

# UNLOCKING STUDENT POTENTIAL SINCE 1904

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# **Unlock YOUR Potential at Knox**

Greetings! You are about to make one of the most important decisions of your lives – choosing a private school that will provide you with the best opportunities for success in college and beyond.

#### At Knox, everyone cares and knows your name.

Small class sizes allow students to receive the individual attention they deserve when investing in a private school education. Our dedicated educators know students beyond the walls of the classroom, and serve as dorm parents, advisors, coaches, and mentors. Knox students are well-cared for in our supportive environment where everyone is family.

# At Knox, every student's potential is unlocked and maximized.

We offer the highest levels of academic, artistic and athletic programming including Advanced Placement classes and dual-enrollment courses for college credit. Our STEM lab is a gathering place for students to explore technology, computer science, and engineering. Many Knox educators are also college professors, which guarantees that our students receive the highest levels of instruction and expertise. Athletics are part of students' daily routines to promote both physical and mental health after an intense day of coursework.

#### At Knox, every student is inspired to go higher.

Beyond academics, arts and athletics, students and staff work together to build character and become responsible, global citizens. Our school community lives daily by the core values of Respect, Responsibility, Integrity, Courage, Kindness and Scholarship, and our graduates bring these values with them when they leave the gates of our campus after high school, ready for every challenge that lies ahead.

# The Knox School has been changing student lives for more than a century.

With endless opportunities rooted in a tradition of educational excellence, your choice should be clear by now. Whether you are an aspiring engineer or equestrian, artist or architect, performer or physicist, a Knox education unlocks every student's potential and prepares them for success after high school. We invite you to visit our campus, or take the virtual 360 tour found on our website to see for yourself as you make the life-changing decision to choose Knox.

Semper ad Lucem,

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Virginia Riccardi Head of School

M.A., Columbia University Teachers College B.A., Stony Brook University

Virginia Riccardi brings more than three decades of experience as an educator and administrator to the position of Head, and her transformational approach to leadership empowers her team members to be critical thinkers and innovators, which in turn gives Knox students the opportunity to unlock their hidden potential.

Mrs. Riccardi has been at The Knox School since 2011. She has traveled internationally for Knox Admissions and worked in multiple departments, including Development, Academics and Summer Programs. She served as the Assistant Head of School for six years before being promoted to Head of School.

# Welcome to the Oldest Established Private School Long Island, New York

# **The Knox Mission**

To provide the opportunity for capable students to excel within academic programs infused with artistic and athletic pursuits, in preparation for higher education at selective colleges and universities.

# Knox is the Best Choice...



#### **Founder Mary Alice Knox**

Mary Alice Knox was born in 1851 into a prominent family of theologians and missionaries. She taught history at Wellesley College from 1887-1895 and then served as principal of The Emma Willard School from 1897-1901.

In 1904, Mary Alice Knox established The Knox School in Briarcliff Manor, New York, and in 1956, relocated to its current campus on the North Shore of Long Island.

# AT KNOX, EVERYONE **KNOWS YOUR NAME...**

As an intentionally small community, there is no student "in the back seat" at Knox.

Our administrators and teachers view each student as unique and special, and put time and care into knowing every student by name, which allows us to deliver the best educational experience possible.

# EVERY STUDENT'S POTENTIAL IS UNLOCKED & MAXIMIZED...

Knox educators go beyond teaching our students the content of textbooks; we teach them critical thinking, inquiry, collaboration, and research and presentation skills.

100% of our seniors graduate, attend their dream universities, and earn millions of dollars in scholarships each year.





# ...to Unlock Your Potential

# EVERY STUDENT IS INSPIRED TO **GO HIGHER...**

Daily life at Knox allows for a balance of academics, athletics and the arts, along with extracurricular activities and robust student life programming.

Students and staff live the six core values -Respect, Responsibility, Integrity, Courage, Kindness and Scholarship - as part of their dedication to the continual development of the whole person.



# BOUNDLESS EXPERIENCES ARE **WAITING FOR YOU...**

Knox is known as the school where students try new things they never thought possible.

Students can be athletes and actors, engineers and equestrians, writers and rowers, designers and performers - all in a supportive and nurturing environment.

At Knox, opportunities are simply unlimited.





#### Declan Morrell-Smith, Class of 2023 Long Island, New York

"I came to Knox in 7th grade, and my experience has been life-changing. Knox has given me an immense understanding of all aspects of academics, along with the world around me. Knox has in-depth programs for every student's needs, whether it's the arts, the sciences, or even sports. The environment in the classrooms is great, and I am always comfortable learning with my peers. Coming to Knox has been the greatest decision of my life, and I wouldn't change it for the world."

# Knox Grads EXCEL at TOP UNIVERSITIES

Vasia Tassiopolous, Class of 2022 Long Island, New York



Columbia University's Barnard College English & Mathematics

"I will carry this last chapter of my life in my heart always. Thank you to the teachers who taught me so much more than just lessons in the curriculum. I learned about my passions, my goals, and the makings of my soul. Thank you all for giving me such an amazing high school experience!" Ju Zijian, Class of 2021 Xuchang City, China



New York University, Business Management

"I came to Knox as a seventh grader and received amazing support to build my English skills. The Knox administrators and staff truly care about every student's success and are highly qualified to deliver the best education that is possible. My goal was to get into my dream school - New York University - and the education I received at Knox helped me achieve an early decision to NYU. My parents want to give a big thanks to Knox for the invaluable education, and it has been my pleasure to be a Knox student!" Emily Ahmed, Class of 2020 Long Island, New York



Pennsylvania State University, Architectural Engineering

"Having been in such a small community at The Knox School, I was able to focus on myself and grow as a person in a supportive environment. I have confidence to approach my next four years at Penn State University." Colby Palmer, Class of 2019 Long Island, New York



**Cornell University,** Business Economics

"My Knox experience has been about taking advantage of the many opportunities available here. The rigorous academics, sports and arts programs helped me to build a solid, well-rounded foundation. Students here are encouraged to take risks, get involved and explore interests they may have never considered." Silvia Hernandez-Benito, 2018 Alicante, Spain



