# Viewbook: Classes VI - XII





# At Marymount,

we believe in the **power of girls to challenge**, **shape**, **and change the world**. And from the moment she walks through our doors, a Marymount girl begins to build the wisdom, confidence, character, and compassion necessary to do so.

Our exceptional faculty inspires a lifelong love of learning in our students by designing an **intellectually challenging curriculum that drives exploration, imagination, and innovation.** Engaged in active, hands-on learning, Marymount girls become independent thinkers, creative problem solvers, and collaborative teammates.

Our academic and extracurricular programming fuels **continuous self-discovery**, helping students realize what ignites their inner spark. Students open their hearts and minds to a world of limitless possibilities. If you dream it, you can do it at Marymount.

Students become **bold**, **resilient risk-takers** as they challenge themselves to grow both inside and outside the classroom. And they feel comfortable doing so because **each girl is truly known**, **supported**, **and valued** by our caring community.

By investing in each student's unique strengths, we empower them to use their gifts to be a force for justice and make an impact on the world. Confident and conscientious, Marymount girls are unafraid to use their voice to advocate for themselves and others. Pair an analytical mind with a compassionate heart and you can set the world on fire.

Rooted in the Catholic tradition, Marymount provides a values-centered environment that **builds courage through character**. Our girls are ethical leaders and decision-makers who act with integrity. They routinely **choose we over me, building a sisterhood** where girls help each other soar long after they graduate.

And this magical journey of becoming all starts with a single step – through the open doors of Marymount, into a place where:

Girls ignite curiosity.

Girls inspire ingenuity.

Girls cultivate character.

Girls fuel the future.

Girls change the world.

# Mission & Vision

Marymount School is an independent, Catholic day school that seeks to educate young women who continue to question, risk, and grow—young women who care, serve, and lead—young women prepared to challenge, shape, and change the world.

Founded by Mother Marie Joseph Butler in 1926, Marymount School of New York is part of a global network of schools established by the Religious of the Sacred Heart of Mary (RSHM). Recognizing the need to empower young women, Mother Butler believed in educating both the heart and mind and providing for each student's total growth–intellectually, spiritually, socially, and physically.

#### To fulfill this vision, Marymount offers:

- an intellectually challenging academic program that ignites curiosity and sparks a lifelong love of learning;
- a wide range of extracurricular activities that unlock opportunities for self-expression, leadership, and collaboration;
- a values-centered environment that cultivates character, compassion, and a commitment to social justice; and
- a caring community and a culture of belonging that ensures each student is known, supported, and valued.

# At A Glance





43%
WHO IDENTIFY AS STUDENTS OF COLOR

5:1

STUDENT TO TEACHER RATIO



**OPPORTUNITIES** 

75 CLUBS, ACTIVITIES, AND AFFINITY GROUPS



30 SPORTS TEAMS IN CLASSES V-XII

90%

OF FACULTY WITH ADVANCED DEGREES



**62**%

WHO IDENTIFY AS CATHOLIC



24%
RECEIVE
FINANCIAL AID

Upper
Middle School
(Classes VI-VIII)

Upper Mid students build agency and ownership of their learning as they gain independence both inside and outside of the classroom. Our program sparks student-driven inquiry, critical thinking, and meaningful collaboration with peers. Through project-based learning, students employ ingenuity and build resilience as they test ideas, troubleshoot problems, and overcome obstacles.



# **PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

#### **BRINGING HISTORY TO LIFE**

After studying American history from early settlers to the 20th century, Class VII takes a trip to Boston at the end of the year to bring the past to life.

#### **EUROPEAN STUDY TOUR**

In the fall of Class VIII, students travel to an RSHM school in Europe to collaborate with their global peers on a project, then reunite as a group in Béziers, France, to trace the roots of our RSHM founders.

#### **CONFIRMATION**

Catholic students in Class VIII celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation.

#### **HUDSON DATA JAM**

In the Hudson Data Jam, Class VII students collect samples from the Hudson River, analyze the data, and then communicate their findings in creative data-based stories.

