



ACADEMY OF OUR LADY OF MERCY

Lauralton Hall

OPEN HOUSE

October 4

TEST DATES

October 17

October 24

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MISSION

Lauralton Hall's unique mission is to foster a community atmosphere enriched by the Mercy tradition and to educate young women to pursue knowledge, recognize truth, and respond to the needs of others.

PROMISE STATEMENT

Lauralton Hall is the Catholic, college-preparatory school that empowers a young woman to excel in any endeavor, to find her own voice, and to be a bearer of mercy to those in need.

SCHOOL PROFILE

Established in 1905 by the Sisters of Mercy, the Academy of Our Lady of Mercy, Lauralton Hall educates young women in grades 9-12. It is the oldest independent Catholic college preparatory school for young women in Connecticut. Located on a 30-acre campus, it surrounds an 1864 Victorian mansion. Three academic buildings house a library, auditorium, gymnasium and chapel. A member of the National Coalition of Girls Schools, Lauralton Hall is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges and the Connecticut Department of Education.

STUDENT BODY

More than 430 young women from 35 Connecticut towns commute by bus, train or car. The student body is composed of young women from diverse socio-economic, religious and ethnic backgrounds.

- **79% are Catholic**
- **21% receive financial aid**
- **15% are students of color**

ACADEMICS

The school offers a rigorous college preparatory curriculum, which emphasizes a mastery of analytical and critical thinking skills, problem solving, and the ability to communicate ideas effectively. Honors and advanced placement courses are offered.

Lauralton Hall offers advanced placement (AP) courses in Biology, Calculus, English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, Environmental Science, European History, French, Latin, Microeconomics, Music Theory, Physics, Spanish and United States History.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of 25 credits, which must include six major subject areas (English, World Languages, History, Mathematics, Science, and Religion), a fine arts course, physical education and 75 hours of community service.

CLASS OF 2009 MEAN SAT SCORES

	CRITICAL READING	MATH	WRITING
Lauralton Hall	548	531	562
Connecticut	509	513	512
National	501	515	493
Top 25% of Class	600	590	620

GUIDANCE PROGRAM

Guidance seminars and individual conferences are an integral part of each student's schedule during her four years, with ongoing evaluation.

FINE ARTS

Lauralton Hall offers fine arts courses in studio art, art history, theater, instrumental ensemble, music history, music theory and chorus.

SPIRITUALITY

While deeply rooted in the Roman Catholic tradition and the values of the sponsoring Religious Sisters of Mercy, Lauralton Hall welcomes students of all faiths. Lauralton Hall is one of 40 Mercy high schools in the United States and shares with other Mercy secondary schools the following core values:

- **Compassion and service**
- **Educational excellence**
- **Concern for women and women's issues**
- **Global vision and responsibility**
- **Spiritual growth and development**
- **Collaboration**

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

ATHLETICS

- The school is a member of the Connecticut Interscholastic Athletic Conference (CIAC) and the South West Conference (SWC)
- **There are fifteen (15) varsity sports:** basketball, cheerleading, cross country, field hockey, golf, gymnastics, indoor track, lacrosse, skiing, soccer, softball, swimming & diving, tennis, track and field, and volleyball
- Lauralton Hall's softball team won the 2004, 2005 and 2008 Class M Championship

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Students may participate in academic teams, clubs, social activities, community service and cultural trips.

FACULTY AND ADMINISTRATION

- Six Administrators, thirty-five faculty members, and four guidance counselors
- Sisters of Mercy: two staff and two board members as well as other volunteers
- Average class size: 18
- Faculty with advanced degrees: 77%

FINANCIAL DATA

Tuition: \$13,315 plus \$250 activity/technology fee, books and uniform

Sports fee: \$100 fee per sport per athlete

Scholarships and financial aid available.

MOTTO

Fides consequitur quodquonque petit translated is
"Faith attains all that it seeks."

ALUMNAE

Sixty-five percent of Luralton Hall alumnae live in Connecticut. Today, alumnae are represented among a broad array of professions from accounting to veterinary sciences.

ADMISSIONS INFORMATION

For further information, please contact:

Mrs. Kathleen O. Shine, Director of Admissions and Financial Aid at (203) 877-2786, extension 125 or kshine@luraltonhall.org.