American University, Global Scholars Program

"With a college campus feel, Knox ensures that students are immersed in an educational world where learning is central to all activities. It's a unique setting that promotes a high educational experience, friendship, and trust. I will forever hold my Home beside the Shore near to my heart, and will forever be grateful for the passionate, supportive, and resourceful people I met along the way." Isabella Benrubi, Class of 2018 Long Island, New York



#### University of Texas at Austin, Violin Performance

"My time at Knox was full of amazing memories that will stay with me forever. Knox provided me with opportunities to explore areas I never thought I would, especially in the Sciences and STEM. The discipline coming from the teachers and administration definitely prepared me for the rigors of college. Knox has taught me responsibility and scholarship, which has, without a doubt, helped me to succeed at university." Omar El Sheik, Class of 2017 Cairo, Egypt



**Fairfield University,** D1 Recruit / Business Major

"Students receive a lot of encouragement at Knox from everyone - the teachers, administrators, coaches and from the other students. I learned how to manage my time and balance academics and athletics so I could be successful in both. At Knox, the entire community is like a family. I was very far away from home, but my parents and I never worried because Knox was like my second home." Ouyang Yuxuan, Class of 2017 Guangzhou, China



#### **University of Georgia,** B.A., Risk Management and Insurance

"Knox impacted my life in so many ways, and shaped me into the person I am today. The small class sizes allowed for personalized attention from my teachers, improving my ability to learn. Participating in sports on the Crew Team improved my physical fitness and taught me important lessons about teamwork. And my experience in Knox's student leadership program, serving as Student Council President gave me strong organizational and leadership skills."

# **Proven Success**

Knox graduates attend the most selective colleges in the nation and abroad - from large public universities to small institutions, art schools and engineering schools. Our graduates enroll at an expansive variety of colleges and universities based on their interests and life goals.



### **Scholarship Offers**

An average of **\$2.5 Million** in merit scholarships is offered yearly to Knox graduates. Each graduating class has an average of no more than 35 students.

### **Knox Graduate Admissions**

#### Top 100 Universities In the USA

- #2 Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- #6 Stanford University
- #17 Barnard College (Women's College)
- #20 University of California- Los Angeles
- #22 Cornell University
- #25 Carnegie Mellon University
- #27 University of Southern California
- #28 New York University
- #34<sup>\*</sup> University of Rochester
- #38 University of California-Davis
- #42\* Boston University
- #42\* Brandeis University
- #46\* Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
- #49\* Northeastern University
- #49\* Ohio State University
- #55 University of Miami
- #59\* University of Pittsburgh
- #59\* University of Washington
- #59\* Syracuse University
- #63\* University of Connecticut
- #63\* George Washington University
- #63\* Rutgers University
- #68\* Fordham University
- #83 Stevens Institute of Technology
- #93\* Stony Brook University
- #93\* University at Buffalo

\* = Tied

(US News & World Report, 2022)

#### World's Top 100 University (QS)

- #1 Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- #3\* Stanford University
- #15 The University of Edinburgh
- #20 Cornell University
- #39 New York University
- #44 University of California- Los Angeles
- #52 Carnegie Mellon University
- #58 University of Amsterdam
- #80 University of Washington
- (QS World University Ranking, 2022)

#### Top 10 Colleges of Design

- #1 Savannah College of Art and Design (Best Art Schools in the U.S.)
- #3\* Rhode Island School of Design
- #3\* Parsons School of Design
- #8\* Pratt Institute
- #9 Istituto Marangoni (Fashion in world)

#### Top National Liberal Arts Colleges

- #5 Wellesley College
- #17 Colgate University
- #30 Bryn Mawr College
- #50\* Connecticut College
- #50\* Dickinson College
  - #62 St.Olaf College
- #85 Wheaton College



# **A Comprehensive Approach To Education**

Knox student success is built upon a holistic system comprised of four important pillars: ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE, LIVING INDEPENDENTLY, SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT & PHYSICAL WELL-BEING

# Academic Excellence



Knox delivers a challenging curriculum taught by passionate, caring educators who know how to create self-directed learners. 100% of our students graduate, and all report back to us that they are prepared for the demands of university-level performance.

Our dual enrollment courses allow our students to enter university with credits earned towards their degrees.



# Independent Living



At Knox, students become prepared for life in college and beyond in a safe and comfortable living environment with around-the-clock care.

Students learn basic life skills for long-term success, and are immersed in experiences that build character and foster the "whole child" while cultivating a sense of independence.

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# Social Development



Being greeted by our welcoming Knox family is the first experience students have towards building a feeling of confidence. To promote bonding within the Knox community, weekdays and weekends are packed with social and cultural events.

Student organizations meet regularly to provide spaces and time for students to interact with their peers and our staff, which ensures the emotional health and happiness of our students.

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# Physical Well-Being



Our on-site Fitness Center, round-theclock nursing care and after-school availability of our licensed Physical Therapists guarantee that all Knox students are well-cared for.

Three well-balanced and nutritious meals per day keep our students healthy and energized for the challenges of our high school program.

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# **Academic Excellence**

The Knox School's academic program is designed to provide students with the opportunities to work collaboratively and learn at the highest level of academics. Under the guidance of a well-qualified team of caring faculty and administrators, Knox students enjoy experiences of discovery and learning that prepare them for life in college and beyond.

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# **Customized to Unlock Your Potential**

At Knox, every student is recognized as an individual with specific strengths and goals. We focus on the whole child and deliver a customized education program that provides every student the opportunity to unlock their greatest potential and become self-directed learners, a skill that is vital for success in college and beyond.