#### **INTERDISCIPLINARY PRESENTATIONS**

Cornerstones of the Upper Mid program include annual interdisciplinary presentations: the Class VI Medieval Festival, the Class VII performance of *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, and the Class VIII *Romeo & Juliet* theater intensive with students from Saint David's School.

## **New Heights**

Created in collaboration with the Institute of Classical Architecture & Art (ICAA), the New Heights program introduces Class VIII students to the principles of architectural composition and design through classroom-based lessons, field studies, and hands-on art lessons. Students develop a deeper appreciation of the beauty that surrounds them daily in New York City. New Heights also encourages students to consider exploring professional paths in architecture, design, and related fields by giving them space to present their ideas and discuss their perspectives with established professionals.





### Formula Fun

An updated take on a pinewood derby, Formula Fun is the culmination of an interdisciplinary project combining science, math, art, and technology. After studying the forces and variables that affect the speed of a vehicle in science class, Class VI students head to the Fab Lab to design their cars with these concepts in mind. Using scroll saws and belt sanders, they bring their creations to life and then personalize them through an artistic design. Before the final competition, students test their cars on the undulating track and analyze the data to determine if they need to modify their designs to improve speed or friction. Awards are given for fastest and slowest cars, queen of the hill, and best in show for design.

# Upper School (Classes IX-XII)

Marymount's Upper School program develops confident, capable, compassionate leaders who advocate with conviction for themselves and others. In addition to rigorous required courses, students pursue their interests through dynamic electives and challenge themselves in advanced college-level classes. Emphasizing both depth and breadth of study, students are empowered with a broad foundation of knowledge across disciplines that ignites their curiosity, affirms risk-taking, and cultivates a passion for learning.



# PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

#### **ADVANCED COURSES**

Marymount offers college-level courses that fuel students' intellectual curiosity, foster their love of learning, and develop critical skills. Advanced courses include: Advanced Art History, Advanced Economics, Advanced Psychology, Advanced Molecular Biology, Advanced Drawing, and Advanced French/ Spanish/ Latin.

#### **FINANCIAL LITERACY**

Marymount is the only independent all-girls school in New York City to require all students to graduate with a certification in Bloomberg Market Concepts. Using Bloomberg terminals, students explore macroeconomics, currencies, fixed income, and equities, empowering them to be savvy about their financial futures.

#### **GLOBAL PROGRAMS**

Students choose from over a dozen international study and travel opportunities, including semesters abroad, service trips, theater intensives, and concert tours.

# Curricular Highlights

#### **ENGLISH**

Students build foundational skills as readers, writers, and critical thinkers in Class IX Humanities, a cross-curricular exploration of the ancient world that capitalizes on our close relationship with The Met. After a study of American (X) and British (XI) literature, seniors elect to take courses such as "Doubt and Dysfunction: Contemporary American Drama," and "Family, Memory, and the Power of the Past."

#### **HISTORY**

From the ancient world to modern day, students begin to see human history as a continuous and interconnected story. In both Global History (X) and American History (XI), students engage in a critical examination of American ideals and America's shifting place in a global world. Seniors take electives such as Advanced Art History; Advanced Economics; Media Literacy & Global Events; Race, Class, & Gender; and Critical Thinking in the Arts.

#### **MATH**

From Algebra 1 to Multivariable Calculus, students develop critical-thinking and problemsolving skills through practical application and modeling. In higher level math courses, students understand how to describe the world around them using the language of mathematics.

#### **SCIENCE**

Students take required coursework in biology, chemistry, physics, and may elect to pursue advanced sciences, atmospheric science, engineering, or Independent Science Research (ISR).

#### **WORLD LANGUAGE**

In Spanish and French, students hone their ability to produce sophisticated, accurate speech in the target language, and develop a more profound understanding of other cultures. In Latin, students read and understand Latin at a high level, gaining a deep understanding of the impact of Roman literary culture on modern Western society. Students are able to study two languages if they choose.

#### **RELIGIOUS STUDIES**

Upper School students take courses in world religions, social justice, scripture, and ethics. In addition to completing 20 hours of community service, Class X students participate in M-PACT (Marymount Philanthropy and Community Transformation) in which they research and advocate for local non-profit organizations.

