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POLY'S MISSION

Poly's mission is to prepare and inspire the next diverse generation of leaders and global citizens to act with intelligence, imagination, and—above all—character.

THE SCHOOL AND THE COMMUNITY 2022–2023

Poly Prep is an academically rigorous co-educational country day school of 1,150 students. The school's 25-acre campus in the Dyker Heights section of Brooklyn, in operation since 1917, includes students in grades five through twelve with a current enrollment of 898. Our Lower School in Park Slope has 252 children enrolled from nursery to fourth grade. The school's population reflects the great urban diversity of Brooklyn and New York City. Approximately 47% of our students are children of color. Central to our educational mission is to prepare students to work and cooperate successfully in a pluralistic community. The size of the graduating class of 2023 will be 140. Poly Prep does not provide class rank. Typically, 100% of Poly Prep graduates attend four-year colleges. For the year 2021–22, Poly returned to indoor and in-person classes for 100% of the student body.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students are required to enroll in at least six courses every term through to graduation. Each student must fulfill the following requirements:

- 4 years of English
- 4 years of Mathematics
- 3 years of History
- 3 years of Science
- 3 consecutive years of the same Classical or World Language (with Level III completion)
- 5 semesters of Arts, including a visual art, music, and public-speaking course (Note: Certain students elect to specialize in a Performing Arts Pathway or a Visual Arts Pathway to complete this requirement)
- 4 years of Physical Education
- 1 semester of Computer Science/Technology
- 1 semester of Health
- 1 semester of Philosophy (grade 12)
- Senior Plan (Capstone research course for all grade 12 students)

TESTING

Average submitted ACT/SAT scores for the Class of 2022:
ACT Composite Superscore: **32**
SAT Composite Superscore: **1446**

Over 50% of the Class of 2022 submitted scores in support of their college applications.

GRADING

Average unweighted GPA, Grades 9-11, for the Class of 2023: **3.58**
Highest unweighted GPA: **4.15**
Number of unweighted GPAs exceeding 4.0: **13 out of 140**

ADVANCED COURSES

As of the 2022–23 academic year, Poly is no longer offering A.P. courses. Our new advanced curriculum does not adhere to College Board A.P. curriculum or culminate in A.P. exams. The class of 2023 therefore has some advanced work prior to Grade 12 labeled as A.P. on their transcripts, but in Grade 12 the letters "A.P." do not appear.

Advanced courses, including those using the A.P. curriculum in prior years, are offered in all departments. They are denoted on Class of 2023 transcripts as either "Advanced", "Adv", or "A.P."

PARAMETERS OF ADVANCED STUDY

Students are leveled in their first two years of Upper School and may be enrolled by the school in advanced courses in languages, math, and science. In Grades 11 and 12 their advanced courseload is a product of their individual passions, ambition, and aptitude, and decided in consultation among each student, their academic advisors, and faculty. Therefore, the number of Upper Advanced Courses (those taken in Grades 11 and 12) is the best indicator of rigor in a student's academic path.

Average number of Upper Advanced Courses taken by the Class of 2023: 3.62

Curricular Rigor Scale—Upper Advanced Courses Per Student in the Class of 2023:
8+ – Beyond most demanding curriculum – 14 students
5.5-7.5 – Most demanding curriculum – 28 students
3-5 – Very demanding curriculum – 36 students
2.5 or fewer – Demanding curriculum – 62 students

Certain advanced courses are limited as follows:
- Advanced History Seminars are not available to Grade 12 students in the second semester
- Advanced Calculus II, Linear Algebra, and Advanced Physics classes are only available to Grade 12 students except in highly unusual circumstances

OTHER ADVANCED WORK

Visual and Performing Arts: Students may be designated as advanced in performance ensembles. Concert Choir, Concert Band, and Dance all have advanced levels. Jazz Band is also considered advanced, as it is audition-based and requires a high level of musicianship. Studio Art classes also have advanced levels: semester classes such as Drawing Practices II and Advanced Digital Photography require department approval, as does the full year Advanced Drawing and Painting Portfolio class.