### Individualized Paths to Dream Universities

- Diagnostic assessments when students arrive help place them in the highest-level of courses so they are challenged, supported and successful
- Our personalized "Glidepath" system guides each student's university goals by mapping out their long-term curriculum needs from grades 9-12
- Customized course scheduling including dual enrollment courses for college credit allows students to take classes related to their desired course of study at University

### Attention to College Counseling

- Experienced School Counselors work directly with each student beginning in grade 9 on every aspect of the college application process
- Students have many opportunities to build their college resumes so they stand above the competition
- On-campus College Fairs are held twice yearly for students to meet University placement directors and learn from them about college admittance

### **Customized Learning Enrichment**

- Advanced Placement classes for high achievers
- Dual enrollment courses for college credit
- Flexibility to meet the needs of International students who need extra attention to build their English language skills
- Tutoring and support offered throughout the daily schedule and in dormitories during structured evening study hours



# Building a Foundation for College Success

### It Starts in the Middle School

#### Care and Support

Knox Middle Schoolers are a treasured part of our community culture. As the youngest students in our college preparatory atmosphere, our middle schoolers thrive under the guidance of a Middle School Coordinator who serves as the dedicated point person in our supportive and caring environment. Special trips and activities designed intentionally for our middle school students allow them to bond and form friendships that last well into Upper School, and our Intramural Sports Program allows students to begin training and receiving the support they need to be a competitive Knox Falcon when they reach the Upper School.



#### Academic Focus

During school hours, our "**cellphone-free**" **policy** promotes a complete focus on academics, appropriate social development, and full immersion in our Knox community. After school, middle school students participate in enrichment programs to learn organizational and study skills, explore their creativity through art and music, or simply get a start on the day's homework. High achieving middle school students are given the opportunity to advance into Upper School mathematics. Additional writing intensive courses are standard in our middle school program, and are designed to prepare students for the demands of our Upper School writing courses. Although the academic day is long, it is structured, fulfilling and productive.

#### Student-Centered Curriculum

In addition to a core curriculum featuring English, History, Mathematics and Science, Knox Middle Schoolers have unique opportunities to explore many other exciting academic areas. Our STEM program is a popular favorite, featuring topics from aviation and rocketry to reusable energy, geology, and astronomy, coding and computer science, robotics, and 3D printing. Middle Schoolers also study World Languages, including Mandarin, Spanish and French. Opportunities in the Visual and Performing Arts cultivate creativity and encourage individual expression -Knox Middle Schoolers love the stage!





### Upper School Grade 9 to 12

Knox Upper School students are poised and ready to begin their college preparatory journey where their coursework and independent work become more rigorous. Students are expected to manage their time between academics, the arts, athletics, and socialization effectively and appropriately, while exploring the passions which guide them through the college application process. Our team of administrators and educators are driven by a collective vision and desire to inspire in each student a lifelong love of learning and to nurture and celebrate each individual's strengths and talents.

#### Honors Track for High Achievers

The Honors track is offered to qualified students in English and History courses

- Honors students are expected to complete additional and more complex assignments relevant to their topic of study
- Honors track coursework is a year-long commitment based on a published syllabus



#### Advanced Placement

To add an increased level of rigor to the curriculum, Knox offers an expansive variety of Advanced Placement course offerings.

- To enroll, students must have a minimum of A- in previous relevant coursework and approval from the Dean of Academics
- All students enrolled in an AP course are required to take the AP Exam
- Most students are approved to take up to two AP courses in a school year
- AP courses begin in 11th grade

#### **AP Course List**

- AP Calculus AB & BC
- AP Statistics
- AP Biology
- AP Chemistry
- AP Physics I & II
- AP Physics C Electricity & Magnatism
- AP Psychology

- AP Computer Science
- AP Computer Science A
- AP Environmental Science
- AP English Language
- AP English Literature
- AP US History
- AP US Gov't & Politics
- AP Music Theory
- AP Art & Design

# Fast-Track Your University Studies

The Knox School offers college equivalency courses in the humanities, arts, and sciences that can be applied toward high school graduation and accepted at a multitude of colleges and universities.

### Earn College Credit on Our Campus

#### English

- EGL 192 Introduction to Fiction
- ENG 101 Standard Freshman Composition
- ENG 102 Literature & Composition

#### Visual Art

- ART 122 Electronic Illustration
- ART 141 Photography I
- ART 145 Digital Photography I

#### **Physics**

- PHY 101 Algebra-based lecture/lab: Mechanics
- PHY 102 Algebra-based lecture/lab: Electricity & Magnetism
- PHY 130 Calculus-based lecture: Mechanics
- PHY 132 Calculus-based lab: Mechanics
- PHY230 Calculus-based lecture: Electricity & Magnetism
- PHY232 Calculus-based lab: Electricity & Magnetism

Knox's college equivalency program consists of concurrent enrollment classes that allow high school juniors and seniors to take college courses during their regular school hours, while simultaneously working toward high school graduation. Courses are taught using a college-level syllabus and resources, while students remain on the Knox campus. Students participating in the program are held to the same academic standards as the college students who take courses on Stony Brook University and Suffolk County Community College campus.

Upon completion of the college-equivalency course, students may obtain an official academic transcript from the college or university. Acceptance of credit for college-level course work is under the domain of the receiving colleges and universities.

Eligible students can enroll in college-equivalency courses taught right on our own campus by our esteemed, qualified educators who hold advanced degrees and experience in higher education.

Stony Brook University





Credit is granted through **Stony Brook University's ACE program, Molloy College's High School Scholars Program** and the **Suffolk County Community College Beacon Program**.

#### College Credits Earned: ART 122 - Electronic Illustration

Parsons School of Design Graphic Design Major



Shen Menqi, Class of 2020 Shanghai, China

"The Knox School helped me reach goals that I never thought were possible. Through support for my artistic passions, Knox helped me to become accepted to my dream college."

# **Teachers Committed to Your Success**

The Knox School teachers are dedicated to educating of the whole child.

