

# Pope John Paul II HIGH SCHOOL

Be not afraid to seek the splendor of truth and live the gospel of life.

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# **Mission**

Pope John Paul II assists in the formation of students to be full and practicing members of the Church while simultaneously recognizing and respecting the diversity of our student body. We are an inclusive community centered on academic excellence that rigorously prepares students to be contributing members of the global community as disciples of Christ with the ultimate goal of eternity in Heaven.

# Accreditation by Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools The Community The School

Royersford, Pennsylvania is a quiet borough located about 30 miles north of Philadelphia. Both the historic and contemporary are represented in this borough, as new businesses stand just blocks from homes built in the late 18th century. Due to its proximity to the 422 Expressway, Royersford has become a popular bedroom community for those who desire access to the city of Philadelphia but at the same time enjoy small-town living. Pope John Paul II High School draws the majority of its students from Montgomery, Chester and Bucks County. Pope John Paul II is a four-year co-educational Roman Catholic High School and one of 15 secondary schools operated under the auspices of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

The School year is 36 weeks, 180 days. The year is broken into two semesters of 90 days each. There are 8 periods a day, each 45 minutes long.

# Graduation Requirements (26 Credits)

4.0 credits	Theology
4.0 credits	English
3.0 credits	Social Studies
3.0 credits	Mathematics
3.0 credits	Science
0.5 credits	Technology
0.5 credits	Fine Arts
0.5 credits	Health
0.5 credits	Physical Education
7.0 credits*	Electives

\* it is recommended that at least 2 of the elective credits are satisfied through the study of World Language.

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# Enrollment (2024-2025)

Grade 9	216
Grade 10	220
Grade 11	178
Grade 12	188
TOTAL ENROLLMENT	802

Number of Full-Time Faculty \* As of 8/28/2024

# Marking System

A numeric grading system is used. A passing grade is 70%.

# **Class Rank**

Class Rank is determined by the WEIGHTED Quality Point Average, giving greater weight to more difficult courses in the curriculum.

# **GPA Calculation**

Pope John Paul II High School uses a 6.0 GPA Scale shared by all 15 member high schools of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. GPA is calculated by considering both the grade earned and level taken of each course a student has taken. Not all courses have the opportunity to enroll at the AP or Honors level, and all courses not designated as AP or Honors are calculated at the CP (College Prep) level.

#### **First Honors:**

Grade average of 93 or better with no grade below 90

#### Second Honors:

Grade average of 88-92.9 with no grade below 85

Honors are calculated at the close of each quarter.

# **AP Course Offerings**

**English Language and Composition English Literature and Composition** Calculus AB Calculus BC **Computer Science Principles** World History: Modern **US Government and Politics US History** Human Geography Music Theory Pre-Calculus Psychology Biology Chemistry **Environmental Science** Physics I Physics C

## **Honors Program**

Over 49 Honors level courses are available in all content areas including electives. Students must meet and maintain specific criteria to enroll in honors courses.

### **Diocesan Scholars Program**

The top 30 juniors, based on the cumulative rank at the end of the 1st semester, are given an opportunity to apply for admission into the Diocesan Scholars Program. Selection into this program provides the Diocesan Scholar an opportunity to take four college courses for college credit at a nearby Catholic college during his or her senior year. Advanced Placement quality points will be applied to the grades earned in these courses.

# **Dual Enrollment Partnerships**

Immaculata University Montgomery County Community College

Open to 11th and 12th grade students who meet the academic requirements for participation. AP Quality Points are applied to the grades earned in these courses.

### Vocational/Technical Programming

### **Arrupe Virtual Learning Institute**

Students in 11th and 12th Grade are eligible to be considered for Dual Enrollment programs with AVLI. This program offers standard and AP Courses expanding the course offerings for curious students. All of the AP Courses offered through AVLI are College Board approved, and AP Testing is coordinated by PJP.

#### **Panther Pathways**

STEAM Pathway Health Career Pathway

#### PAWS Program: Panthers Achieving Worthwhile Success Panther Performance Class Accommodation Plans

# **Cluster Electives**

Montgomery County Intermediate Unit Study Strategies Math Strategies

