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## SCHOOL PROFILE

Baltimore Lutheran School is affiliated with the Lutheran Church Missouri-Synod and offers a college preparatory curriculum. Following the example of Jesus and empowered by the Holy Spirit, Baltimore Lutheran School equips students to grow spiritually as they succeed academically and develop socially and physically; the school motto is *All to the Glory of God*.

Founded in 1965 and located on twenty-five acres in a residential suburb of Baltimore, Baltimore Lutheran School is approved by the Maryland State Department of Education and is accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools. Baltimore Lutheran is a member of the Association of Independent Maryland Schools and the Baltimore Independent School Council.

### STUDENTS AND FACULTY

There are 328 students in grades six through twelve. The Upper School enrollment is 242. There are 77 students in the class of 2011. About half of the 35 full-time faculty hold an advanced degree. The faculty-to-student ratio is approximately 12 to 1. Required academic class size is 20-25 students.

### ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

Baltimore Lutheran operates on an eight class drop schedule with seven periods per day. Students in grades 9-11 must schedule seven credit-bearing classes each semester. Twelfth grade students must schedule six credit-bearing classes each semester. Early graduation is not a practice of Baltimore Lutheran School.

The minimum number of credits needed to graduate is 26. Advanced courses on the Middle School level may not be counted as part of the 26 credits for graduation. The distribution of credits is as follows:

Theology	4 credits
English	4 credits
Mathematics	3 credits
Social Studies	3 credits
Science	3 credits lab sciences
Physical Education	1½ credit includes one semester of Health
Technology	½ credit
Fine Arts	1 credit
Foreign Language	2 credits in same language
Electives	4 credits, one credit must be in a core subject area

Credits awarded by previous schools may be accepted if they are included in the Baltimore Lutheran curriculum and are deemed to be of sufficient quality and level. No course grade below "C" is transferable to Baltimore Lutheran School.

### GRADING SYSTEM

Evaluations of students' academic performance are reported quarterly using a numerical grading system; 65% is a passing grade. Grade point average is calculated by converting each numerical grade to the 4.0 scale and then averaging all grades on that scale. The following scale is used:

98-100	A+	4.00	77-79	C+	2.33
94-97	A	4.00	73-76	C	2.00
90-93	A-	3.67	70-72	C-	1.67
87-89	B+	3.33	69	D+	1.33
83-86	B	3.00	66-68	D	1.00
80-82	B-	2.67	65	D-	1.00
			0-64	F	0.0

Course grades are unweighted. Final exams are held at the conclusion of each semester. The final counts as 20% of the final grade for a semester course or each semester final will count as 10% of the final grade for a year-long course. All course failures during the regular academic year must be made up in Summer School.

**SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

The Christus Honors Program is an enrichment program that challenges the gifted student by combining the Baltimore Lutheran curriculum with a variety of the following: distance learning classes through the Concordia University System, local college offerings, service learning, and senior research project.

The Student Aid and Resource Program (STAR) is available to a small percentage of students with a mild diagnosed learning disability. All students are fully integrated into the academic program. There are no different levels of curriculum and no remedial resources.

**DISTRIBUTION OF FINAL GRADES**

Class	Class Size	Range	Middle 50th Percentile	Mean	Median
2010	70	1.67 - 4.00	2.52 - 3.29	2.897	2.899
2009	76	1.87 - 4.00	2.54 - 3.42	3.001	3.009
2008	76	1.71 - 4.00	2.61 - 3.38	2.978	2.940

**SAT SCORE RESULTS**

Class	Test	Middle 50th Percentile	Mean
2010	Critical Reading	460-590	537
	Math	450-590	514
	Writing	470-570	532
2009	Critical Reading	470-590	539
	Math	460-520	522
	Writing	480-592	545
2008	Critical Reading	490-600	547
	Math	470-570	522
	Writing	500-600	553

**COLLEGE ENROLLMENT**

Class	Higher Education	Four-Year College	Two-Year College	Career Training/ Other	Military
2010	90%	58%	32%	10%	0%
2009	95%	69%	30%	1%	0%
2008	95%	76%	19%	4%	1%

## UPPER SCHOOL CURRICULUM

THEOLOGY	Foundations of Faith I & II Biblical Applications I & II	Christian Commitment I & II Spiritual Life Skills I & II
ENGLISH	Composition & Literature Nine English Nine Honors Composition & Literature Ten English Ten Honors American Literature & Language American Literature & Language Honors	British Literature I & II British Literature I & II Honors AP English Shakespeare Honors Creative Writing SAT Preparation
FOREIGN LANGUAGE	German I, II, III German IV, V Honors Spanish I, II, III Spanish Language IV & V Honors	Latin I, II, III Latin IV Honors French I, II, III French IV & V Honors
MATHEMATICS	Algebra I, II Algebra II Honors Geometry Geometry Honors Consumer Mathematics	Advanced Algebra Statistics Pre-Calculus Honors Calculus Honors
SCIENCE	Earth Science Biology Biology Honors Chemistry Chemistry Honors	Advanced Biology Honors Histology/Anatomy Honors Chesapeake Bay Biology Forensic Sciences Physics Honors
SOCIAL STUDIES	American Government American Government Honors World History World History Honors United States History United States History Honors Selected Topics in United States History Contemporary Issues in United States History Modern United States History Honors	World History 18 <sup>th</sup> & 19 <sup>th</sup> Centuries World History 20 <sup>th</sup> Century Advanced American Government Honors Introduction to American Law Economics Sociology Psychology Psychology (College Credit) Sociology (College Credit)
ART	Fundamentals of Art Art I & II Computer Graphics Photography I & II	Advanced Studio Art Introduction to Theatre Acting I & II Yearbook
MUSIC	Concert Band Symphonic Winds Introduction to Guitar Intermediate Guitar	Concert Choir Handbells Music Theory & Composition Jazz Band
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	Health Health Independent Study Girls Physical Education I & II Boys Physical Education I & II	Weight Training I & II Athletics Physical Education Independent Study Physical Education
BUSINESS/COMPUTER EDUCATION	Career Development Fundamentals of Technology	Personal Finance