#### **ROBUST ELECTIVES**

Students chart a unique course of study suited to their interests. While some students elect to double up on math or humanities courses, others choose to pursue engineering, design & innovation, visual and performing arts, or a second language.

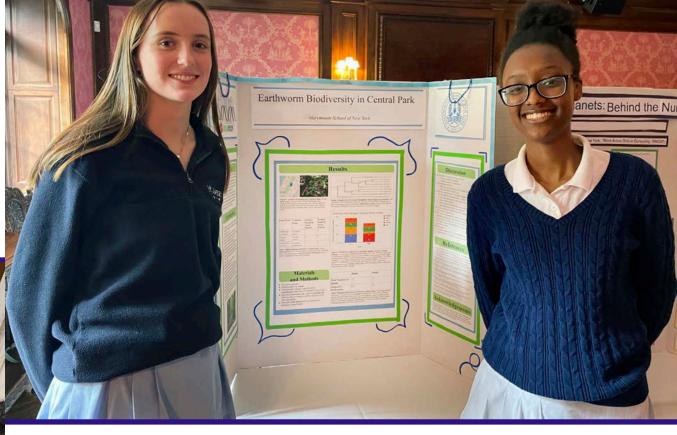
#### **INTERNSHIP PROGRAM**

During the summer after junior year, students complete a three-week internship in an area of interest, offering tangible work experience that may influence students' future academic and career decisions.

#### **Humanities IX**

Humanities IX is an integrated English, history, and art history curriculum that explores the literature, history, and art of ancient cultures. It is a team-taught course that builds Class IX students' foundational skills as readers, writers, and critical thinkers. Students learn about Greece and Rome in the fall semester and the Ancient Near East, early Islam, India, West Africa, and China in the spring semester. They investigate these major civilizations in history, some of their greatest stories (in epic poetry, prose, and drama) in English, and their defining works of art in art history. In addition to regular gallery visits to The Metropolitan Museum of Art, students complete several interdisciplinary projects, which involve collaboration with creative technology, drama, languages, studio art, and world religions.





# **Independent Science Research**

Open to students in Classes X-XII, the Independent Science Research (ISR) Program is for students who are highly motivated independent learners with a passion for scientific research. In this three-year program, students investigate a topic of interest, design and conduct experiments based on their research, and work with scientists in their chosen field in a month-long summer internship program. Students analyze and synthesize their summer research and present their work at a symposium the following spring. Several ISR students have had their research published in scientific journals.



# Arts & Innovation

From our art studios to our stage to our makerspaces, students embrace the challenges and joys of creation as they discover new ways of thinking about the world around them. The arts, design, technology, and innovation programming at Marymount fosters resilience, confidence, and imagination.

#### **Visual Arts**

The visual arts program nurtures creative inquiry and self-expression as students expand their visual literacy and develop their own unique artistic style. After building foundational skills in painting, drawing, and sculpture, students design their own paths in Upper School to pursue their individual artistic passions. Regular visits to the galleries of The Met and other local museums allow students to explore different media, genres, and artists and find inspiration for their own work.

### **Performing Arts**

Students light up the stage in the drama and music programs at Marymount. Through curricular speech presentations, musical concerts, and dramatic performances, expert teaching artists carefully cultivate student's talents, allowing them to express themselves creatively and let their voices soar. Robust extracurricular offerings in theater, set tech design, and vocal/instrumental instruction allow students to pursue their passions and hone their skills.

# **Design & Innovation**

In state-of-the-art labs, makerspaces, and workshops, students engage in project-based inquiry that sparks creative problem solving, meaningful collaboration, and cross-curricular connections. Using both digital and analog tools, students bring ideas from concept to creation as they prototype, troubleshoot, and refine their designs. Upper School students also have the opportunity to pursue a certificate in design, innovation, and impact by developing their expertise in one of five innovative areas of study: creative programming, digital fabrication, design thinking, new media, and physical computing.