### **Highest Qualifications**

Our teachers are supremely qualified, most of whom have post-graduate degrees (e.g. Ph.D. and Master's)

- Passionate about teaching, with an average of 15 years of teaching experience
- Highly-experienced. Many Knox faculty have collegelevel teaching experience

### Holistic Teaching Philosophy

Our teachers go above and beyond to be a part of students' lives beyond the classroom:

#### Inspiration

- Showing students the power of exploring their own passions
- Exposing students to the excitement of new experiences
- Supporting students by showing genuine concern for their well-being and development

#### **Mentorship**

- Going beyond the classroom experience to affect the lives of students
- Modeling for students the results of hard work and perseverance

#### Caring

• Being available and "in the moment" for all students at all times

### Progressive Teaching Approach

#### Engaging and dynamic classrooms

- Summative and formative assessments guide teacher instruction and student learning
- Real-world curriculum connections

#### Cutting Edge Teaching and Technology

- Flat Screen TV's in all classrooms and common areas
- Multiple technology labs
- State-of-the-art STEM lab

#### Commitment to Self-Improvement

- Ongoing Professional Development, both in-house and off-site
- Constantly striving to maintain subject-matter expertise





The Knox School's history of art and culture stems back to 1904 with Founder Mary Alice Knox's vision to provide progressive education, rich in art and music. Over the years, Knox has held true to the mission, and the arts continue to be a staple in everyday life at our Home Beside the Shore.

Whether you are a student who has discovered a passion for the arts or one who is looking to explore the boundaries of your creativity, Knox Visual and Performing Arts can help you unlock *YOUR* potential. With beginner and advanced classes in studio arts, photography, ceramics, digital art and design, theatre, choir, stagecraft, and more, students have the opportunity to develop artistic skills, build confidence, find an artistic "voice," and prepare college-ready portfolios under the guidance of a masterful faculty – all of whom possess a Master's degree or higher and have college-level teaching experience.

### Our Creative Curriculum

- Music History
- AP Music History
- Choir I
- Choir II
- AP Art & Design
- Photography

- Media Arts I
  - Media Arts II
  - Electronic Illustration
  - Multimedia Production
  - Studio Art I
  - Studio Art II

- Acting and Performance
- Stagecraft and Production Design
- Theatre I
- Theatre II
- Shakespeare
- Ceramics







### Competitive Results

100% of our Studio Art faculty members have college-level teaching experience, extensive exhibition records, and advanced degrees in arts disciplines. Our graduates have been accepted into some of the top art and design schools in the country and the world, including:

- Parsons School of Design
- Pratt Institute
- Rhode Island School of Design (RISD)
- Maryland Institute of Contemporary Art (MICA)
- Savannah College of Art and Design (Hong Kong and the USA)
- Fashion Institute of Technology (FIT)
- School of Visual Arts (SVA)

# With Visual & Performing Arts



While Knox offers an academic curriculum that exposes students to a wide array of visual, theatre, and musical arts by taking classes that specialize in acting, stagecraft, ceramics, digital film and studio arts, the creativity extends far beyond the classroom. In a caring and constructive manner, our faculty work hard to foster the talents of our young artists by providing them a stage to rehearse, perform and play.

Our students have the opportunity not only to perform in plays, showcase their artwork, and perform musicals and concerts within our campus community, they also have opportunities to showcase their work on a larger scale within local communities and through digital means that allows their work to be seen by a global audience.

Because exposure to the arts is a core principle within the Visual and Performing Arts curriculum, the location of Knox's campus cannot be beaten! We are close to New York City and other arts hubs, so our students regularly take field trips to museums, galleries and theatres.



### Co-curricular Arts Offerings

- Fall Theatrical Production
- Middle School Musical
- Spring Musical for the Upper School
- "Coffee House" Performing Arts Showcases
- Spring Performing Arts Concert Extravaganza (SPACE)
- Two art gallery exhibitions at the Solarium Gallery
- Art exhibitions in galleries throughout the local community
- An annual literary journal showcasing short stories and poetry
- Poetry Out Loud competition
- Knox Art Club
- Knox Fashion Club
- An annual fashion show highlighting garments inspired by the many cultures of our student body
- Knox Theatre Awards







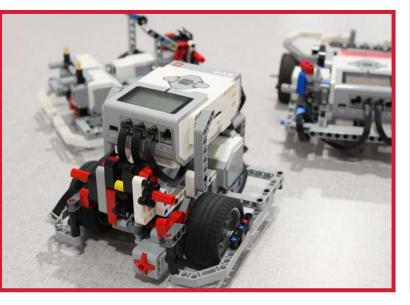
### **Our STEM Emphasis**

Knox understands the value that STEM (Science, Technology, Mathematics, and Engineering) disciplines provide to our future leaders. In 2019, our lab was completely renovated and equiped with (4) 3-D Printers, (10) hand-built digital workstations, a 70" touch-screen learning system and a complete array of tools and hardware.

#### Hands-on Engaging Classes

- Introduction to
  Robotics
- Advanced Robotics
- Introduction to Computer Science & Engineering
- 3D Printing
- Intro to Coding
- Advanced Computer Science & Engineering
- AP Computer Science
- STEM Capstone





Rochester Institute of Technology Bachelor of Science Computing Security



#### Quinn Trafas, Class of 2020 Long Island, New York

Quinn Trafas '20 received an Early Decision acceptance to **Rochester Institute of Technology** (RIT), ranked #63 in the Nation for undergraduate engineering programs and #106 top colleges in the Nation according to US News and World Report.

# College Counseling - We've Got You Covered

The college application process is intimidating and stressful – but The Knox College Counseling Experience, a program designed specifically by Knox educators and leaders with decades of experience, is stress-free for students and parents.



The Knox College Counseling Experience is a program designed by Knox leaders with decades of experience. We teach students to take control of the college application process and give parents peace of mind knowing that their children will be guided by experts every step of the way.

### Knox College Counseling Experience

#### Program Highlights

- Our program begins in 9th Grade and provides individualized, step-by-step guidance from our experienced College Planning Team
- One-on-one counseling with the Dean of Academics will help students select classes that build the **most compelling transcripts, brag sheets, and resumes**
- College visits, virtual information sessions, and talks with Knox alumni aid students in **planning for their post-secondary journey**
- Our one-of-a-kind Graduate Seminar class, designed by a college professor, is required for all seniors. This course not only completes the college application process, but provides fundamental knowledge of the freshman year college experience, and ensures that Knox graduates enter college with a competitive advantage over their peers from other high schools

# **Independent Living**

The Knox community provides our domestic and international students with the kind of attention they would receive from their parents back home and alleviates some of the stress and pressure students may face during their study abroad experience. Under the guidance of a well-qualified team of caring faculty and administrators, Knox students enjoy experiences of discovery and learning that will prepare them for living independently in college and beyond.

