







alesianum is a brotherhood of faith and learning, committed to educating the minds and hearts of students. As Salesian gentlemen, our students are not passive learners but part of a living tradition, a legacy that builds on the optimism and tenacity of three Oblate priests who arrived from France in 1903 to establish Salesianum with just twelve students. Their courageous spirit is reflected in our school motto,

### TENUI NEC DIMITTAM I have taken hold and will not let go.

We strive daily to continue to honor the example of those who have gone before us at Salesianum, and inspire our students to build a stronger brotherhood and a better world.





### HUMILITY BEFORE GOD

GENTLENESS
WITH OUR NEIGHBOR

PATIENCE WITH OURSELVES

TENACITY
WHEN FACING CHALLENGES

COMPASSION FOR THOSE IN NEED

**GRATITUDE**OF THE PRESENT MOMENT

OPTIMISM
ABOUT THE FUTURE





The mission of Salesianum is to educate and develop the whole person based on the teachings of Saint Francis de Sales, whose spirituality can be summarized in "Live Jesus." As an independent Catholic secondary school founded by the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales in 1903, Salesianum challenges young men through dynamic college preparatory and extracurricular programs to live as Salesian Gentlemen devoted to faith, community, and service. In the words of our patron saint, we strive to be who we are and be that well. The defining characteristic of the Salesian spirit is a humble reliance on the love of God, always maintaining tenacity, compassion, and gentle strength in the face of adversity. To *Live Jesus* is to remember that Salesianum is called to be light for others, a beacon, clear and bright. We embrace this vocation every time we say the prayer that unites us as a Salesian family, the DIRECTION OF INTENTION:

My God, give me the grace to perform this action with you and through love for you.

In advance, I offer you all the good that I may do and accept all the difficulties I may meet therein.



# BECURIOUS



#### ST. FRANCIS DE SALES BELIEVED KNOWLEDGE TO BE THE EIGHTH SACRAMENT.

Salesianum is dedicated to doing all it can to help each student develop a lifelong love of learning. This begins with a rigorous academic curriculum that encourages students to pursue academic passions in creative and innovative ways, faculty dedicated to helping each student reach his full intellectual and individual potential, and state-of-the-art facilities and technology to expand educational opportunities.

Our approach is designed to prepare students for success in college and is customized to ensure that each student's unique schedule is tailored to his individual academic strengths and interests for the best learning and growth. In addition to getting students ready for the next level, we want them to grow and develop as well-rounded young men during their high school years. We want to create an environment where they can thrive academically, personally, and spiritually.

True to our mission, Salesianum offers an academically rigorous, college-preparatory education designed to promote critical thinking and intellectual growth, develop the whole person, and prepare students for success after high school. Students can choose from over 195 courses in eight academic departments as they select their courses, including more than 60 Honors and AP courses offered. Additionally, we offer AP Capstone, a program by the College Board, that provides students with the valued skills of independent research, collaborative teamwork, and effective communication. Our rigorous academic curriculum is structured and taught in five levels of difficulty through our Phasing System.









# BEURAGEOUS

**OUR ATHLETICS PHILOSOPHY AND INSPIRATION** is built upon the timeless words of our patron saint, Francis de Sales, who believed, "Nothing is so strong as gentleness, nothing so gentle as real strength." Salesianum's athletic program holds a long-standing reputation for excellence that extends far beyond the game.



Through a rich tradition of helping young men realize their potential and fostering a unique sense of school spirit and pride, generations of Salesian brothers have rejoiced in the collective talents of their teammates while developing a deep respect for those they face in competition.

ANUI

What Salesianum values more than any title, win, or public recognition is our students' quietly achieved personal victories that combine with powerful life lessons learned through

perseverance, grit, and a commitment to a cause greater than oneself. We seek coaches who inspire while developing athleticism and teach respect and love of oneself and others during the most challenging moments on and off the field.

Salesianum offers robust, diverse interscholastic and intramural athletics opportunities and consistently fields competitive teams that are recognized at the state and national levels.





FALL

**Cross Country** 

Football

Soccer

WINTER

**Basketball** 

Ice Hockey

Swimming

Track (Indoor)

Wrestling

SPRING

Baseball

Golf

Lacrosse

Rugby

**Tennis** 

Track & Field

Volleyball

Crew

Cricket

**Disc Golf** 

Dodgeball

Mini-Stick Lacrosse

**Mountain Biking** 

**Outdoor Adventure Club** 

**Ping Pong** 

Rowing

Sailing

Scuba Diving

Spikeball

**Ultimate Frisbee** 

Basketball Cornhole

**E-Sports** 

Flag Football

Floor Hockey

Indoor Futsal (Soccer)

**Pickleball** 

Wiffleball

## BEDICATED



THE CENTER FOR FAITH AND JUSTICE is a hub for putting our faith into action. Located in the Student Union, it provides a space for students to work with faculty to pray, plan school liturgies, develop retreats, and map out meaningful service projects across the globe. While embracing Salesianum's mission of celebrating and fostering each student's individual gifts, they are encouraged to share these gifts with the school community and beyond. Rooted in the spiritual vision of Saint Francis de Sales, Salesianum empowers students to strive for something bigger than ourselves by serving those in need. Each of our students will participate in masses and prayer services, retreats, and service-learning projects. Our Center for Faith and Justice (CFJ) coordinates these programs, a place for our students to explore their faith. Service opportunities are unique to Salesianum, as each grade participates in their own service project to provide each student with a transformative experience that he can share and discuss with his peers.