# **Apple Distinguished School**

A pioneer in digital learning, Marymount is recognized as an Apple Distinguished School for being a center of innovation, leadership, and educational excellence. Using innovative tools and teaching methods, faculty across departments design their curricula to engage students through problem solving, teamwork, imaginative expression, and real-world connection. Whether programming a microcontroller or using a scroll saw to fabricate a pinewood derby car or producing a short story using augmented reality, students approach novel situations with agility, determination, and a growth mindset.



# **Financial Literacy**

Marymount is the only independent all-girls school in New York City to require all students to graduate with a certification of financial literacy. Using Bloomberg Market Concept (BMC) coursework and terminals, Upper School students are introduced to key market concepts, economic research and analysis, and portfolio management. In addition to this foundational coursework, Upper School students may elect to take business electives in economics as well as an entrepreneurship elective that allows students to grow big ideas from concept to creation.



# The Marymount Experience

From their first day of school to their last, students are shaped by the relationships they build with peers and teachers, the vibrant experiences they have both inside and outside the classroom, and the meaningful traditions that make Marymount unique. A thoughtful approach to spiritual life, extracurriculars, service learning, and student wellness ensure that the Marymount experience fuels each child's spirit and ignites their inner spark.

# A Culture of Belonging

Marymount is deeply committed to building a culture of inclusion and belonging so that all members of the community feel seen and valued. Students explore topics of identity and community, engage in respectful and well-informed dialogue, and learn to approach complex ideas with open minds and open hearts. Marymount celebrates the rich diversity of our community through robust heritage events that showcase the unique experiences and traditions of our families.

Students in Classes VI-XII are invited to participate in affinity groups: intentional gatherings of people who share a similar identity, which are safe spaces for reflection, conversation, and support. Our GRACE (Global Relationships & Cultural Exchange) group also hosts monthly meetings for parents to discuss topics of diversity, equity, and inclusion in our community and to brainstorm programs and activities that can expand our culture of belonging.



# Wellness & Support

Marymount's intentional and holistic approach to health, wellness, and student support helps students thrive as strong, resilient, and well-adjusted young women. As they navigate adolescence, students learn to manage emotions effectively, study efficiently, and connect with others authentically. In the Upper Mid and Upper Schools, students also build a framework for responsible decision-making as they deepen their discussions of social media, alcohol, drugs, dating, friendship, mental health, and identity. Marymount is staffed with seasoned counselors and psychologists to help students navigate the complex situations that often evolve during the middle and high school years.

# **TRADITIONS**

Beloved traditions define the Marymount experience and create treasured memories for students and their families. Marymount traditions include:

Field Days

Homecoming

Halloween Assembly

Turkey Trot

Thanksgiving Food Drive

Christmas Crafting Workshops

Christmas Fair and Reception

Upper Mid Nativity Vespers

Upper School Lessons & Carols

Skating Party

Spirit Week

Benefit Gala

Class XI Semi-formal

Junior Ring Day

Senior Prom

Commencement





# ATHLETICS

The athletics program at Marymount promotes good health, encourages lifelong fitness, and provides valuable opportunities for leadership and collaboration. Interscholastic competition begins with the V/VI and VII/VIII teams, and Upper School athletics include Junior Varsity and Varsity subdivisions when possible.

The Marymount Lions compete in the AAIS league and have won over 16 athletic championships in the last five years. Championship-winning teams include Varsity & JV Volleyball, Varsity Cross Country, Varsity Fencing, Varsity Lacrosse, and Varsity Track & Field.

## Sports offered include

Cross CountryIndoor TrackSoccerSwimmingTennisBadmintonVolleyballLacrosseBasketballSoftball

Fencing Track & Field



### **ACTIVITIES & CLUBS**

Students pursue their passions through a broad range of clubs, affinity, groups, and activities that meet during the school day or after school. To best suit their interests, students are invited to create and lead new clubs and organizations with the guidance and support of a faculty advisor. Students may also elect to take individual instrumental/voice lessons.

