II</p> <p>History of African American Music</p> <p>World Music Drumming</p> <p>Concepts in Visual Arts</p> <p>Introduction to Drawing</p> <p>Fiber Art Fabrications</p> <p>Studio Art</p> <p>Mixed Media</p> <p>Musical Theater</p> <p>Introduction to Stage Acting</p> <p>The Contemporary Stage</p> <p>Shakespeare in Performance</p> <p>Photography</p> <p>Woodworking I, II</p>
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## STANDARDIZED TESTING

**SAT Results**

Class of 2017    EWR 650 M 650  
 Class of 2018    EWR 670 M 630

**ACT Results**

Class of 2017    28.5  
 Class of 2018    29.4

## Class of 2019 - JUNIOR YEAR GRADE DISTRIBUTION

Subject	Course Name	A+	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D+	D	Total	
ENGLISH	English III		22	21	22	10	6	2		1			84	
	English Seminar	1	34	19	14	7	3	2	2	1			83	
MATH	Algebra II	1			1	2	1	1		1			7	
	Algebra II Adv		1		1					1			3	
	Precalculus		8	5	8	2	4	4					31	
	Precalculus Adv		1	3	4	5	1	2					16	
	Calculus I Adv		12	7		1							20	
	Calculus II Adv	1	2		1	1							5	
SCIENCE	Biology I		1	4	4	12	3	3					27	
	Biology I Adv	2	13	16	13	1	2	1					48	
	Chemistry II Adv: Chemical Equilibrium	1	3	3		2							9	
	Chemistry II Adv: Chem Kinetics & Electrochem	2	4		1	2							9	
	Physics I Adv		1	2	1								4	
	Physics II Adv: Electricity & Circuits	1	1	1		1							4	
	Physics II Adv: Magnetism, Waves & Optics	1	1	1	1	1							5	
	American History		16	24	13	16	9	2	3				83	
	American Architectural History				1		1						2	
	Introduction to Philosophy		1		1								2	
HISTORY	French I		1	2	1		1						5	
	French II Adv			2									2	
FOREIGN	French IV			1		2							3	
LANGUAGE	French Literature Adv: Poetry & Novels		2	2	2								6	
	Latin Literature Adv: Caesar & Vergil		1	1	3	2			1				8	
	Spanish II				3								3	
	Spanish II Adv	1	4	2									7	
	Spanish III			1	2							1	4	
	Spanish III Adv	1		2	1	1							4	
	Spanish IV		8	4	2	3		1	1				19	
	The Contemporary Latino Experience			1					1				2	
	Spanish Literature Adv: Cortazar & Borges		2	1	3	1	1	2					10	
	Spanish Literature Adv: Federico Garcia		3	1	2	2	1						9	
	Architectural Drawing Model Making			1	1		1						3	
	FINE ARTS	Fiber Art Fabrications		2	2									4
		History of African American Music	3	3				1						7
		Instrumental Ensemble Chamber		2										2
		Instrumental Ensemble Jazz		2										2
		Instrumental Ensemble Orchestra	2	2										4
Mixed Media: Appropriation & Reinvention			2	2									4	
Mixed Media: Real World Connections			1			1							2	
Music: Composition Focus			1	1	1								3	
Music: Intro to Theory & Composition			1	1		1							3	
Photography			6	7	5	11	1						30	
Shakespeare in Performance			2										2	
Studio Art I: Foundations of Studio Art			1	2									3	
Woodworking I			1		1								2	
Introduction to Comp Science		1	2	2			1						6	
Computer Science II: Stimulating our Natural Worlds		1		2	1								4	
ELECTIVES		Sexuality and Society		2		1								3

Courses are not included in which there was only one student from the Class of 2019

# FRIENDS' CENTRAL SCHOOL - COLLEGE CHOICES 2014-2018

University of Alabama	Endicott College (	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (2)
Albright College	University of Florida(	Rhode Island School of Design
Allegheny College	Fordham University	Rice University
American University	Franklin & Marshall College (6)	University of Richmond (3)
Arcadia University (2)	George Mason University	Rochester Inst. of Technology
University of Arizona (2)	George Washington University (16)	University of Rochester (2)
College of the Atlantic	Georgia Institute of Technology	Rowan University
Babson College	Gettysburg College (2)	Saint Joseph's University (4)
Bard College	Goucher College	Sarah Lawrence College
Barnard College (3)	Guilford College	Shippensburg University of PA (2)
Baruch College CUNY	Hamilton College (3)	Skidmore College
Bor of Manhattan Com Coll CUNY	Harvard University	University of South Carolina (3)
Boston College (3)	Haverford College (8)	Southeast Missouri State University
Boston University (10)	Hofstra University	University of Southern California (4)
Brandeis University (2)	Howard University (2)	University of St. Andrews Scotland
Brown University (9)	Indiana University Bloomington	St. Olaf College
Bryn Mawr College (4)	Indiana University of PA	St. Thomas Aquinas College
Bucknell University (2)	Jefferson (Phila Univ + Thos Jeff U) (3)	Stanford University
University of California Berkeley (2)	Lafayette College (3)	Stony Brook University
University of California Los Angeles	Lehigh University (5)	Syracuse University (3)
Carleton College	Loyola Marymount University	Temple University (8)
Carleton University	Loyola University Chicago	University of Texas, Austin
College of Charleston	Loyola University of Maryland (2)	University of Toledo
University of Chicago (4)	Macalester College (2)	Towson University (2)
Clark Atlanta University	University of Maryland (5)	Trinity College (CT)
Clark University (3)	University of Massachusetts	Tufts University (7)
Colby College (2)	Massachusetts Maritime Academy	Tulane University (11)
Colgate University (2)	McDaniel College	Union College (5)
University of Colorado Boulder	McGill University (3)	Ursinus College (3)
Colorado College (2)	University of Miami (9)	Vanderbilt University
Columbia University	University of Michigan (3)	Vassar College (5)
Connecticut College	Mount Holyoke College	University of Vermont (2)
Cornell University (5)	Muhlenberg College (6)	Villanova University
Dartmouth College (2)	University of New Haven	Virginia State University
University of Delaware (6)	The New School (2)	University of Virginia (2)
Denison University	New York University (8)	Wake Forest University (3)
University of Denver (2)	Univ. of No. Carolina Wilmington	Washington Univ. in St. Louis (12)
Dickinson College (8)	Northeastern University (7)	Wesleyan University (8)
Drew University	Northwestern University (2)	West Chester University (3)
Drexel University (10)	Oberlin College (8)	West Virginia University
Duke University (2)	Occidental College (2)	Whittier College
Duquesne University (5)	Orange Coast College	Widener University
Earlham College	Pace University (2)	College of William and Mary
East Stroudsburg University of PA	Penn State University (11)	Williams College
Elizabethtown College (2)	University of Pennsylvania (47)	University of Wisconsin Madison (4)
Elon University (6)	University of Pittsburgh (20)	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Emerson College	Pomona Collee (2)	Xavier University of Louisiana
Emory University (4)	Pratt Institute (2)	Yale University (2)
	Princeton University	