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# Family Style Residential Program

At Knox, the faculty and administration act in loco parentis, assuming all responsibility for the care of your children - our students. The core values of Respect, Responsibility, Integrity, Courage, Kindness, and Scholarship are integrated into our daily teaching and living. Our community is intentionally structured to maximize character development and to teach students to have a strong moral compass, which is the foundation of our core values.

# Providing Peace of Mind

#### Round-the-Clock Care

Dorm Parents and Knox's Student Life staff provide round-the-clock care for students, so that they may grow and develop in a safe and supervised environment. Students are afforded:

- Supervised study halls so that academic assistance is available when needed
- Comfort for students who are transitioning to dorm-living for the first time
- A senior-level "Administrator On Duty" is on-call 24/7 in case of an emergency, ensuring that students' needs are met at all levels



#### Safety & Well-Being

To ensure the safety of all students, we provide:

- Separate dormitories for boys and girls
- Video surveillance in hallways and common areas
- Dorm Parents maintain strict dormitory rules
- Each student has his or her own combination-lock safe to securely store valuables and cash
- Dorms locked down by 10 p.m.
- Emergency and fire drills conducted regularly

#### Residential Student Support

Many of The Knox School's administration and faculty reside on campus, and act as "Dorm Parents" who support the Academic, Social, Emotional and Physical needs of boarding students in the evening and on weekends, when classes and athletic practices have concluded for the day.

#### Regular Communication with Parents

- Faculty Advisors serve as liaisons between the school and parents
- Our online student data tracking system, keeps parents up-to-date on students' grades, absences, effort, and disciplinary records



#### Healthy and Happy Living

- Health and Wellness Center designed for overnight health stays with nurse when necessary
- Magnus online medical form system stores important student data for emergencies
- Mental health professional on-site
- University Hospital within 15 minutes by car
- Fire Department and Ambulance Services only 1 mile away





### **Our Residency Program Includes**

#### Constant Support

- Morning wake-up calls
- Dorm Parents around the clock
- Licensed Social Worker on campus
- Supervised daytime study halls
- Supervised evening study hours
- Academic extra-help sessions
- In-house nurses, wellness clinic and athletic trainers/physicians

#### **Amenities**

- High-speed Wi-Fi and wired internet in every building
- Most buildings are air conditioned
- Student lounges and common areas with cable television
- Full kitchens or kitchenettes in all residential buildings

#### Formal Dining

- All-you-care-to-eat
- Three hot meals per day
- Weekend Brunch
- All meals prepared daily on-site by CulinArt chefs
- Varied menus
- Dietary options available (vegetarian, gluten free, religious/cultural needs)





# **Routines for Success**

Knox students gain independence and build life-skills through daily routines that balance academics, extracurriculars, and free time.

## A Day in the Life of A Knox Student

Before Classes		The School Day		After Classes	
7:00 a.m.	Rise & Shine	8:00-9:10 a.m.	First Period Classes (A or E Schedule)	5:00-6:00 p.m.	Show
7:15 a.m.	Breakfast in Houghton Hall	9:15-10:25 a.m.	Second Period Classes (A or E Schedule)	6:00 p.m.	
7:45-8:00 a.m.	Day Students arrive by bus or are dropped off by parents	10:30-11:40 a.m.	Third Period Classes (A or E Schedule)	7:00-9:00 p.m.	Supervi
an S		11:45 a.m 12:35 p.m.	Lunch in Houghton Hall	9:00-10:00 p.m.	Wind prepa rel
6.2		12:40-1:50 p.m.	Fourth Period Classes (A or E Schedule)	10:00 p.m.	
		1:55-2:40 p.m.	Community Period: Clubs, Advisory, Class Meetings, Student Council Meetings		
		3:00-5:00 p.m.	Sports Practices, Sports Games, Drama Rehearsal, Middle School Supervised Activities and Homework Help		
		5:00 p.m.	Afternoon Dismissal for Day Students		

\* The above schedule represents a typical weekday for a Knox student. Additional activities, such as school dances, campus outings, and offcampus sports events may alter daily routines. Students and families receive a Weekly Bulletin, published each week, detailing special events and schedule modifications.

# nower and Get Ready for Dinner Dinner in Houghton Hall ervised Study Time in the Dorms or Library nd down from the day. Do laundry, epare for the next day, free read or relax with friends in the dorm Lights Out



# The International Student Experience

The Knox community provides our international students with the kind of attention they would receive from their parents back home and alleviates some of the stress and pressure students may face during their study abroad experience. Under the guidance of a well-qualified and caring team, international students enjoy the *American experience* that will remember forever.









### A Global Community

Knox students hail from all over the world. Our international students find their home beside the shore, where they are immersed in an educational boarding experience that will prepare them for productive and meaningful lives in college and beyond.

#### Student Population

- The current population of Knox Students hail from 20 countries
- On average, Knox international students comprise **35-40%** of the student population
- 100% of International students are accepted to college and university, many to the Top 100 universities in the USA







### Effective Support for the Success of Our International Students

#### Academics

- International students achieve academic success and improve their use of the English language through our intensive ENL program and immersive classroom experiences
- Individualized college counseling beginning in grade 9
- Complete the college application process with our professional staff, including preparation for the SAT and TOEFL tests
- Peer tutoring
- Designated nightly study hours and library access

#### Student Life

- New student orientation and support for transitioning into a study abroad program
- Programs to help student understand and integrate effectively into American culture
- All students participate actively and become well-rounded members of the Knox School community through weekend activities and after school extracurriculars
- Safe, secure, and enriching residential environment with round the clock dormitory staff presence
- Transportation to and from international airports on travel days

#### Health and Wellness

- 24 hour, seven days a week access to our nurse and doctor staffed Health and Wellness center
- Three nutritious, hot meals served daily by our kitchen staff, who know the names and special dietary needs of every student

#### Trinity College Engineering



#### Mateja Markovic, Class of 2020 Belgrade, Serbia

" Everything we learned at Knox-from classwork to the sports and the dorm life-it was all meant to prepare us to be successful in life. We were taught to not be afraid to open the biggest doors that life throws into our paths.

