



SAINT URSULA ACADEMY

PREPARING WOMEN FOR A CHANGING WORLD

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2009-2010 School Profile

Catholic College Preparatory School for Young Women

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Our Mission

Saint Ursula Academy is a Catholic, college-preparatory secondary school for young women sponsored by the Ursulines of Cincinnati in the spirit of Angela Merici, their foundress. The administrators, faculty and staff are dedicated to preparing women of faith, integrity and courage to meet the future with moral values and standards of excellence, exercising Christian leadership and service in family, church, and society. Saint Ursula seeks cultural and socio-economic diversity by drawing students from the entire Greater Cincinnati area, including Indiana and Kentucky, to its centrally located, urban campus in east Walnut Hills. The current enrollment is 668 students, including 165 seniors, representing over 70 elementary school and approximately 25 districts.

The Characteristics of An Ursuline Education

- The Christ-centered spirit of St. Angela Merici is a guiding factor in the school.
- The recognition of the dignity and gifts of women.
- An emphasis on the development of the whole person.
- Academic excellence in all subjects.
- Commitment to Christian service.
- An emphasis on diversity within the school.
- Personal care for the individual.
- A spirit of optimism and openness.
- A strong family spirit within the school.

Academic Requirements

All students are required to complete an intensive four-year curriculum in English, mathematics, science, social studies, foreign language, religion and fine arts. Students prepare for a diploma by completing **at least 25 credits as follows:**

Subject	Credits
Religion	4 credits
English	4 credits
Mathematics	3 credits
Science	4.5 credits (3 courses, 1.5 credit each including lab)
Foreign Language	3 credits
Social Studies	3.5 credits
Health/Physical Education	1 credit
Fine Arts	1 credit
Electives	1 credit

- Saint Ursula Academy does not participate in post secondary options
- All students are fully scheduled (no study halls)

Block Schedule

Saint Ursula Academy adopted a four-bell block schedule beginning with the 1999-2000 school year. Each term, students have four 90-minute classes. Full credit courses are completed in one semester and half credit courses are completed in one term.

Instructional Levels Offered

College preparatory, Honors and Advanced Placement (AP)

AP Courses Offered (14 Total)

Enrollment in these classes is competitive and limited. Students qualify on the basis of academic performance and faculty recommendations.

Art History	Computer Science	Latin Language
Art Studio	English Literature	Physics
Biology	European History	Spanish Language
Calculus AB	French Language	U.S. History
Chemistry	Government/Politics	

- Generally students take no more than 6 AP courses in four years
- In 2009 183 students took 262 AP exams
- In 2009 71% of the exams were scored a 3 or higher

Educational Services Program

Approximately 10% of the students at Saint Ursula Academy participate in a learning disabilities program where they are completely mainstreamed within the college preparatory curriculum.

GPA and Class Rank

Admission to Saint Ursula is selective based on entrance test scores, overall grade school performance and standardized testing. Due to this homogenous population, **SAINT URSULA ACADEMY DOES NOT RANK.**

Grading

The following alpha system is used at the Academy. The numeric equivalents are given for comparison purposes.

Numeric Symbol	Grade Point Value	College Prep	Honors	A.P. Value
97-100	A+	4.33	4.83	5.33
93-96	A	4.00	4.50	5.00
90-92	A-	3.67	4.17	4.67
87-89	B+	3.34	3.84	4.34
83-86	B	3.00	3.50	4.00
80-82	B-	2.67	3.17	3.67
77-79	C+	2.34	2.84	3.34
73-76	C	2.00	2.50	3.00
70-72	C-	1.67	2.17	2.67
68-69	D+	1.34	1.84	2.34
65-67	D	1.00	1.50	2.00
64-0	F	0.00	0.00	0.00

Grade Distribution for Class of 2010 (165 students)

**GPA for present Senior Class
(based on 6 semesters)** **#/% of Seniors
(Class of 2010)**

4.00 +	31/18.7%
3.50 – 3.99	62/37.6%
3.00 – 3.49	55/33.3%
2.50 – 2.99	15/9.1%
2.00 – 2.49	2/1.2%

Statistics

National Merit Recognition

Class	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
Semifinalists & Commended	18	26	21	17	15
National Achievement Recognition	3		1	3	1
National Hispanic Recognition				1	

Enrollment: 668

Professional Staff: of the 90 faculty/staff members 75% hold a graduate or post graduate degree.

