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It is something you will notice the moment you step through the doors of Archbishop Curley: a sense of family and brotherhood central to our identity. Our heritage as a Franciscan high school is modeled after the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the life of St. Francis of Assisi.

St. Francis found happiness only after giving up his pursuits of wealth and personal glory and answering God's call to a life of simplicity and service. Leading by example, Francis soon had a small group of followers who wished to find the same peace in their own lives. This group came to be known as the Franciscan Friars, and their ideals live on today within the Curley community. Our uniquely Franciscan approach to educating young men is found nowhere else in the state.

This is a community where young men's character and inspirations are molded by our intimate teaching environment and reinforced with the knowledge that God loves them individually, uniquely,

and thoroughly. Walk down our halls or step onto our athletic fields and you will see young men with their heads held high with respect for their teachers and classmates. You will see their passion when they look you in the eye and show you what it means to live these Franciscan ideals.

For over 50 years the Franciscan Friars and lay faculty have ushered boys through these doors and watched with pride when they exit as men. Curley Men. Men with a Franciscan heart, a thirst for knowledge, and a yearning to serve. Men who will continue to live these principles long after walking out these doors.



LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear Prospective Students & Parents:

For over 50 years, the Curley story has been one of individuals shaped by a uniquely Franciscan approach to education: holistic in its scope and personal in its nature. This philosophy not only develops patterns of mental discipline and clarity in thought, but also endeavors to instill generosity, kindness, gratitude, compassion, an appreciation of beauty, and other “habits of the heart.” The result is a young man who, having learned “what to know” and “how to love,” reaches his full potential. Academics, athletics, fine arts, spiritual growth, and community service are the pillars of a Curley education.

I am very proud that 99% of our graduates go on to universities and colleges across the country, earning millions of dollars in scholarships. But what satisfies me most is hearing alumni tell me how their Franciscan education has shaped their lives. Curley men go on to become good husbands and fathers, better friends, and successful in their chosen career because of the values and principles that they learned at Curley and now live each day.

As you peruse this view book, please consider the benefits that an investment in an Archbishop Curley education can have on your future. For the student, opportunities for growth and involvement are around every corner. Curley is a place where friends are made for life. For parents, Curley is the place where you can feel confident that you have done the best for your son, and that the sacrifices you make will benefit him for a lifetime. Archbishop Curley graduates are very well prepared academically, and they are prepared for the demands of life in our modern society. Curley is the place where boys mature into well-rounded Christian gentlemen. They will carry with them always that Franciscan spirit of Brotherhood! I invite you to visit our campus and see for yourself the difference Curley can make in your life. Curley certainly made a difference in my own life, and I would like to help share that with you. God bless your family and the Curley Family as well!

I wish you “Peace & All Good Things,”

Fr. Donald Grzymiski, OFM Conv.

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President



BE INGENIOUS

OUR ACTIVE LEARNING PHILOSOPHY

Curley's philosophy of **21st century active learning** recognizes that instruction must be student-centered, for the days of lecturing are past.

Education today is collaborative, with students learning to work together on projects, in finding answers, in seeking workable solutions. Active learning is employed by notable universities across the country. Curley continues with the traditional goal of wanting its students to find success and happiness, but also to be prepared to be lifelong learners, true contributors to the common good of society. As a 1-1 iPad school the Curley student has the world's knowledge in his hands, and with others learns how to effectively access knowledge and use it responsibly.

Moreover, a Curley education is in the Franciscan tradition, a tradition that began in the universities of 13th century Europe. The goals of a Franciscan education are three-fold: to convey information, as a basis of all learning; to offer formation, for the best-lived life of each individual; and to encourage transformation, the spiritual growth of a person in relation to his God.

Honors

The **Honors Pathway** is designed to challenge the highly talented and motivated student to pursue the AP and Honors courses, the dual-enrollment courses, and the availability of personalized attention to develop his gifts and know how to use them. For an elite group of students, the St.