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## MIDDLE SCHOOL COURSE OFFERINGS

Middle School requirements include:

Religion	Math Mastery
Science	Pre-Algebra
Social Studies	Algebra I
English	Physical Education
Literature	Health

Enrichment classes include:

Art (I, II, Advanced)
Band (Beg, Int, Concert)
Chorale
Computers

Foreign Language
Handbells
Keyboarding
Language Mechanics

Life Skills
Music
Public Speaking
Study Skills

## COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY ACCEPTANCES CLASSES 2008-2010

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Albright College  
Alvernia University  
American University  
Ball State University  
Baltimore International College  
Bellarmine University  
Bethany College  
Bridgewater College  
Cabrini College  
Campbell University  
Carnegie Mellon University  
Catholic University  
Cazenovia College  
Central Pennsylvania College  
Chicago College of the  
    Performing Arts  
Chestnut Hill College  
Clark University  
Clemson University  
Coastal Carolina University  
College of Notre Dame  
Columbia Union College  
Concordia University California  
Concordia University Chicago  
Concordia University Nebraska  
Concordia University Texas  
Concordia University Wisconsin  
Daniel Webster College  
Doane College  
Drexel University  
Earlham College  
East Carolina University  
Eastern University  
Elizabethtown College  
Elon University  
Embry-Riddle University  
Evangel University  
Fairleigh Dickinson University  
Fairmont State University  
Florida Institute of Technology  
Florida Southern College  
Franklin and Marshall College  
Frostburg State University  
George Mason University  
Georgia Institute of Technology  
Georgetown College  
Gettysburg College  
Goucher College  
Green Mountain College  
Guilford College  
Hampton University  
Hawaii Pacific University  
High Point University  
Hood College  
Hope College  
Howard University  
Indiana University of Pennsylvania  
Ithaca College  
Jacksonville University  
James Madison University  
Johns Hopkins University  
Johnson and Wales University  
Juniata College  
Lambuth University  
La Salle University  
Lebanon Valley College  
Lenoir-Rhyne College  
Liberty University  
Lock Haven University  
Long Island University  
Loyola University of Maryland  
Lycoming College  
Lynchburg College  
Kings College  
Marietta College  
Maryland Institute College of Art  
Massachusetts College of Pharmacy  
    and Health Sciences  
McDaniel College  
Messiah College  
Methodist University  
Miami University  
Morgan State University  
Mount Aloysius College  
Mount St. Mary's College  
Neumann College  
New York University  
North Carolina State University  
Northwestern University  
Ohio State University  
Ohio Wesleyan University  
Pennsylvania College of Art and Design  
Pennsylvania State University  
Philadelphia University  
Polytechnic University  
Pratt Institute  
Providence College  
Purdue University  
Randolph College  
Randolph-Macon College  
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute  
Rhode Island School of Design  
Roanoke College  
Rutgers, The State University  
    of New Jersey  
Salisbury University  
Savannah College of Art and Design  
School of the Art Institute of Chicago  
Seton Hall University  
Shenandoah University  
Shepherd University  
Shippensburg University  
Slippery Rock University  
Southern Adventist University  
South Dakota State University  
Southern Vermont College  
Spelman College  
St. John's University  
St. Joseph's University  
St. Mary's College of Maryland  
St. Olaf College  
State University of New York Cobleskill  
State University of New York New Paltz  
Stevenson University  
Susquehanna University  
Syracuse University  
Temple University  
Towson University  
Tusculum College  
United States Military Academy  
University of Baltimore  
University of Delaware  
University of Georgia  
University of Kentucky  
University of Louisville  
University of Mary Washington  
University of Maryland Baltimore County  
University of Maryland College Park  
University of Minnesota  
University of New England  
University of North Carolina Asheville  
University of North Florida  
University of Pittsburgh  
University of Puget Sound  
University of Sciences Philadelphia  
University of South Carolina  
University of South Florida  
University of Virginia  
University of Wyoming  
Ursinus College  
Valparaiso University  
Virginia Commonwealth University  
Virginia Military Institute  
Virginia Polytechnic & State University  
Wagner College  
Washington College  
Washington & Jefferson College  
Wells College  
Wesley College  
West Chester University  
West Virginia Institute of Technology  
West Virginia University  
West Virginia Wesleyan College  
Westminster College  
Widener University  
William Woods University  
Wingate University  
York College of Pennsylvania