Student teacher ratio: 13:1

Standardized Testing

SAT	SUA Class 2009 Mean	National Mean 2009
Critical Reading	606	501
Math	591	515
Writing	626	493
Composite (2400)	1823	1509

99% of the Class of 2009 took an SAT

ACT	SUA Class 2009 Mean	National Mean 2009
English	28	21
Math	26	21
Reading	28	22
Science Reasoning	25	21
Composite	27	21

95% of the Class of 2009 took an ACT

Spotlight on Leadership and Community Service

Community Service has always been a tradition at Saint Ursula Academy. Continued commitment to service is demonstrated by student involvement in both school and the wider community including (but not limited to) the following:

- Tutoring/Mentoring within and outside Saint Ursula
- Summer Mission Trips and Weekend Appalachian Trips
- Volunteering at area soup kitchens
- Helping with developmentally disabled youth
- Housing rehab
- Working at the Cincinnati Ronald McDonald House
- Assisting with elderly Little Sisters of the Poor
- Weekly mission collections at school
- Canned Food Drives/Personal Care Drives

Spotlight on Sports

- Harold A. Meyer Award for Good Sportsmanship, Ethics and Integrity from OHSAA – 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009
- 18 State Championships since 1993, including cross country, golf, soccer, swimming & diving, and volleyball
- 8 State Runner-Ups since 1993 including basketball, golf, soccer, swimming & diving, and volleyball
- 14 years as GGCL All-Sport award winner since 1993

Spotlight on Fine Arts

- SUAVE (Saint Ursula Academy Vocal Ensemble) Carnegie Hall (NY) performances: 1999, 2001, 2004 and 2007
- From 1995-2008, SUAVE, SUASO (Orchestra) and Concert Choir have won 31 First-Place trophies, collectively, in national competitions. SUAVE has won 10 Overall Choral Awards and 4 Grand Sweepstakes Awards. SUASO has won 2 Overall Instrumental Awards.
- In 2004 and 2007, SUA Ensemble Theatre (SET) represented the U.S. and performed at the Fringe Festival in Edinburgh, Scotland.
- For the past 5 years, from 2004-2008, SET has been invited to showcase at the State Thespian Conference.

Saint Ursula Academy Statistics

The Class of 2009

193	Class size
100%	Enrolled in 4-year colleges and universities
41%	Enrolled in out-of-state colleges and universities
59%	Enrolled in Ohio colleges and universities
89%	of the Class of 2009 merited scholarships totaling approximately 23 million dollars

COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES OFFERING ADMISSION TO ST. URSULA STUDENTS FROM 2004-2009

Adrian College, MI
 Agnes Scott College, GA
 Alabama State University, AL
 Appalachian State University, NC
 Arizona State University, AZ
 Allegheny College, PA
 American University, DC
 Auburn University, AL
 Baldwin-Wallace College, OH
 Ball State University, IN
 Baylor University, TX
 Bellarmine University, KY
 Belmont University, TN
 Beloit College, WI
 Boston College, MA
 Boston Conservatory, MA
 Boston University, MA
 Bowling Green State University, OH
 Bradley University, IL
 Bucknell University
 Butler University, IN
 Capital University, OH
 Carnegie Mellon University, PA
 Case Western Reserve University, OH
 Catholic University of America, DC
 Cedarville University
 Central Michigan University, MI
 Central State University
 Centre College, KY
 Clemson University, SC
 Coastal Carolina University, SC
 Colgate College, NY
 College of Charleston, SC
 College of Mount St. Joseph, OH
 College of the Atlantic, ME
 College of William & Mary, VA
 College of Wooster, OH
 Colorado College, CO
 Colorado State University, CO
 Columbia College Chicago, IL
 Columbus College of Art & Design, OH
 Columbia University, NY
 Cornell University, NY
 Connecticut College, CT
 Creighton University, NE
 Cumberland College, KY
 Dartmouth College, NH
 Defiance College, OH
 Denison University, OH
 DePaul University, IL
 DePauw University, IN
 Dillard University, LA
 Dominican University, IL
 Drexel University, PA
 Duke University, NC
 Duquesne University, PA
 Earlham College, IN
 East Carolina University, NC
 Eastern Kentucky University, KY
 Eastern Michigan University, MI

Eckerd College, FL
 Elmhurst College, IL
 Elon College, NC
 Emerson College, MA
 Emory University, GA
 Fairfield University, CT
 Fisk University, TN
 Florida A&M University, FL
 Florida State University, FL
 Fordham University, NY
 Franciscan University/Steubenville, OH
 Furman University, SC
 Gannon University, PA
 George Mason University, VA
 George Washington University, DC
 Georgetown College, KY
 Georgetown University, DC
 Georgia Institute of Technology, GA
 Gettysburg College, PA
 Good Samaritan College of Nursing and Health Sciences
 Goucher College, MD
 Hampton University, VA
 Hanover College, IN
 Heidelberg College, OH
 Hendrix College, AR
 High Point University, NC
 Hillsdale College, MI
 Hiram College, OH
 Holy Cross College, IN
 Hood College, MD
 Hope College, MI
 Howard University, DC
 Indiana Institute of Technology, IN
 Indiana University Bloomington, IN
 Iowa State University, IA
 Ithaca University, NY
 James Madison University, VA
 John Carroll University, OH
 Kent State University, OH
 Kenyon College, OH
 Lafayette College, PA
 Lake Forest College, IL
 Lehigh University, PA
 Loyola College in Maryland, MD
 Loyola Marymount University, CA
 Loyola University Chicago, IL
 Loyola University New Orleans, LA
 Manchester College
 Marian College, IN
 Marietta College, OH
 Marquette University, WI
 Marshall University, WV
 Mars Hill College, NC
 Marymount Manhattan College, NY
 Marymount University, VA
 Marysville College, OH
 Massachusetts College of Art, MA
 McGill University, Canada
 Mercyhurst College, PA
 Miami University, OH
 Michigan State University, MI
 Millikan University, IL
 Mount Holyoke College, MA
 Muhlenberg College, PA
 Muskingum College, OH