### **Upper Mid offerings include:**

Marymount Makers Book Club Photography Club School of Rock (with Saint David's) Care, Serve, Lead Music Video Production Set Tech Design Jewelry Club Yoga Screenwriting Club Uptown Broadway Model Congress Dramatic Arts (with Saint David's) Student Council Games Club Environmental Action Photography Club

## **Upper School offerings include:**

Art Club Global Awareness National Honor Society Asian Affinity Group GRACEful Leaders Peer Assistant Leaders (PALs) Astronomy Club Italian Club Photography Club Athletic Committee **PRISM** Joint School Activities (JSA) Book Club Retreat Team Leaders Joritan (Newspaper) Business & Finance Club Latinx Affinity Group Rhyme & Reason Campus Ministry Marifia (Yearbook) Robotics Club Civil Conversations Club Marymount Black Affinity School Service DIY Club Marymount Mentor Club Set Tech Drama Club Social Events Committee Marymount Singers EnviSci Club Math Team Student Ambassadors ESports Club Mathletes Student Government **Eucharistic Ministers** Medical Society Club The Stitchuation Knitting Club Experimental Science Club Met Club Tech + Media Club Film Club Mock Trial US Tutors Food Science Women in Our World Model UN Gaelic Society Muse (Literary Arts Journal) Young Women, Big Impact



# **GLOBAL EDUCATION**

Through curricular programs, guest speakers, and travel opportunities, Marymount students become engaged participants in an interconnected global community. Marymount is part of an international network of RSHM schools – 19 schools in 8 countries that share common goals, values, and vision – which offers opportunities for language immersions, semesters abroad, study programs, concert tours, and sports festivals.

International travel opportunities begin in Upper Mid with the Class VIII European Study Tour and the RSHM Sports Festival. Upper School opportunities include:

Three-week Language & Cultural Immersions Semesters Abroad Global Journeys Oxford Seminars Concert Tour Service Trip

#### **EUROPE**

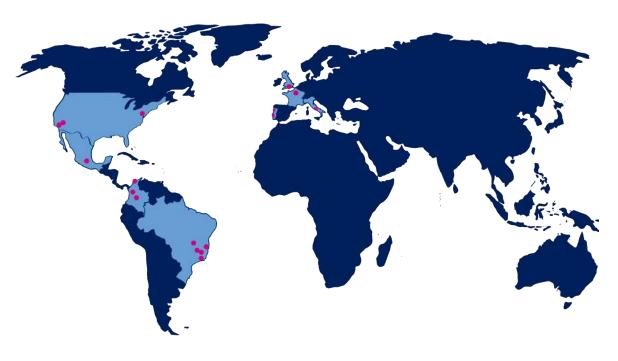
Lisbon, Portugal Fatima, Portugal Porto, Portugal London, England Paris, France Rome, Italy

#### **SOUTH AMERICA**

Barranquilla, Colombia Medellín, Colombia Bogotá, Colombia Brasília, Brazil Vitoria, Brazil Ubá, Brazil Rio de Janeiro, Brazil Belo Horizonte, Brazil

#### **NORTH AMERICA**

New York, New York Los Angeles, California Montebello, California Cuernavaca, Mexico



# **Spirituality and Social Justice**

Marymount invites students of all faiths to cultivate character, integrity, and compassion as they become ethical leaders and decision-makers in a values-centered environment. Through religion classes, chapel services, and Masses, students explore their spiritual identities and nurture their relationships with God and others. Beginning in Class VII, students go off campus for day-long or overnight retreats to reflect on their growth as individuals and as part of a class community. Together with parents and sponsors, Class VIII students prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation or support their peers in this process.

In fulfillment of the RSHM mission, Marymount cultivates agents of change by awakening a consciousness of social justice in our students. They actively and compassionately respond to the needs of our world by building awareness about the many challenges in our local and global communities, advocating for those in need, and igniting action through hands-on service and philanthropic initiatives. There are many opportunities for direct service, including tutoring, helping with food distribution in the neighborhood, and collecting goods for those in need in our community.