Accelerated Math: In addition to advanced math classes, accelerated level classes have been offered for the first time this year to students performing exceptionally well in our non-advanced curriculum. Transcripts for the class of 2023 may also include an accelerated math class in Grade 12.

Science Research: Science Research is a multi-year commitment beginning in Grade 10 or 11 involving independent research projects mentored by internal and outside faculty and culminating in presentations and science fair competition. Science Research is undertaken in addition to core science courses, not in place of them, and occupies an additional place in both semesters of a student's schedule.

Independent Studies: Students can propose to work individually with a faculty member to pursue a subject not in the curriculum and/or not able to fit in their daily schedule. Examples of recent Independent Studies include Photography, French Literature, and Creative Writing.

Excellence in the Arts: Students with exceptional levels of course rigor, participation, leadership, service, and accomplishment in the arts will graduate with a certificate of excellence in the arts, which is indicated on their final transcript.

POLY PREP'S REPORTING POLICY ON THE COLLEGE APPLICATION PROCESS

Students are expected to be honest in their communications to colleges and universities. Poly Prep and/or the student reports suspensions and expulsions that occur while a student is enrolled in grades nine through twelve to colleges and universities to which the student applies. When a suspension or expulsion occurs after college applications have been submitted, Poly Prep and/or the student informs colleges and universities about the change in the student's status.

Class of 2023 as represented in distribution of year-end final core academic courses with enrollment of 6 or more students.

Passing Grade: D
Honors Grade: A/B
Lowest Numerical Equivalency:
A=90–100 B=80–89 C=70–79
D=65–69

Transcript 2021–2022	A+	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	Total
Advanced Latin III		1	3							4
Advanced Latin IV: Catullus and Ovid		1			2					3
Ancient Greek	3	3								6
AP Latin Literature	3	3	5	4	1	1		1		18
Classics: Mythology		2	8	3	1	1				15
Latin III				1	1					2
AP Computer Science	2	4	1		1					8
AP Computer Science Principles	2	8	7	2		1				20
Computer and Information Science Electives	0	15	10	6	4	0		2		39
AP English Language		12	22	11	3					49
English Electives	5	40	80	37	15	6	3	1		188
AP United States History		6	18	12	4	3				43
Economics	2									2
History Electives	4	26	67	44	41	9	4		1	199
AP Psychology	1	5	3	1	1			1		12
Introduction to Psychology					1			1		2
Journalism and Media Studies			3							3
AP AB Calculus	1	5	12	7	3					28
AP BC Calculus		1								1
Calculus	6	3	2							11
Statistics	2	2	1							5
Discrete Math	2	1								3
History of Mathematics			1							1
Math: Financial Literacy	2		2							4
Math: Probability		3	1							4
Pre-Calculus	16	21	16	16	14	6				89
Precalculus: Part I		1	4	5	4	1	1			16
Advanced Biology: Conservation Biology		4								4
AP Chemistry					2		1			3
AP Physics 1	4	10	8	5	1			1		29
AP Physics 2			1							1
Science Electives	4	6	13	1	1					25
Physics	31	28	17	14	6	3	2	1		105
Performing Arts Electives	12	27	6	3	1	1				50
AP Music Theory		2								2
Performing Arts Ensembles	4	21	1		1					27
AP Art History		4	5		1					10
AP Art Studio	1	5	1							7
Visual Arts Electives	6	41	26	9	2	2				86
Advanced French III			1		1		1			3
Advanced French IV		5	2	1	1					9
Advanced Spanish III					1	1				2
Advanced Spanish IV			4							4
AP Chinese Language & Literature	3									3
AP French Language			1	1	1					3
AP Spanish Language		4	2	2	2					11
AP Spanish Literature		1								1
French III	2	4	1							7
French IV		2	3	1	1	2				9
Latin IVA: Prose		2		1						3
Mandarin III			1	1						2
Mandarin IV	4	4	3							11
Spanish II			1	1	1					3
Spanish III	2	2	4	1	3	6		4	1	23
Spanish IV	3	11	6	8	5	1	1	1		36
Transcript 2020–2021	**A+**	**A**	**A-**	**B+**	**B**	**B-**	**C+**	**C**	**C-**	**Total**
Advanced Latin III	20	7	1	1						29
Latin II	2	2	4							8
AP Computer Science			1							1
AP Computer Science Principles	1	2	3							6
Technology & Wellness	11	13	3	4	5					36
Eng: Creative Writing	1	8								9
English 10	11	31	34	39	24	4	3	1		149
20th Century World History		18	47	29	27	12	5	3		148
Introduction to Psychology	1	2	1		6	1		2		13
Advanced Precalculus	1	10	5	7	4	3	2	1		33
Algebra II	19	25	15	18	11	6	5	4	3	107

