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Founded in 1894, RPCS is an independent day school for girls in kindergarten through grade twelve. The school is located in Roland Park, a residential neighborhood in northern Baltimore City, on a 21 acre campus. The college preparatory curriculum emphasizes the intellectual, aesthetic, physical, and moral development of the students. RPCS welcomes applicants of all races, religions and ethnic origins and does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, sexual orientation or ethnic origins in the administration of its policies and programs. RPCS is accredited by the Association of Independent Maryland Schools and is a member of the National Association of Independent Schools. The School is the first girls' school in Maryland to be awarded a chapter in the Cum Laude Society.

ENROLLMENT and FACULTY

Total—646 . Upper School—312. Senior Class—80.

Upper School Faculty—52 (79% holding post-bachelor's degrees). Upper School Student/Faculty Ratio—6:1.

PHILOSOPHY

Roland Park Country School, a college preparatory school for girls, is dedicated to the intellectual and moral development of its students. We cultivate creativity, independence of thought, tenacity of purpose, self-discipline, and emotional, physical, and spiritual well-being. We maintain high academic standards, uphold tradition, and promote innovation. We nurture a cooperative, resilient spirit within an atmosphere of mutual trust and respect. In a diverse, inclusive, and joyful community, Roland Park Country School strives to instill in its students a lifelong love of learning as well as the responsibility to look within and beyond themselves to contribute to and serve as stewards and leaders of their communities.

SCHOOL PROFILE 2015-2016

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS and CURRICULUM

RPCS offers a rigorous, college preparatory curriculum. The standard and expected academic load of every student is five "major" courses each year. To satisfy graduation requirements, a student must complete:

- English—4 years
- Mathematics—4 years (minimum of Precalculus)
- Laboratory Science—3 years (to include Physics, Chemistry and Biology)
- History—3 years (to include Non-Western World, European, and United States)
- Foreign Language—3 years (of the same language)

Additional courses in art, music, theater, public speaking, and physical education are also required.

SCHEDULE

Courses are blocked for 70-minute class periods in a ten-day cycle. Classes meet according to the following frequency pattern (levels of credit are noted in italics):

- Full Credit: 9th and 10th Grade*
- English, Foreign Language 5 of every 10 days
- Math, Science, History 6 of every 10 days
- Full Credit: 11th and 12th Grade*
- Non-AP Classes 6 of every 10 days
- AP Classes 7 of every 10 days
- Half-Credit:* 5 or 6 of every 10 days
- Quarter-Credit:* 3 of every 10 days

COMMUNITY SERVICE

RPCS places emphasis on the developmental ideals associated with volunteerism and helping others. Every student is required to devote a minimum of 60 hours to community service, 40 hours of which must be at one location, during her four years in the Upper School. Most of our students far surpass this minimum.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Leadership positions are limited as follows: In any one year, a student may be the sole President of one organization or Co-President of two. In addition, a student may repeat as class President only from junior year into senior year.

<p>GRADING:</p> <p>A 100—90</p> <p>B 89—80</p> <p>C 79—70</p> <p>D 69—65</p> <p>F Below 65</p>	<p>Honor roll recognizes students who have attained an average of 87% or higher.</p>	<p>CLASS OF 2016 CUMULATIVE GPA:</p> <p>Grades are weighted with an additional four points given for AP, three points for Honors, and two points for Accelerated classes.</p> <p>Full Range of Class: 98.56 - 73.97</p> <p>Mean: 87.53</p>
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CLASS RANK:

Roland Park Country School policy prohibits specific ranking, therefore we use no form of class rank.

MOST ADVANCED COURSE OFFERINGS: In addition to standard college preparatory sections, our curriculum offers **Accelerated (A), Honors (H), and Advanced Placement (AP)** sections as follows:

	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
English	H	H	AP	Electives
Foreign Language	H	H	AP	AP
Mathematics	A, H	A, H	A, H	H, AP
History	H	AP	AP	H, AP
Science	H	H	H	AP

ADVANCED PLACEMENT: In 2015 139 students sat for 261 AP examinations, for which 75% earned scores of 3 or above. Year-long Advanced Placement courses are offered in the following disciplines:

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| Biology | English Language/Lit. | Human Geography | Russian (AP Prototype) |
| AB and BC Calculus | Environmental Science | Latin | Spanish Language |
| Chemistry | European History | Music Theory | Spanish Literature |
| Chinese | French Language | Photography | Statistics |
| Computer Science | Government | Physics | Studio Art |
| Economics | History of Art | Psychology | US History |

Students are limited to taking no more than three AP classes in any one year without specific permission of the Upper School Head.

