LEONARD HALL JUNIOR NAVAL ACADEMY FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

by PROSPECTIVE PARENTS

- What grades does your school offer and what is the average class size? We offer grades 6 12 and our average class size is 10 students.
- What curriculum does your school utilize? Our core subject curriculum is secular. We utilize published materials from companies like McDougal Littell and Glencoe/McGraw Hill. Our classes are comparable to college preparatory (certificate of merit) classes at the local public schools. We offer some honors level courses: Pre-Calculus, Statistics, Calculus I, Psychology, Chesapeake Marine Ecology, and Spanish III. We also offer a program for students to take classes at the College of Southern Maryland.
- What is the yearly tuition and what type of payment plans do you offer? The yearly tuition is \$9,001.00 plus uniforms (and possibly transportation if you live outside of St. Mary's County). We offer four payment plan options: 12 months, 10 months, 2 payments or pay in full. We are also willing to work with families if they wish to give a substantial payment up front and then we will take that payment amount off the top of the full tuition owed and divide the remaining tuition owed into monthly payments.
- What type of student attends your school? Our school has the same mix of students that you would typically find at most other private and public schools. Students must have an average or above average aptitude and an acceptable behavioral record from his/her previous school. Most of our students are not "military bound" but are utilizing our environment to ensure success through its structure, good order, and discipline. We have proven success with students who are academically unmotivated, students diagnosed with ADD/ADHD, students with executive functioning concerns, and students and parents looking for a less chaotic-more and focused school environment. We are not a "reform school"..unfortunately, military schools in general seem to be saddled with this label.
- **Do you offer any scholarships or low-interest loans?** We do not currently offer any scholarships, but we do work in conjunction with a program offering low-interest loans to families. Please check out this option at <u>www.yourtuitionsolutions.com</u>. There is also a need-based scholarship offered through the State of Maryland to pay for Secondary School Tuition. It is called the BOOST program and the application process is open yearly in the Spring.
- Is there bus transportation offered from St. Mary's? Charles? Calvert? PG County? There are transportation options for all the Southern Maryland counties. Transportation is provided at no cost for all St. Mary's County residents. Transportation is offered for everyone else through a paid contracted service. We have students from all areas of St. Mary's, Charles, Calvert, and PG Counties at Leonard Hall.
- What are your school hours and yearly calendar? Our school day begins at 0810 and ends at 1425. Students can be dropped off as early as 0730 and must be picked up by 1440 unless they are involved in after school activities. Our yearly calendar follows closely with the local public school's calendar with some in-service and vacation differences.
- What are the steps for admissions? Each prospective student must come in for an admissions appointment with the Headmaster and then take an admissions test. The admissions test assesses the aptitude and ability of each child to make an admission determination. There is a \$75 testing fee and parents will receive results within 5 days. Please refer the admissions tab of our website for more detailed information.
- What college/universities do your high school graduates attend? Some of the colleges/universities that our high school graduates have gained admissions to are Virginia Tech, University of Maryland, Georgia Tech, Hood, Norwich, Citadel, VMI, North Georgia, George Mason, Salisbury, St. Mary's, Towson, Mount St. Mary's, Frostburg, and Embry Riddle.