POLY PREP CDS UPPER SCHOOL

Class of 2023 as represented in distribution of year-end final core academic courses with enrollment of 6 or more students.

Passing Grade: D
Honors Grade: A/B
Lowest Numerical Equivalency:
A=90–100 B=80–89 C=70–79
D=65–69

Course	A+	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	Total
AP AB Calculus		1								1
Discrete Math		1								1
Math: Probability	2	1								3
Pre-Calculus	1	4				2				7
Advanced Biology		10	13	4	8					35
Chemistry	10	26	30	18	17	9	1	1	1	113
Science Research	2	1	1							4
Performing Arts Electives	18	36	17	6	2	2				81
Performing Arts Ensembles	2	32	8	1	2	1				46
Visual Arts Electives	10	34	40	5	2					91
Advanced French II						2				2
Advanced French III		3	8	2	1					14
Advanced Spanish II		1	1							2
Advanced Spanish III		4	5	3	3		1	1		17
AP Chinese Language & Literature	1									1
AP Spanish Language	1									1
French II	1	2	2	1	2	1			1	10
French III			6	1		1			1	9
Mandarin II			1	1						2
Mandarin III		5	3	2						10
Mandarin IV	1	1	1							3
Spanish I		1								1
Spanish IB	1			1	1					3
Spanish II	1	2	5	5	3	3	2		1	22
Spanish III	8	8	8	4	6	2	1	1		38
Spanish III	8	8	8	4	6	2	1	1		38

Transcript 2019–2020	A+	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	Total
Advanced Latin II	9	13	2	4	1					29
Latin I	2	4	1	1						8
Latin II	1	2		1						4
Introduction to Computer Science		1	2	1				1		5
Technology & Wellness	12	26	27	19	12	3				99
Eng: Literary Awakenings	1	31	41	35	32	10	2			152
Hist: The Modern World		14	34	38	37	20	5	3	1	152
Debate	4	9	4	1		2				20
Advanced Geometry	3	7	9	10	2	1	1			33
Advanced Precalculus		1								1
Algebra II				1	1					2
Geometry	15	36	25	18	12	5	2	2	1	116
Advanced Chemistry	8	12	10	4						34
Biology	4	12	28	21	29	11	5	8		118
Art & Gender			2	1						3
Art and Social Change		5	3	5	2					15
Performing Arts Electives	8	19	10	4	1	1		1		44
Visual Arts Electives	2	37	22	8	8	2				79
Advanced French II		3	7	3	1	1		1		16
Advanced Spanish II		11	4	5	1					21
Advanced Spanish III	1									1
French I		1	4	2	2	1				10
French II				5	1		2			8
Mandarin I			2							2
Mandarin II	1	5	4	1	1					12
Mandarin III		3								3
Mandarin IV			1							1
Spanish I	1	4	9	3	3	6		1		27
Spanish II	3	10	12	5	2	5		1		38
Computer Science		1								1
Ethics and Leadership										1

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COLLEGE MATRICULATION CLASSES OF 2018–2022

Poly graduates are currently attending the following colleges as of September 2022:

College	
American University	4
The American University of Paris	1
Amherst College*	4
Babson College	1
Bard College	2
Barnard College*	7
Bates College*	10
Bennington College	4
Boston College*	5
Boston University	3
Bowdoin College*	4
Brandeis University	2
Brown University*	8
Bryn Mawr College	3
Bucknell University	8
Carleton College	5
Carnegie Mellon University*	3
Case Western Reserve University	2
Catholic University of America	1
Chapman University	3
Claremont McKenna College*	4
Clark University	1
Clemson University	1
Colby College*	8
Colgate University*	12
College of the Holy Cross	2
Columbia University	1
Connecticut College	2
Cooper Union for the Advancement of Science and Art	1
Cornell University*	10
CUNY Bernard M Baruch College	1
Dartmouth College*	10
Davidson College	1
Dickinson College	1
Drexel University	2
Duke University*	6
Emory University*	9
Fairfield University	3
Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University*	1
Fordham University*	7
Franklin & Marshall College*	8
George Mason University	1
George Washington University*	6
Georgetown University*	8
Gettysburg College	4
Goucher College	1
Grinnell College	3
Hamilton College*	3
Hartwick College*	2
Harvard University*	1
Haverford College*	3
Hobart and William Smith Colleges	1
Howard University	4
Hult International Business School (Boston)*	2

College	
Indiana University (Bloomington)*	6
Ithaca College	3
Johns Hopkins University*	2
Kenyon College*	5
King's College London	1
Lafayette College*	6
Lehigh University*	16
Loyola Marymount University	1
Loyola University New Orleans*	2
Marist College*	1
Massachusetts Institute of Technology*	2
McGill University	1
Michigan State University*	1
Middlebury College	7
Mount Holyoke College	1
Muhlenberg College	5
New York University*	16
North Carolina State University	1
Northeastern University*	10
Northwestern University*	4
Nova Southeastern University*	1
Oberlin College	1
Occidental College*	2
Penn State University (University Park)	4
Pomona College	1
Princeton University	1
Providence College*	1
Purdue University (Main Campus)	1
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute*	4
Rhodes College	1
Rice University	3
Rochester Institute of Technology	1
Roger Williams University	1
Rutgers University (New Brunswick)	2
San Diego State University	1
Santa Clara University*	1
Savannah College of Art and Design	1
School of the Art Institute of Chicago	1
Scripps College*	1
Skidmore College*	15
Smith College	1
Southern Methodist University	2
Spelman College*	2
Springfield College	1
St. John's College (Santa Fe)*	2
St. Lawrence University	1
Stanford University	2
Stony Brook University	1
SUNY at Albany	2
SUNY at Purchase College	3
SUNY College at Potsdam	1
SUNY University at Buffalo	1
Swarthmore College*	4
Syracuse University*	7
Texas Christian University*	1

College	
The King's College	1
The New School	1
The Ohio State University (Main Campus)	3
The University of Texas at Austin	2
The University of the Arts	1
Trinity College*	4
Tufts University*	11
Tulane University of Louisiana*	16
Union College	2
United States Military Academy at West Point	2
United States Naval Academy	3
University of California (Berkeley)	2
University of California (Davis)	2
University of California (Los Angeles)*	1
University of California (San Diego)	1
University of California (Santa Barbara)	1
University of Chicago	7
University of Colorado Boulder*	7
University of Connecticut	1
University of Delaware	1
University of Denver	3
University of Florida	1
University of Kansas	1
University of Miami	8
University of Michigan*	6
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	1
University of Notre Dame	1
University of Oxford	1
University of Pennsylvania*	5
University of Richmond*	7
University of Southern California*	10
University of St Andrews*	4
University of Vermont	2
University of Virginia (Main Campus)	3
University of Wisconsin (Madison)*	14
Vanderbilt University*	2
Vassar College	2
Villanova University*	5
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University	1
Wake Forest University*	6
Washington and Lee University	2
Washington University in St. Louis*	7
Wellesley College	1
Wesleyan University*	14
West Virginia University	1
Williams College*	4
Yale University	9

*Class of 2022