This was taught not only by faculty and staff but also by peers who support each other, no matter their color, religion, ethnicity, or, let alone, interests."

To be a Knoxie means to be prepared to impact this world in a way that matters."

# **Social Development**

The Knox School's Core Values - **Respect**, **Responsibility**, **Integrity**, **Courage**, **Kindness and Scholarship** - establish the foundation of a positive and trusting standard of conduct for the School community and for the success of our graduates.

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# Serving Others, Building Character

At Knox, learning extends beyond the walls of the classroom each and every day. With a wide array of opportunities to engage in leadership, character and social-emotional development, Knox students quickly adapt to the routines we have in place for them to have the discipline and consistency necessary for success.

# Core Values, Core Character

Daily life at Knox allows for a balance of academics, athletics and the arts, along with extracurricular activities and robust student life programming. Students and staff live the six core values - **Respect**, **Responsibility, Integrity, Courage, Kindness and Scholarship** - as part of their dedication to the continual development of the whole person.

#### Knox Clubs

Like our curriculum, our program of clubs, campus activities, and school traditions are always dynamic, never static. Some of our clubs include:

- Model United Nations
- Amnesty International
- Science Olympiad Team
- Publications Club
- Robotics Team / STEM Club
- Fashion Club
- Art Club
- Fantasy Sports League
- Multicultural Club
- Yoga & Mindfulness
- Gender & Sexuality Alliance (GSA)

#### Preparing for Leadership

Knox students hold leadership positions in:

- National Honor Society
- National Junior Honor Society
- Mu Alpha Theta (Math Honor Society)
- National English Honor Society (NEHS)
- National Art Honor Society (NAHS)
- Rho Kappa (National History Honor Society)
- National Science Honor Society
- Tri-M National Music Honor Society
- Student Council
- Admissions Ambassadors

Students also facilitate All-School Meetings and operate Senior Tuck, the student snack shop.

#### Service Learning

Our Service Learning program combines critical thinking and problem solving along with community service in order to provide a hands-on learning experience for students while addressing societal needs.



# Knox Traditions Unite Our Community

The Knox School is a truly unique community with long-standing traditions that have united the community since 1904. Beginning with the first day of school when new students, faculty, and staff join the *Red Team* or the *White Team*, to the end of the year when students present a dazzling display of light and song at the Annual Lantern Parade, Knox traditions are designed to build deep and meaningful relationships where friends become FAMILY!

# Lantern Parade & Senior Sunset Ceremony





Knox traditions are cherished by students and families alike. Our alumni fondly reflect on how the traditions were the most memorable thing about Knox, and many come back to their Home Beside the Shore well after graduation to observe and participate in the festivities.

# Making Memories for Life...



### A Tradition of Competition

The Red and White Team competition is one of the School's oldest, and most beloved Knox traditions. The entire school, students and teachers alike, are assigned to the Red Team or the White Team during the first few days of arrival to The Knox School's campus. These teams, which represent the School's colors, help to bind past, present and future generations of Knox students, faculty and staff through friendly team rivalry.

Once you are assigned a team at our annual Team Choosing "Fate Night", you are on that team for life. Knox Alumni often return to campus after graduation, adorned in their team colors, for the many team competitions throughout the school year.

#### Red Bulldogs vs. White Elephants

Whether a student is chosen for the Red Bulldog or a White Elephant team, they will participate in many activities throughout the year, including:

- Team Choosing "Fate Night"
- Spirit Week
- Gym Night
- The Academic Bowl

Team songs and chants add to the fun on competition nights!

#### International Fair & More...







# **Physical Well-Being**

The Knox School Athletic Department provides opportunities for student-athletes to reach their physical potential. We believe in fostering the love of sport among athletes of all skill levels and helping them to make strides in their personal development. We do this by providing a competitive environment in which our students can grow.

# **Discipline & Determination**

The Knox School's Athletic Department supports the educational mission of Knox by helping students realize their athletic potential. We believe in fostering the love of sport among athletes of all skill levels and helping them to make strides in their personal development. We do this by providing a challenging environment in which our studentathletes can grow and thrive.

At Knox, we foster habits of discipline, preparation, determination, and goal-setting in our students through athletic pursuits. Winning is never our end goal, it is merely a symptom of a proper training protocol. We see winning as an affirmation of our efforts to elevate our student-athletes to achieve their best.

### World Class Athlete

Jihyun You '23 South Korea

**Rowing** Holds 5 World Records State Champion National Champion Ranked Top 10 in the world Member of the Junior National Team



### Falcons In College:

Kellyne Stephens '22 United States

University of Kansas D1 Rowing Recruit



Universidad Europe de Madrid University Soccer Recruit

Nikolas Cazacu '19 Greece



Slippery Rock University D2 Basketball Recruit

Wassef Methnani '18 Tunisia



**Fairfield University** D1 Basketball Recruit

# 🔊 Knox Equestrian, Legendary History

Founded in 1914, The Knox School's Equestrian Program is a unique melding of competition and curriculum. Our comprehensive riding academy offers three levels of athleticism and horsemanship, from beginner to elite, with many of our student-athletes competing at the most renowned horse shows in the nation. Elite riders train under Master Horseman James North in our newly renovated, state-of-the-art equestrian center, and spend up to four months competing at the Winter Equestrian Festival (WEF) in Wellington, Florida while studying with their classmates and teachers at Knox in New York.

### **Our Trainers**

Knox student-riders learn that any goal can be reached through cooperation with the highest qualified teachers and trainers, an exemplary work ethic and a growth mindset. Knox equestrians are not just taught to ride horses – our expert trainers instill in them a confidence to command one of the strongest animals in creation, and an ability to weigh the risk versus the reward of every decision they make – both on and off a horse.