Our Building Relationships In Diverse Global Environments Program (BRIDGE) provides lifelong learning opportunities through meeting people and experiencing how they live in a variety of cultural environments and by confronting key issues facing people in their everyday lives.

#### **B.R.I.D.G.E. VISITS:**

Los Angeles, CA
Camden, NJ
White Sulphur Springs, WV
El Paso, TX
Nogales, AZ
Albuquerque, NM
Ecuador
El Salvador
Benin
South Africa
Haiti













# BE PART OF



# TRADITION

## PREPARED PREPARED





AS EXPERTS IN EDUCATING YOUNG MEN, Salesianum offers a wide range of support services to ensure that each of our students has a personalized pathway for his own academic success. Our College and School Counseling is an experienced team of school and college counselors who support each student in his growing discovery of who he is and what he wants to accomplish in life. The school counselors and college counselors work collaboratively with our students, their parents, and colleges to ensure that our students develop a path that best suits their academic and career goals beyond Salesianum.

Our wellness counselors are specially trained to help students navigate the developmental challenges of adolescence that may arise from a variety of factors, including academic, family, or peer issues. Throughout the year, we offer school-wide programming that allows students to explore a variety of topics, including anxiety and depression, conflict resolution, stress reduction, relationships, and current events.

Salesianum provides effective, targeted academic support. Whether your son simply needs extra help with a particular class assignment, recovering from an illness, or requires special testing accommodations due to his personal learning differences, the Gardner Center and its caring staff are well-equipped to provide the right balance of academic support, encouragement, and open communications with teachers and family. This is a fee-based service.

#### **COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES TO U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT TOP 25**

Brown University
Carnegie Mellon University
Columbia University
Cornell University
Dartmouth College
Emory University
Georgetown University

Harvard University
Johns Hopkins University
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Northwestern University
University of California - Berkeley
University of California - Los Angeles
University of Chicago

University of Michigan - Ann Arbor
University of Notre Dame
University of Pennsylvania
University of Southern California
University of Virginia
University of Washington
Yale University

#### MOST POPULAR COLLEGES ATTENDED

Boston College
Catholic University of America
De Sales University
Drexel University
James Madison University
Loyola University Maryland

Pennsylvania State University
- Main Campus
Saint Joseph's University
Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania
Temple University
The University of Alabama
University of Delaware

University of Notre Dame
University of South Carolina - Columbia
Villanova University
Virginia Tech
West Chester University of Pennsylvania
West Virginia University
Widener University





OUR ARTS AND INNOVATION PROGRAM reaches beyond traditional STEM programming. Whether seeking a high-level arts intensive curriculum or desiring to broaden exposure to the creative arts, Salesianum is the right destination. Our Freshmen Innovation Seminar provides foundational knowledge for building 21st-century skills while also incorporating learning content in: art, coding, motion engineering, design thinking, robotics, music, and theater. From orchestra, wind ensemble, marching and jazz bands, and art shows, to a theater program offering as many as 6 annual productions—while also offering courses in business, product development, performance, design, production, computer sciences, and media communications—Salesianum's arts programming stands out in the region.

**INNOVATION** With several electives to choose from, our students use design thinking to solve real-world problems. They create an idea, plan, prototype, and launch an actual product.



MUSIC Our students receive dynamic instruction in the fundamentals of music history, theory, technology, and the mechanics of creating and performing music. Salesianum offers a variety of music groups that perform for the school community and local charities, and participate in special trips and competitions throughout the year. These include two concert bands, an award-winning marching band, jazz ensemble, pit orchestra, string ensemble, music ministry, and choir. Each brings its own unique addition to Salesianum's culture and school spirit.

**THEATER** Theatrical productions embrace a cross-curricular approach and reflect the school's annual theme across traditional plays, readings, full-scale musicals, immersive theater, radio shows, and cabaret. Salesianum's Theater Program produces three Main Stage productions open to the entire community and students from Padua Academy and Ursuline Academy. In addition, our student company offers a variety of productions.

**VISUAL ARTS** Students enjoy a diverse selection of art classes including drawing, painting, photography, and graphic design. Fully realized gallery art shows and on-campus exhibits showcase the depth and diversity of student talent, while engaging the broader community's appreciation and love for the arts.







CLUBS, ACTIVITIES, SPORTS, AND INTRAMURALS ARE ESSENTIAL to a Salesianum education, providing opportunities to focus on our students' social, emotional, physical, and spiritual growth. Extracurricular clubs and activities offer our students the opportunity to step out of their comfort zone to explore new interests, form new friendships, and compete in regional and state levels. What makes Salesianum unique is the brotherhood—a community bound by an immediate sense of belonging, shared experiences, and collective pride. The brotherhood begins the moment our students step onto campus and spans a lifetime. Our 18,000 alumni continue their friendships and support each other throughout their lives.