★	AP Scholars	AP Scholars With Honors	AP Scholars With Distinction	National AP Scholars ★
	21	12	22	1

CLASS OF 2015 STANDARDIZED TEST RESULTS:

Test	Mean	Middle 50% Range
SAT Critical Reading	601	520-680
SAT Math	618	550-680
SAT Writing	625	560-680
SAT Total Score	1844	1650-2000
ACT English	28	22-34
ACT Math	27	24-32
ACT Reading	27	22-32
ACT Science	26	23-29
ACT Composite	26	23-31

SAT II Subject	Mean
Biology	613
Chemistry	497
Literature	655
Math I	610
Math II	659
US History	655
French	677
Spanish	637
Physics	590

THE INTEGRATED MATH PROGRAM: The Integrated Math Program at Roland Park Country School is a three-year sequence intended to prepare students to study college-level mathematics as seniors. The sequence provides learning experiences equivalent to traditional courses in Geometry, Algebra II, Trigonometry, and Precalculus. In addition, it provides students with significant experience in Probability, Statistics, and Data Analysis and includes technology and writing components. At the end of the sequence, students choose from AP Calculus (AB or BC), AP Statistics, or a wide variety of rigorous non-AP options.

THE STEM INSTITUTE AT ROLAND PARK: The STEM Institute at Roland Park strives to foster in young women the confidence, passion, persistence and curiosity to explore the empirical world and to develop innovative habits of mind. Participants will develop the necessary ethical, analytical and creative reasoning skills to pursue interests and prepare for careers in STEM disciplines. To earn Certification, students must complete a set, rigorous curriculum in math and science and a series of semester-long research apprenticeships, as well as an independent research project and a summer internship.

THE FOREIGN LANGUAGE CERTIFICATE PROGRAM: The Foreign Language Certificate recognizes students who demonstrate a commitment to global citizenship by concentrating their academic program in foreign language. To earn Certification, students must formally study two languages beyond the beginning level, and must complete an experience that extends language study to other areas of the student's life in order to demonstrate the relevance of language acquisition in today's global society. Two of the following languages may be chosen: Ancient Greek, Arabic, Chinese, French, Latin, Russian or Spanish.

THE ROLAND PARK COUNTRY SCHOOL CURRICULUM GUIDE:

For more information about our programs and courses, please see our Curriculum Guide: <http://www.rpcs.org/page.aspx?pid=385>

FOUR-YEAR SURVEY OF COLLEGE MATRICULATIONS

Colleges in red are the selections of the Class of 2015. Typically, 100% of Roland Park Country School's graduates matriculate to four-year colleges and universities. The members of the Class of 2015 applied to an average of 5 colleges each.

American University	Roanoke College
Auburn University (2)	Rochester Institute of Technology
Bates College	Rutgers University-New Brunswick
Boston College	Saint Joseph's University
Boston University (2)	San Diego State University
Bridgewater College	Sarah Lawrence College
Bucknell University	Savannah College of Art and Design
Carnegie Mellon University	Sewanee: The University of the South
Case Western Reserve University	Skidmore College
Claremont McKenna College	Spelman College
Clemson University (4)	St. Lawrence University
Colby College	St. Mary's College of Maryland
College of Charleston (2)	State University of New York at Albany
College of William and Mary	Stevenson University
Connecticut College	Syracuse University
Cornell College	Texas Christian University
Cornell University	The Catholic University of America
Dartmouth College	The College of Wooster
Davidson College	The George Washington University
Delaware State University	The Ohio State University
DeSales University	The University of Alabama
Dickinson College	The University of Arizona
Duke University	The University of Georgia
Eckerd College	The University of Tampa
Elizabethtown College	The University of the Arts
Elon University (2)	Towson University (2)
Emory University	Trinity College
Fairfield University	Tufts University
Fordham University	Tulane University (2)
Franklin and Marshall College	Union College
Franklin W. Olin College of Engineering	University of Baltimore
Frostburg State University	University of California, Berkeley
Furman University	University of California, San Diego
George Mason University	University of Chicago
Georgetown University (4)	University of Cincinnati
Gettysburg College	University of Dayton
Goucher College	University of Delaware
Grinnell College	University of Denver
Hamilton College	University of Hawaii at Manoa
Hampshire College	University of Maryland, Balt. Co. (2)
Harvard University	University of Maryland, College Park (3)
High Point University (2)	University of Miami
Hobart and William Smith Colleges	University of Michigan (2)
Hofstra University	University of Mississippi
Howard University (2)	Univ. of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Indiana University at Bloomington	Univ. of North Carolina, Wilmington
Jacksonville University	University of Pennsylvania
James Madison University	University of Rhode Island
Johns Hopkins University	University of Richmond
Kenyon College (2)	University of Rochester
Keystone College	University of South Carolina
Loyola University Maryland	University of Southern California
Lynchburg College	University of St. Andrews
Marymount Manhattan College	University of Vermont (2)
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	University of Virginia
Miami University, Oxford	University of Wisconsin, Madison
Michigan State University	Vanderbilt University
Middlebury College	Villanova University (2)
Monmouth University	Virginia Commonwealth University
Morgan State University	Wagner College
Mount Holyoke College	Wake Forest University
Muhlenberg College	Washington and Lee University
New York University	Washington College
Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts	Washington University in St. Louis
Penn State University (3)	Wellesley College
Portland State University	West Virginia University
Queens University of Charlotte	Winthrop University
Quinnipiac University	Wofford College
Rhodes College	Yale University
Rice University	
Ringling College of Art and Design	