### Etiquette

Knox Equestrians learn the etiquette to present themselves daily as "show ready," from their crisp, professional uniforms to their clean and shiny riding boots. Our trainers consistently model the value of respecting the horses for the service they provide to our students and demonstrate how to show care and empathy to another living being.

### Dedication

There is no such thing as luck when you are a Knox Equestrian – there is only commitment and dedication to practicing until you reach excellence, each and every time you ride or complete any task. Knox equestrian students – in fact, all Knox students – leave their Home Beside the Shore with an exemplary work ethic and an unmatched drive to achieve excellence in all they do.

### Boarding & Care

The Phebe T. Phillip Byrne '68 Equestrian Center is a historic horseshoe-shaped stable that received a full rennovation before the pandemic. Housing 18 horses and ponies, Knox Equestrians may board their own horses or ride one of our four-legged family members at Varsity and Junior Varsity practices.





# **Athletic Training Facilities**

The Knox School takes athletics seriously. This is why we work to provide the most up-to-date equipment and space for our students to build and maintain physical fitness in our full-service training facilities.

### Spaces for Student-Athletes

- Bancroft-Phinney Hall houses a full-size Basketball Court, Volleyball Court and Badminton Courts
- Waterfront Access to Stony Brook Harbor allows Knox Crew to launch boats from campus
- Our indoor Rowing Facility is equiped with 18 ergs for year-round conditioning
- The Phebe T. Phillips Byrne Equestrian Center offers 18 stalls to house personal and School horses
- Our state-of-the-art Equestrian Riding Ring was designed by industry leaders
- Full-service Fitness Center
- Performing Arts and Athletics Programs utilize our mirrored Studio for Dance, Yoga, and Meditation
- Outdoor swimming Pool for recreation
- The Alan Manfuso '83 Soccer Field has received a recent renovation
- Knox has two outdoor Softball Fields











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# A Message from our Director of Admissions

### The KNOX Family is ready for you!

Choosing a private school for high school is almost as important as choosing a college or university. As a student, where do you see yourself being challenged both in and outside the classroom? How do you see yourself leading or even establishing a club or organization that is meaningful for you and provides a sense of belonging for you and your peers? What type of environment will help you be your best YOU?

Parents, what are your hopes and dreams for your child(ren)? In what type of environment do you picture your child(ren) thriving and reaching their full potential?

The Knox Admissions Team approaches the application process the same way we support our students - through a holistic approach. We like to get to know our applicants as prospective students and how they will best fit into our family-like community, as well as what their expectations are for a private school education. We want to hear about your goals, about what challenges you and excites you, and what you anticipate bringing to our talented and diverse student body. And of course, throughout the process we want to share what a Knox experience can do for you, and where it can take you in your life journey.

Students, we are ready for you! Please take a moment to complete our online inquiry form so we can continue this exciting conversation about choosing a private school that is the best fit for you. A member of our team will be in touch to help you through the application process and answer any questions you may have.

Congratulations on your courage to take this monumental step in your academic career!

Sincerely, Cindy Simkus



Cindy Simkus Director of Enrollment Management

Email: <u>csimkus@knoxschool.org</u> +1 631 686 1600 ext.414

# **Admissions Requirements & Procedures**

# Apply with Ease

#### **Online Application**

1. Apply using The Knox School's online platform. The application includes an essay and short answer questions



Begin the Process at www.knoxschool.org/admissions/getting-started or scan our QR Code

2. We also accept the Standard Application Online (SAO) through SSAT

#### **Recommendations**

Teacher recommendation forms must be submitted from the student's: English teacher, Math teacher, and one additional school personnel

#### Transcript

Submit academic transcripts from the current school year and previous two years

#### Interview

- Schedule an in-person or Skype/Zoom interview
- Interview may be scheduled before the application is complete

#### Placement Assessments

For International Students

- Present one of the following language proficiency exams:
  - TOEFL: School Code 8491
  - Duolingo
  - IELTS

#### For All Students

- Assessment Score (if available):
  - SSAT: School Code 4436
- For Grade 12 Applicants (if available):
  - SAT: CEEB CODE 334995

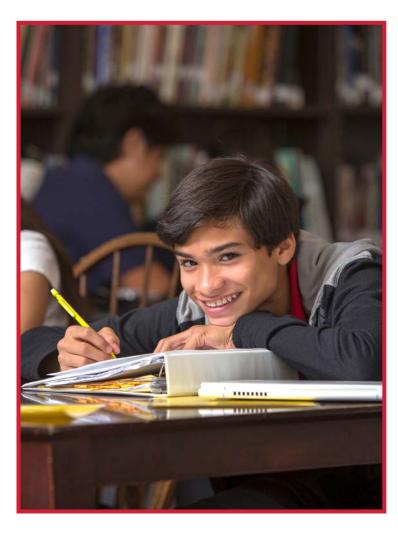
#### Admissions Deadlines

- **January 31:** Priority Application Deadline. Applications will continue to be accepted after this date, space permitting
- **April 10:** Admitted students are asked to submit their enrollment contract and payment

### The Knox School is fully accredited



#### Middle States Association Commissions on Elements and Secondary Schools



# You're In!

Sending your child to private school is a big decision - at Knox, we are here to make it easier. Our small community allows us to give each student the warm welcome and introduction to Knox that he or she deserves.

### We Prepare your Child for this New Adventure

#### Your Child will be Familiar with Knox Before School Begins

- Every newly enrolled student receives our Welcome Packet and Student and Family Handbook prior to arriving, along with summer reading assignments so they are prepared for their coursework
- Our comprehensive Student Orientation Program introduces new students to the day-to-day routines of school, prepares them for the rigors of our academic program and incorporates team-building and bonding activities amongst the Knox student body
- With workshops specific to residential life, students learn how to live harmoniously in a dormitory while respecting the space of others
- Staff provides assistance with shopping for dorm set-up items, toiletries, and other important necessities to provide students with the comforts of home

#### We Meet your Child at the Airport Upon Arrival

- Staff members will be waiting to greet your child and transport him or her to campus from JFK airport
- Upon arriving on campus, Student Council members will "meet and greet" the newest members of our Knox family "meet and greet"

#### Additional Services

- PI Accounts (for cash disbursements and other expenses)
- Visiting physician administers physicals and vaccinations
- I-20 issuance
- Shuttles to Long Island Railroad and JFK Airport
- Transportation to and from medical appointments



# **Upper School Course Requirements & Credits**

Upper School Students are required to take 8 classes per year. A minimum of 27 credits must be earned by all students prior to graduation including a full year of Graduation Capstone Project, Service Learning, Health and Choir.