ACADEMIC CHALLENGE

ALLIANCE

AQUARIUM CLUB

**AVIATION CLUB** 

**BBQ CLUB** 

**BLACK STUDENT UNION (BSU)** 

**BRING CHANGE TO MIND** 

CARD CLUB

**CARTOON CLUB** 

CHESS CLUB

CHINESE CULTURE CLUB

COMIC BOOK CLUB

**COMPUTER PROGRAMMING** 

CROSSWORD PUZZLE CLUB

DELAWARE MATH LEAGUE

DISC GOLF CLUB

DODGEBALL CLUB

**DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS** 

**ENGINEERING CLUB** 

ETHICS BOWL

FANTASY FOOTBALL

FILM CLUB

FLY FISHING

**HERMANOS UNIDOS** 

INDIAN CULTURAL COMMITTEE

INTRAMURAL SPORTS

JAPANESE CULTURE

LITERARY MAGAZINE

LITURGICAL MUSIC MINISTRY

MEDITATION CLUB

MINI-STICK LACROSSE CLUB

MOCK TRIAL

MODEL UNITED NATIONS (UN)

MOUNTAIN BIKE CLUB

MUSIC ANALYSIS CLUB

MUSIC PROGRAMS

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

**OUTDOOR ADVENTURE CLUB** 

PEER COUNSELING

PING PONG CLUB

PSYCHOLOGY CLUB

**ROBOTICS** 

ROSARY CLUB

SALESIANS FOR LIFE

SALESIANS IN ACTION

SALESIANS WITHOUT BORDERS

SALESIANUM SCHOOL THEATER

SALSREVIEW NEWSPAPER

SCIENCE OLYMPIAD

SCUBA DIVING

SPIKEBALL

STAY WOKE

STOCK MARKET CLUB

STRATEGY BOARD GAME CLUB

VIDEO GAME CLUB

WSAL

YEARBOOK

YOGA

YOUNG DEMOCRATS

YOUNG REPUBLICANS







## BENNECTED



STUDENTS FROM ALL GRADES, ALONG WITH FACULTY AND STAFF, ARE COMBINED INTO EIGHT UNIQUE HOUSES TO FORM SALESIANUM'S HOUSE SYSTEM. The houses foster brotherhood among grades, run service projects and fundraisers, and provide leadership opportunities for their members. Each house is named for an influential individual in Salesianum's history and has its own colors, motto, and mascots. The House System eases the traditional "learning curve" that often comes with the transition to high school by providing incoming freshmen with a fun and comprehensive orientation led by senior house mentors who guide underclassmen through the traditions and practices of Salesianum.

Chapters are an essential part of the Salesianum House System. Chapters meet weekly, with time dedicated to various community-building activities. The purpose of Chapter meetings is to discuss important issues and promote brotherhood and peer support. Time will be dedicated each week to Salesian Formation and virtues associated with Saint Francis de Sales: humility, gentleness, patience, compassion, tenacity, mindfulness, and optimism.

#### **HOUSES**

Birkenheuer
Fromentin
Haley-Carpenter
Kenney
Lawless
Quintus
Rosaio
Tucker





### COME VISIT US

To experience Salesianum School, we offer Open Houses and special events. Tours and Shadow Days are open to 8th Grade families in the fall. Preview days and tours are open to 7th Grade families in the spring. Contact the Admissions team for more information.

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#### **FINANCIAL AID**

**SCHOLARSHIPS** Salesianum offers merit-based academic scholarships and need-based financial aid grants totaling more than \$3 million each year. Academic scholarships are awarded to a student based on his score on the Placement Exam. Students scoring in the highest national percentiles may qualify.

**FINANCIAL AID** Families may also apply for need-based financial aid. Salesianum strives to provide an affordable education for all interested families. We have partnered with Clarity to provide our financial aid review. Parents can apply for financial aid starting in October. Financial aid is reviewed on a yearly basis.



#### Salesianum welcomes students from Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Maryland.



#### **TRANSPORTATION**

VAN SERVICE We offer convenient van transportation along nine routes, reaching families in each of our four states. We have partnered with locally based Kid Ridez, specializing in providing safe transportation for schools and related activities. Brand-new passenger vans and a hub-stop service ensure secure student transportation every morning and afternoon. The professional drivers are vetted, trained and provide prompt, reliable, and safe service. We maintain digital van rosters and tracking for parents. Salesianum subsidizes the per-rider fee, reducing the van transportation cost for families.

**DART BUS SERVICE** The Delaware public transit system includes several bus routes that stop directly in front of Salesianum. DART riders have more options for arrival and departure times.

**DRIVE/CARPOOL** To help organize a carpool with families, we can provide a list of Salesianum students in your zip code area and relevant contact information.

**PENNSYLVANIA SCHOOL DISTRICT BUS** For students residing in Pennsylvania, these school districts offer free bus transportation to Salesianum: Chester-Upland, Chichester, Garnet Valley, Kennett Square, Penn-Delco, Unionville-Chadds Ford, and West Chester.







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