



Elizabeth Seton High School

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School Profile 2009-2010

Faculty/Staff

Teachers: 51 :: Administration and Staff: 34

All teachers and administrators hold a minimum of a Bachelor's degree; over 50% hold a Masters or Masters+, with four holding Doctoral degrees.

The School

Elizabeth Seton High School is a Catholic, secondary, college preparatory school for young women founded in 1959 by the Daughters of Charity. Located in Prince George's County in a close-in suburb of Washington, D.C., the school attracts students from surrounding counties and the District of Columbia. Elizabeth Seton is committed to providing students an integrated program that stresses moral values, academic excellence, civic responsibility, and community service.

The Student Community

The Elizabeth Seton community reflects a broad ethnic, cultural, and economic diversity, contributing to the rich learning environment. Approximately 65% of the students come from various minority groups, and 43% come from religious traditions other than Catholic.

Accreditation

Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools
 Maryland State Department of Education
 National Catholic Education Association

Honors Courses

Honors courses are offered at all grade levels. Honors courses include:

Algebra 2/Trig, Honors Algebra 2, Honors Pre-Calculus, Honors Geometry/Trig, Honors Spanish 1, 2, 3, & 4, Honors French 2, 3, & 4, Anatomy/Physiology, Honors Biology, Honors Chemistry, Honors Physics, Honors English 1, 2 & 3, Honors World History, Honors Government, Honors Concert Choir, Honors Symphonic Band, Honors Adv. Studio.

AP Courses

AP Courses offered:

AP US History, AP Government and Politics, AP English, AP Biology, AP Calculus-AB/BC, AP Chemistry, AP Psychology, and AP Statistics. AP exams are also offered to students taking French 4, Studio Art, Economics, and Computer Science.

AP Scholars: 7 (2009):: 10 (2008) :: 4 (2007) :: 9 (2006) :: 6 (2005)

AP Scholars with Honor: 1 (2009) :: 1 (2008) :: 3 (2007) :: 3 (2005)

AP Scholars with Distinction: 2 (2007) :: 2 (2006) :: 1 (2005)

All students enrolled in AP courses are required to take the AP exam.

Entrance into AP and Honors courses at Elizabeth Seton is selective. Due to the overall challenging curricula, the school recommends that students limit the number of AP and Honors courses they take in a school year.

Enrollment

Grades 9-12: 649

Student/Teacher Ratio: 13-1

Average Class Size: 18

Student/Computer Ratio: 7.5-1

Class of 2010: 139

Graduation Requirements

All students must complete the following units prior to graduation.

Religious Studies	4	Social Studies	3
English	4	Science	3
Mathematics	3	Computer Technology	1
Foreign Language	2	Physical Education	1
Fine Arts	1	Health	½

Electives are required to fulfill the Maryland State Graduation Requirements. Students carry 6½ to 7 credits per academic year.

Scholarships

Scholarship and grant money awarded to graduating seniors generally exceeds \$5 million annually.

Grading System

Grade	Regular Courses	Honors Courses	AP Courses
A (94-100)	4.0	4.5	5.0
A- (90-93)	3.7	4.0	4.4
B (85-89)	3.3	3.5	3.8
B- (80-84)	2.7	3.0	3.2
C (75-79)	2.3	2.5	2.7
C- (70-74)	2.0	2.2	2.5
D (65-69)	1.0	1.0	1.5
F below 65	0.0	0.0	0.0

College Admissions Test Scores

Over the past five years, our combined SAT scores have exceeded State and National averages. While the national trend for high schools is to report only the top 50 % of their scores, Elizabeth Seton reports 100% of our students' scores.

Class of 2009 SAT Scores for Females

	Critical Reading	Math	Writing
National Average	500	500	501
MD State Average	498	499	504
Elizabeth Seton	513	500	550

Service Learning Program

Seton has a Service Learning Program based on our identity as a Catholic School, in accordance with the Vincentian Spirit and the Mission of the Daughters of Charity.

Students must complete a minimum of 20 hours per school year, 10 of which must be given to the disadvantaged. Most students exceed these minimum requirements.

Commendation

Elizabeth Seton High School was previously designated an Exemplary Private School by the United States Department of Education.