COLLEGE PLACEMENT

Typically, 100% of each graduating class enters more than 50 different colleges including many of the countries most competitive. Colleges and universities at which graduates were accepted in the last four years include:

Albertus Magnus College	Dickinson College	Lehigh University	Sacred Heart University	University of Mary
Alfred University	Drew University	Loyola College-Maryland	Saint Anselm College	Washington
Allegheny College	Drexel University	Loyola Marymount University	Saint Bonaventure University	University of Maryland
American University	Duke University	Loyola University-Chicago	Saint John's University	University of Massachusetts-
Amherst College	Duquesne University	Loyola University	Saint Joseph College	Amherst
Arcadia University	East Carolina University	- New Orleans	Saint Joseph's University	University of Miami
Arizona State University	Eastern CT State University	Lynchburg College	Saint Lawrence University	University of Mississippi
Assumption College	Eckerd College	Manhattan College	Saint Mary's College	University of New Hampshire
Auburn University	Elon University	Manhattanville College	Saint Michael's College	University of New Haven
Babson College	Emerson College	Marist College	Salve Regina University	Univ of North Carolina-
Bard College	Emmanuel College	Marquette University	Santa Clara University	Greensboro
Baylor University	Endicott College	Marymount Manhattan	Sarah Lawrence College	Wilmington
Bentley College	Fairfield University	College	School of Visual Arts	University of Notre Dame
Berklee College of Music	Fairleigh Dickinson University	Mary Washington College	Seton Hall University	University of Pennsylvania
Boston College	Fashion Institute	Massachusetts College	Siena College	University of Rhode Island
Boston University	of Technology	of Pharmacy	Sierra Nevada College	University of Richmond
Bowdoin College	Fordham University	Massachusetts Institute	Simmons College	University of Rochester
Bowling Green	Franklin & Marshall College	of Technolo	Skidmore College	University of San Diego
State University	Franklin Pierce College	Merrimack College	Smith College	University of San Francisco
Brandeis University	Furman University	Miami University-Ohio	Southern CT State University	University of Scranton
Bridgeport Hosp.	George Mason University	Monmouth University	Southern Methodist University	University of South Carolina
School/Nursing	George Washington University	Montclair State University	Springfield College	University of Tampa
Brown University	Georgetown University	Mount Holyoke College	State University of New York-	
Bryant University	Georgia Technical Institute	Muhlenberg College	Buffalo	University of Tennessee
Bucknell University	Gettysburg College	New York University	Stetson University	University of Toronto
Carnegie Mellon University	Guilford College	Niagara University	Stonehill College	University of Vermont
Castleton State College	Gustavus Adolphus College	Northeastern University	Stony Brook University	University of Virginia
Case Western University	Hamilton College	Northwestern University	Suffolk University	University of Wisconsin
Catholic University	Hampshire College	Occidental University	Syracuse University	Vanderbilt University
Central CT State University	Hampton University	Ohio Wesleyan University	Texas Christian University	Vassar College
Champlain College	Hartt School of Music	Pace University	Trinity College (CT)	Villanova University
Clark Atlanta University	Harvard University	Parsons School of Design	Tufts University	Virginia Polytechnic Institute
Clark University	High Point University	Penn State University	Tulane University	Wagner College
Clemson University	Hobart and William	Pepperdine University	Union College	Wake Forest University
College of Charleston	Smith Colleges	Philadelphia University	U.S. Military Academy	Washington University,
College of the Holy Cross	Hofstra University	Plymouth State University	U.S. Naval Academy	St. Louis
College of William and Mary	Hollins University	Princeton University	Unity College	Wentworth Institute
Colorado State University	Howard University	Providence College	University of Alabama	of Technology
Columbia University	Indiana University	Quinnipiac University	University of Bridgeport	Wesleyan University
Connecticut College	Iona College	Rensselaer Polytechnic	University of California	West Virginia University
Cornell University	Ithaca College	Institute	- Los Angeles	Western CT State University
Culinary Institute of America	James Madison University	Rhode Island College	University of Colorado	Western New England College
Curry College	John Carroll University	Rice University	University of Connecticut	Wheaton College
Dartmouth College	Johns Hopkins University	Roanoke College	University of Delaware	Wheelock College
Davidson College	Johnson and Wales University	Rochester Institute	University of Denver	Williams College
Denison University	Keene State College	of Technology	University of Florida	Worcester Polytechnic
DePaul University	Lasell College	Roger Williams University	University of Hartford	Institute
DePauw University	La Salle University	Rollins College	University of Kentucky	Yale University
DeSales University	Lafayette College	Rutgers University	University of Maine	