New York University/Tish School of the Arts, NY
 North Carolina State University, NC
 Northern Kentucky University, KY
 Northeastern University, MA
 Northwestern State University of Louisiana, LA
 Northwestern University, IL
 Ohio Northern University, OH
 Ohio State University, OH
 Ohio University, OH
 Ohio Wesleyan University, OH
 Old Dominion University, VA
 Otterbein College, OH
 Palm Beach Atlantic University, FL
 Parsons School of Design, New School University, NY
 Penn State University, PA
 Philadelphia University, PA
 Philadelphia University of the Arts, PA
 Pikeville College, KY
 Point Park College, PA
 Pratt Institute, NY
 Providence College, RI
 Purdue University, IN
 Regis College, CO
 Roanoke College, VA
 Rhodes College, TN
 Rochester Institute of Technology, NY
 Roger Williams University, RI
 Rollins College, FL
 Roosevelt University
 Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology, IN
 Rutgers University, NJ
 Saint Francis University
 Saint John's University, NM
 Salva Regina University, RI
 Santa Clara University, CA
 Savannah School of Art & Design, GA
 School of the Art Institute of Chicago, IL
 School of Visual Arts, NY
 Seton Hall University, NJ
 Simmons College, MA
 Skidmore College, NY
 Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania
 Smith College, MA
 South Dakota State University, MO
 Southeast Missouri State University, MO
 Southern Illinois University, IL
 Southern Methodist University, TX
 Southwestern University, TX
 Spalding University, KY
 Spelman College, GA
 Spring Hill College, AL
 St. Anselm College, NH
 St. Joseph's College, IN
 St. Joseph's College, NY
 St. Joseph's University, PA
 St. Louis University, MO
 St. Mary's College of Maryland, MD
 St. Mary's College-Notre Dame, IN
 St. Michael's College, VT
 St. Olaf College, MN
 St. Xavier University, IL
 Stanford University, CA
 Stetson University, FL
 Syracuse University, NY
 Texas A & M University, TX
 The Catholic University of America, DC
 The University of Findlay, OH
 Thomas More College, KY
 Transylvania University, KY
 Tulane University, LA
 Unity College, ME
 University of Akron, OH
 University of Alabama, AL
 University of Arizona, AZ
 University of Arkansas, AR
 University of California, CA
 University of Charleston, WV
 University of Chicago, IL
 University of Cincinnati, OH

University of Cincinnati-CCM, OH
 University of Colorado Boulder, CO
 University of Dallas, TX
 University of Dayton, OH
 University of Delaware, DE
 University of Denver, CO
 University of Detroit Mercy, MI
 University of Evansville, IN
 University of Florida, FL
 University of Georgia, GA
 University of Hawaii, HI
 University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, IL
 University of Illinois-Chicago, IL
 University of Indianapolis, IN
 University of Kentucky, KY
 University of Louisville, KY
 University of Maine, ME
 University of Maryland, MD
 University of Massachusetts, MA
 University of Miami, FL
 University of Michigan, MI
 University of Minnesota, MN
 University of Mississippi, MS
 University of Montana, MT
 University of Nevada, NV
 University of New Hampshire, NH
 University of New Mexico, NM
 University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, NC
 University of Northern Colorado, CO
 University of Notre Dame, IN
 University of Oregon, OR
 University of Pennsylvania, PA
 University of Pittsburgh, PA
 University of Portland, OR
 University of Richmond, VA
 University of Rhode Island, RI
 University of Rochester, NY
 University of San Diego, CA
 University of San Francisco, CA
 University of South Carolina, SC
 University of South Dakota, SD
 University of Southern California, CA
 University of South Florida, FL
 University of Tampa, FL
 University of Tennessee/Knoxville, TN
 University of Texas, TX
 University of the Arts, PA
 University of the Pacific, CA
 University of Toledo, OH
 University of Utah, UT
 University of Vermont, VT
 University of Virginia, VA
 University of Washington, WA
 University of Wisconsin, WI
 University of Wyoming, WY
 Urbana University, OH
 Ursuline College, OH
 Vanderbilt University, TN
 Villanova University, PA
 Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, VA
 Wake Forest University, NC
 Walsh University, OH
 Washington University, MO
 Washington and Jefferson College, PA
 Washington and Lee University, VA
 Webster University, MO
 West Virginia University, WV
 Western Kentucky University, KY
 Wheaton College, MA
 Wheeling Jesuit College, WV
 Williams College, MA
 Wilmington College, OH
 Winthrop University, SC
 Wittenberg University, OH
 Wofford College, SC
 Wright State University, OH
 Xavier University, OH
 Xavier University of Louisiana, LA