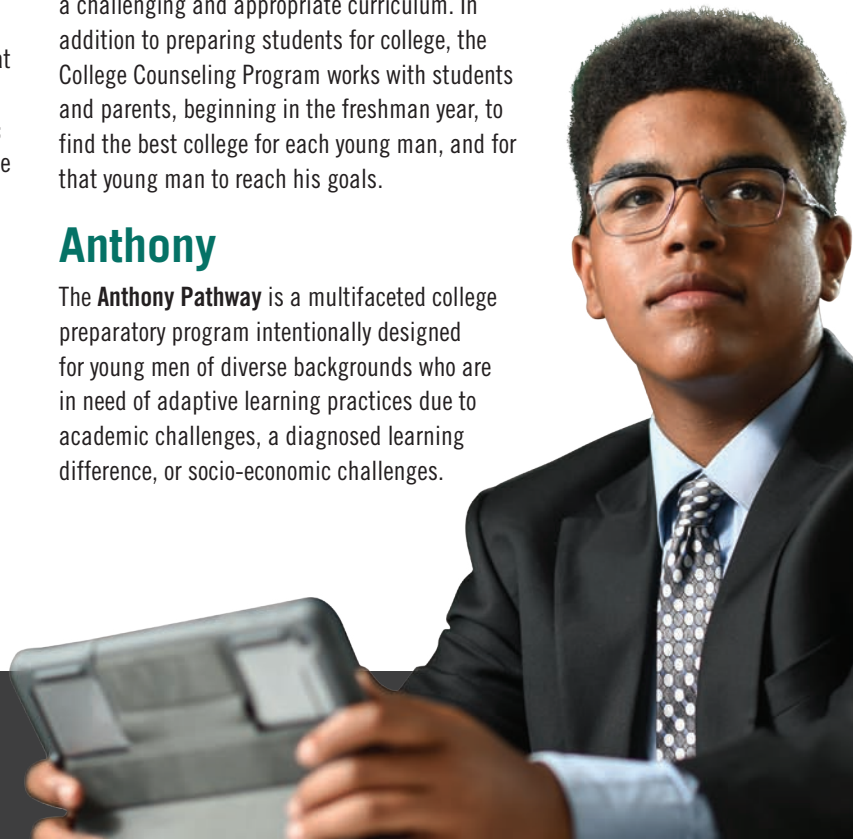
Bonaventure Scholars are challenged beyond the standard honors criteria to engage in their personal academic group leading to a Capstone Project. Special programs throughout the four years give a breadth, and a challenge, to their learning that goes well beyond the classroom.

College Prep

Curley's general **College Prep Pathway** focuses on the 21st Century skills needed for success in the modern world. A student's placement within this pathway is evaluated on a regular basis by the faculty to ensure a challenging and appropriate curriculum. In addition to preparing students for college, the College Counseling Program works with students and parents, beginning in the freshman year, to find the best college for each young man, and for that young man to reach his goals.

Anthony

The **Anthony Pathway** is a multifaceted college preparatory program intentionally designed for young men of diverse backgrounds who are in need of adaptive learning practices due to academic challenges, a diagnosed learning difference, or socio-economic challenges.



Learn more about our academic programs at
archbishopcurley.org/academics

BE ATHLETIC



CURLEY ATHLETICS

As a member of the Maryland Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA), we are bound by guidelines and policies established by this organization. Archbishop Curley currently fields 28 teams competing in 14 interscholastic sports.

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| Baseball | Ice Hockey | Tennis |
| Basketball | Indoor Track | Track & Field |
| Cross Country | Lacrosse | Volleyball |
| Football | Soccer | Wrestling |
| Golf | Swimming | |

Learn more about our athletics programs at
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BE INSTRUMENTAL

THE ARTS ARE THE GATEWAY TO YOUR SOUL.

We believe that the arts inspire creativity and confidence that will benefit a young man's life beyond the stage and studio. Our students are challenged to explore, discover, and develop their creative energies in a variety of ways. Whether it is theater, choral or instrumental music, writing, painting, drawing, or photography, our students are always encouraged to share their gifts with the rest of the Curley community.

In fact, if you know anything about Curley, you are probably familiar with the renowned Performing Arts Program recognized as a gold standard in the Baltimore area.

Our magnificent Holthaus Center for the Arts houses Curley's Instrumental Music, Choral Music, Visual Art, and Theater programs. This \$4.4 million, 12,000-square-foot facility includes rehearsal rooms, art studios, and backstage access to the performance stage.

Everyone is encouraged to explore his God-given talents and participate in the Visions literary magazine, the CORD yearbook, digital photography classes, Blackfriars' Theatre, choral and instrumental music programs, and more. If you have an interest in the arts, there is no place better than Archbishop Curley to take your talent to new heights.



Learn more about our fine arts programs at
archbishopcurley.org/finearts

VISIT CURLEY

The 34th Street Lights in Hampden.
Domino Sugar. Oriole Park at Camden
Yards. The Ravens against the Steelers.
Some things must be experienced first
hand to be fully appreciated. The same
applies to choosing a school.

There are plenty of educational options for young men in the Baltimore area, but there's only one Archbishop Curley High School. We are, of course, biased in our praise of Curley so we encourage you to come see for yourself. Walk our halls, get to know our community, and we think you will agree that there is no place quite like it.

Why Curley? That is an easy question to answer. But better yet, let us show you why! Spend time with us as a "Friar for the Day" by shadowing one of our freshmen.

Schedule a tour to visit our Sinclair Lane campus with your family. Stop by our Open House to get a feel for what makes Curley a special place. Find out what it truly means to be part of our Curley Family. And join the thousands of graduates before you at the place "Where Brotherhood Begins."



FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Visit www.archbishopcurley.org, call the Admissions Office at (410) 485-5000 x209, or better yet, stop by and see us!