Testing Program

EXPLORE is administered to ninth graders in preparation for the ACT assessment. Tenth and eleventh graders take the PSAT, which prepares for the SAT.

Scholars Program

A Scholars Program is designed for academically gifted students who demonstrate leadership potential. Students accepted into the program are enrolled in honors courses.

National and State Awards

Elizabeth Seton consistently has students recognized in the following National and State Programs:

Maryland Distinguished Scholar Program-Talent & Arts
 Maryland Distinguished Scholar Program
 National Merit Scholarship Program

Over the past 5 years, we have had 9 Semifinalists in the National Achievement Scholarship Program.

Athletics and Sports Clubs

Elizabeth Seton High School is a member of the Washington Catholic Athletic Conference and the Swim team is a member of WMPSSDL. Seton fields teams in the following sports: Basketball (V/JV), Cheerleading, Crew (V/Novice), Field Hockey (V/JV), Lacrosse (V/JV), Soccer (V/JV), Volleyball (V/JV), Softball (V/JV), Swimming, Tennis, Track/Cross Country

Colleges offering admission to recent graduates

99% of our graduates continue in higher education immediately following high school with the majority attending four-year colleges and universities.

American University	Fairleigh Dickinson University	Louisiana State University - BR	St Augustine College	University of NC, Chapel Hill
Bennett College	Fisk University	Loyola College of MD	St. John's University	University of Notre Dame
Boston College	Florida A&M University	Loyola University	St. Joseph's University	University of Pennsylvania
Boston University	Florida Inst of Technology	Lycoming College	Stevenson University	University of Pittsburgh
Bowie State University	Fordham University	McDaniel College	Swarthmore College	University of Portland
Brandeis University	Franklin Pierce College	MD Institute College of Art	Syracuse University	University of Richmond
Brown University	Franklin & Marshall College	Marymount University - VA, NY	Temple University	University of Scranton
Cabrini College	Frostburg State University	Morgan State University	Towson State University	University of Southern California
Catholic University of America	George Mason University	Mount Holyoke College	Trinity University	University of Virginia
Clark Atlanta University	George Washington University	Mount Saint Mary's University	Tufts University	University of Wisconsin
Colgate University	Georgetown University	North Carolina A&T State U	Tulane University	Utah State University
College of Notre Dame of MD	Gettysburg College	North Carolina Central	Tuskegee University	Villanova University
Colorado State	Goucher College	North Carolina State	US Air Force Academy	Virginia Commonwealth
Columbia Union	Hampton University	New York University	US Coast Guard Academy	Virginia Polytech Inst.
Columbia University	High Point University	Northwestern University	US Naval Academy	Virginia State University
Delaware State University	Hood College	Ohio State University	University of California, Irvine	Virginia Wesleyan
Depauw University	Howard University	Ohio University	University of Chicago	Washington and Lee University
Dickinson College	Indiana University of Penn	Pennsylvania State University	University of Dayton	Washington University in St. Louis
Drake University	Iowa State University	Radford University	University of Delaware	Washington College
Drexel University	James Madison University	Rutgers University	University of Florida-Gaines.	Wellesley College
Duke University	Johns Hopkins University	Saint Francis College	University of Indiana	West Virginia University
Duquesne University	Johnson C. Smith University	Saint Mary's College of MD	University of Maryland - BC	Winston-Salem University
East Carolina University	Johnson and Wales University	Salisbury State University	University of Maryland - CP	Xavier University
Elon University	LaSalle University	Seton Hall University	University of Maryland - ES	Yale University
Emory University	Lehigh University	Spelman College	University of Miami	York College of PA

Class Rank

Students are not ranked at Elizabeth Seton High School.

Class of 2010 GPA Distribution (based on grades through the sixth semester)

The cumulative grade point average is based on a 4.0 scale and only includes grades from coursework completed at Elizabeth Seton High School. Honors and Advanced Placement courses taken at Seton are weighted. Please refer to the quality point scale used for Honors and AP courses.

3.9+ – ≥	9
3.89 – 3.75	12
3.74 – 3.50	21
3.49 – 3.25	35
3.24 – 3.00	18
2.99 – 2.75	17
2.74 – 2.50	13
2.49 – 2.25	10
2.24 – ≤	4
	139

Grade Distribution

The grade distribution for standard Junior year academic classes for the class of 2010:

