THE SCHOOL

The Steward School was founded in 1972 as an independent, co-educational, non-sectarian day school. Steward is accredited by the Southern Association of Independent Schools (SAIS), the Virginia Association of Independent Schools (VAIS), and is a member of the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS).

For the academic year 2019-2020 Steward has 669 students in grades JK-12. There are 75 seniors in the Class of 2020.

MISSION, VALUES, AND BELIEFS

The Steward School’s mission is to prepare our students for college and for life in a community defined by robust academics, inspiration, engagement, and care.

We expect our students to care for and respect one another, to accept personal responsibility, and to behave honorably. Steward’s commitment to small class size ensures focus on each student’s talents and passions. Students are required to articulate, share, and defend their opinions while considering the views of their fellow students. We value our sense of community, made possible by our commitment to a relatively small population.

ADMISSION

The Steward School is committed to diversity and the development of an educational environment that fosters mutual respect, responsibility, and empathy in our school and in life. We value the presence of individuals whose differences include, but are not limited to: age, ethnicity, gender, learning style, talents, physical ability, political views, race, religion, sexual orientation, socioeconomic status, and family structure.

THE HONOR SYSTEM

The student-run Honor Council administers the Honor Code of the Steward School. The purpose of the system is to create a community of trust throughout the school, to develop in each student a strong sense of individual integrity, and to allow each student responsibility in making personal decisions.

CURRICULUM

As a college-preparatory school where 100% of graduates are admitted to four-year colleges or universities, the curriculum is accordingly rigorous. AP courses are not offered until Grade 10, and it is common for top students to take no more than three or four AP courses in a single year.

FACILITIES HIGHLIGHTS

Steward’s campus boasts: five academic buildings, a center for the arts, an athletic center, three athletic fields, a baseball stadium, and nine tennis courts.

The Bryan Innovation Lab is a 21st-century, problem-solving environment. Through experiential learning in this cutting-edge facility, students grapple with real-world issues, challenging their critical thinking and resourcefulness. Within, students build the skills necessary to succeed and lead in a rapidly-changing world.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

All Upper School students are required to complete 20 hours of community service per year. Many students will exceed this requirement.

EXTRACURRICULAR LIFE

Steward encourages development in all aspects of a student’s life. The majority of students participate in athletics, drama, music, and fine and performing arts. Steward’s Upper School offers over 30 clubs and organizations, including an Entrepreneurship Studies program. Annually, students travel internationally on school-sponsored trips. There are 25 JV and Varsity sports teams.

MINIESTER, PUBLIC SPEAKING, AND SENIOR PROJECT

All Upper School students participate in a one-week Minimester each March. Freshman programming is service-oriented, while students in Grades 10-11 participate in off-campus internships, community service experiences, and travel both foreign and domestic. All seniors take a Public Speaking course in which they learn the art of rhetoric and skills for clear and confident oral presentations. All seniors also participate in a long-term Senior Project on individually-chosen topics. As a culminating activity, students deliver an oral presentation for faculty, parents, and fellow students in April of the senior year.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- English (4)
- Math/Science (7 combined)
- Social Studies (4)
- Foreign Language (3)
- Visual/Performing Arts (2)
- Physical Education (2) —equal to 6 seasons
- Junior Seminar (1)
- Junior College Seminar (1)
- Junior College Seminar (1)
- Public Speaking (2.5)
- Senior College Seminar (2.5)
- Senior Project (1.5)
- Freshman Seminar (.75)
- Sophomore Seminar (1)
- Junior Seminar (1)
- Junior College Seminar (2.5)
- Senior College Seminar (2.5)
- Senior Project (.50)
GRADING
Steward operates on a ten-point grading scale with credit given for + and - grades. Grades are converted to a 4.0 scale to determine GPA.

- Honors and AP courses receive a weighted grade (+1 point).
- All core courses and electives that receive a letter grade, as well as Independent Study courses, are calculated into the GPA.
- Steward does not report rank.

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### COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES

Graduates in the last five classes (2015-2019) have been accepted into the following colleges and universities (2019 attending in blue):

- The University of Alabama
- American University
- Appalachian State University
- Arizona State University
- University of Arizona
- The University of the Arts
- Auburn University
- Averett University
- Belmont University
- Bennington College
- Berry College
- Bethany College
- Bluefield College
- Boston College
- Boston Conservatory at Berklee
- Boston University
- Brandeis University
- Bridgewater College
- Bucknell University
- University of California, Berkeley
- University of California, Davis
- University of California, Irvine
- University of California, Los Angeles
- University of California, Merced
- University of California, Riverside
- University of California, San Diego
- University of California, Santa Barbara
- University of California, Santa Cruz
- Campbell University
- Carnegie Mellon University
- Case Western Reserve University
- The Catholic University of America
- College of Charleston
- Christopher Newport University
- University of Cincinnati
- Clark University
- Clemson University
- Coastal Carolina University
- University of Colorado at Boulder
- Columbia College Chicago
- University of Connecticut
- Cornell University
- Davidson College
- University of Delaware
- Denison University
- University of Denver
- Dickinson College
- Drew University
- Drexel University
- Duke University
- East Carolina University
- Eastern Mennonite University
- Eckerd College
- Elizabethtown College
- Emmanuel College
- Emory University
- Fordham University
- Furman University
- Georgia Institute of Technology
- Georgia Southern University
- Georgetown University
- George Mason University
- George Washington University
- Hampshire College
- Hampden-Sydney College
- Hampshire University
- Harvard University
- Howard University
- Hofstra University
- Hollins University
- Holy Cross College
- The University of Illinois
- Indiana University at Bloomington
- Indiana University of Pennsylvania
- Indiana Wesleyan University
- University of Iowa
- James Madison University
- Johns Hopkins University
- Kalamazoo College
- University of Kansas
- University of Kentucky
- Lehigh University
- Liberty University
- Louisiana State University
- Louisiana Tech University
- Louisiana State University
- Loyola Marymount University
- Loyola University Chicago
- Loyola University Maryland
- University of Lynchburg
- Macalester College
- The University of Manchester
- Mary Baldwin University
- University of Maryland, College Park
- University of Maryland, Baltimore County
- Maryland College of Art
- Maryland Institute College of Art
- University of Maryland, College Park
- University of Massachusetts, Amherst
- University of Massachusetts, Boston
- University of Michigan
- University of Michigan
- University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
- University of Missouri
- Moncton State University
- Morehouse College
- Muhlenberg College
- New College
- New York University
- U. of North Carolina at Asheville
- U. of North Carolina at Charlotte
- U. of North Carolina at Greensboro
- U. of North Carolina at Pembroke
- U. of North Carolina at Wilmington
- North Carolina State University
- North Carolina Wesleyan College
- Northeastern University
- Northern Illinois University
- Northwestern University
- Notre Dame University
- Old Dominion University
- Pace University, New York City
- Pennsylvania State University
- University of Pennsylvania
- Pennsylvania State University
- Point Park University
- Providence College
- Purdue University
- Queens University of Charlotte
- Radford University
- Randolph College
- Randolph-Macon College
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
- Rhode Island College
- University of Richmond
- Rider University
- Roanoke College
- Robert Morris University
- Rochester Institute of Technology
- University of Rochester
- Rutgers University
- Saint Joseph’s University
- Salisbury University
- San Jose State University
- Savannah College of Art and Design
- Seton Hall University
- Shenandoah University
- Shepherd University
- St. Lawrence University
- Stevens Institute of Technology
- Stony Brook University
- Suffolk University
- SUNY Coll. of Env. Sci. and Forestry
- Sweet Briar College
- Syracuse University
- The University of Tampa
- Temple University
- University of Tennessee
- Knoxville
- Texas Christian University
- Texas State University
- Tulane University
- Vanderbilt University
- Vassar College
- University of Vermont
- University of the Virgin Islands
- Virginia Commonwealth University
- Virginia Military Institute
- Virginia State University
- Virginia Tech
- Virginia Union University
- Virginia Wesleyan University
- University of Virginia
- UVA’s College at Wise
- Wake Forest University
- Washington College
- Washington University in St. Louis
- University of Washington
- Western Carolina University
- Western Virginia University
- Western Washington University
- Western Carolina University
- Western Connecticut State University
- College of William and Mary
- Winthrop University
- University of Wisconsin
- Madison
- Wofford College
- Xavier University

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