#### M-PACT

As their culminating social justice class project, Class X students participate in M-PACT (Marymount Philanthropy and Community Transformation). Each team chooses a local non-profit organization and conducts extensive research on its history, mission, programming, and finances. Teams create a multimedia presentation to advocate for their chosen organization. The winning organization receives a \$5,000 grant, and each runner up receives a \$1,500 grant. The work of all groups is presented to Bank of NY Mellon Wealth Management for consideration for further funding.



# Beyond Marymount

At Marymount, college counseling is a four-year partnership, with each family receiving individualized guidance in junior and senior year. From choosing a targeted course of study in Upper School to defining future goals to submitting applications, Marymount's college counseling process is highly personalized, allowing each student to find the school that is the right academic, social, and financial fit for them.

### 5 Year College Matriculation (2020-2024)

American University (3)

Amherst College

Babson College

Bard College (2)

Barnard College (2)

Bates College

Bentley University

Binghamton University (2)

Boston College (8)
Boston University (5)

Brigham Young University

Bucknell University

Carnegie Mellon University (2)

Case Western Reserve University

Chapman University (2)

Claremont McKenna College

Clemson University

Colby College (2)

Colgate University (4)

College of the Holy Cross (7)

College of William & Mary (2)

Columbia University (2)

Connecticut College

Cornell University (11)

Dartmouth College

Duke University (2)

Elon University

Embry Riddle Aeronautical University

Emerson College

Emory University

Fairfield University (3)

Florida State University

Fordham University (2)

Franklin & Marshall College

Franklin University, Switzerland

George Washington University (2)

Georgetown University (6)

Hamilton College (3)

Hampton University

Harvard University
IE University, Spain

Indiana University Bloomington (2)

Johns Hopkins University

Johnson and Wales University

Lafayette College

Lehigh University (7)

Loyola Marymount University (3)

Loyola University Maryland

Massachusetts Institute of

Technology (3)

McGill University, Canada

Michigan State University

Muhlenberg College

New York University (8)

Northeastern University (7)

Northwestern University

Penn State University (2)

Princeton University (2)

Queens University, Canada

Rennsealear Polytechnic Institute

Rollins College (2)

Santa Clara University

Savannah College of Art and Design

School of Visual Arts

Skidmore College

Southern Methodist University (7)

Spelman College

Stevens Institute of Technology

SUNY New Paltz Swarthmore College Syracuse University (5)

Texas A&M University
Texas Christian University

The University of North Carolina

at Chapel Hill

Tufts University

Tulane University (11)

Union College

United States Military Academy

West Point (2)

United States Naval Academy

University of California, Los Angeles (3)

University of Chicago

University of Florida

University of Georgia

University of Miami

University of Michigan (5)

University of New Hampshire

University of Notre Dame (6)

University of Pennsylvania (7)

University of Richmond

University of Rochester (2)

University of Southern California (2)

University of St Andrews (8)

University of Tennessee

University of Texas at Austin

University of the Arts, London

University of Vermont

University of Virginia (4)

University of Wisconsin

Villanova University (7)

Wake Forest University (12)

Washington University in St Louis (3)

Wofford College

Yale University



# CAMPUS

Classes VI-XII are housed at Marymount's state-of-the-art campus at 115 East 97th Street. This brand-new 152,000-square-foot building features four science labs plus engineering and design studios, two art studios, music room and practice rooms, a chapel, regulation-size gym and wellness center, 300-seat proscenium theater, full-floor dining area, and multiple outdoor spaces. Two classrooms in The Metropolitan Museum of Art, Central Park, and other New York City sites create an extended campus for Marymount students.



A look inside our new home: 115 East 97th Street











### **TRANSPORTATION**

Marymount offers private bus transportation to school in the mornings for students in Kindergarten through Class XII. Several predetermined routes run throughout the five boroughs and New Jersey with a targeted arrival time of 7:40 - 7:50 a.m. at both campuses. The NYC Department of Education also offers MetroCards for students in K-XII and free yellow bus service for students in K-VI based on eligibility.

Marymount's 97th Street campus is conveniently located near many modes of public transportation, including:

















Scan the QR code for more information about Marymount private bus service, yellow bus service, public transportation, and student Metrocards.