### Sample Course Sequence

Student course schedules are individualized for each student upon enrollment.

Grade 8 Class		Grade 8 Class	-
English	1 Credit	English	1 Credit
History	1 Credit	History	1 Credit
Mathematics	1 Credit	Mathematics	1 Credit
Science	1 Credit	Science	1 Credit
Spanish I	1 Credit	Spanish II	1 Credit
Choir	1 Credit	Academic Writing	1 Credit
Health	1 Credit	<b>VPA Elective</b>	1 Credit
VPA Elective	1 Credit	<b>Elective Choice</b>	1 Credit
	8 Credits		8 Credits
Grade	11	Grade	12
Grade 8 Class		<mark>Grade</mark> 8 Class	
8 Class	es	8 Class	es
8 Class English	es 1 Credit	8 Class English	<b>es</b> 1 Credit
<b>8 Class</b> English History	<b>es</b> 1 Credit 1 Credit	<b>8 Class</b> English Capstone Project	<b>es</b> 1 Credit 1 Credit
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### **Elective Options**

The following is a sample of elective options. For the full list see our Course Catalogue.

- Linear Algabra Robotics Introduction to Coding 3D printing and Drafting Foundations of Economics Introduction to Legal Studies Sports Psychology Equine Science I & II Marine Science Forensic Science Photography I Media Arts I & II Ceramics Electronic Illustration Chamber Choir Theatre I & II Music History
- Advanced Placement Electives (selection) AP Language & Literature AP Literature & Composition AP Psychology AP Computer Science Principles AP Statistics AP Calculus, AB & BC AP Biology AP Chemistry AP Physics I, II & C AP Art & Design AP US Government

#### High School Diploma Requirements

English	4 +1 Credit for Graduate
	Capstone project
Mathematics	3 Credits of Algebra I & Higher
Mamemancs	5 Credits of Algebra 1 & Fligher
Science	3 Lab Science Credits
History	4 Credits
World Languages*	3 Credits
	Consecutive in the same language
Visual Arts	1 Credit
Performing Arts	1 Credit
Health	1 Credit
Choir	1 Credits
Service Learning	1 Credit
Electives	4 Credits
	Total Credits: 27

\*May be exempt with appropriate documentation

Our Academic Program is College Preparatory; as such, all classes are taught at an accelerated pace. Honors credit may be earned on an individual basis by students willing to pursue a more challenging syllabus and assessment process. These students will need to go through an approval process with the Dean of Academics.

# **English Language Requirements**

The Knox School's English as a New Language (ENL) Program provides a comprehensive study of both spoken and written English to international students in need of such instruction.

The ENL program enables these students to converse with ease in English and prepares students for the TOEFL, SAT and other standardized college entrance examinations.

### **Placement Policy**

Students are placed in an ENL program based on the TOEFL and Duolingo examination scores submitted through the Admissions process. The three Knox ENL Programs include:

#### DIRECT ENL:

**TOEFL Score of 92+** Students enter classes within the standard Knox curriculum

#### ENL Level 1:

**TOEFL Score 91-61** One ENL Class\* in addition to the standard Knox curriculum

#### ENL Level 2:

#### **TOEFL Score below 61**

One ENL class\* in addition to ENL-specific subject-matter classes and select courses within the standard Knox curriculum

\* Entrance examinations will determine the students' placement within ENL classes

### Learning Objectives

As students progress through the stages of learning within the Knox English as a New Language curriculum, they will demonstrate the ability to:

#### Goal 1:

Listen, read and write in English for the communicative purposes of gathering and giving information, responding to literature, enjoying social interaction, expressing themselves and sharing their knowledge.

#### Goal 2:

Listen, speak, read and write in English for critical analysis and evaluation of academic material

#### Goal 3:

Apply skills necessary for giving oral presentations for social interactions and content-related academic language

#### Goal 4:

Showcase competence in managing the writing process and producing effective written products including academic writing



# **Affording Knox - Tuition & Fees**

### Tuition & Board

	Tuition, Room, Meals
5 Day Boarding	\$50,000
7 Day Boarding	\$60,000
Day Students	\$27,000

### Required Fees

Domestic Student Applications - \$75 International Student Applications - \$150

Personal Incidental (PI) Account	Fees
Boarding Students	\$2,000
Day Students	\$1,000

### Additional Fees

International Student Fee	\$6,000
International Student Health Insurance	\$2,000
Parents Association Fee	\$100
Enrollment Fee: Online Tuition Management Service (Blackbaud Tuition Management)	\$50

### Academic Support Fees

BOOST Academic Support	\$11,660
ENL - Level 1	\$7,000
ENL - Level 2	\$12,000

### Financial Aid & Merit Awards

The Knox School recognizes that studying in an independent, American high school is a dream for many students, and prides itself on being able to offer financial aid or merit awards to deserving students that may cover up to 50% of tuition. Our financial aid and merit award budget is reserved for a select few students who excel in any one of the following three areas:

- academics
- visual or performing arts
- athletics

Students who apply for financial aid or merit awards must do so through School and Student Services(SSS) at <u>sssandtadsfa.force.com/familyportal</u>

### Located on the North Shore of Long Island, New York



# **The KNOX Family Welcomes You!**

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With over 115 years of history, The Knox School has built a community:

- where everyone knows your name
- where every student's potential is unlocked and maximized
- where our student body is inspired daily to go higher
- where boundless experiences are waiting for YOU

The Knox School has been unlocking student potential since 1904 - what hidden talents and possibilities will YOU uncover as a Knox student? JOIN US to find out!

# Your Journey Begins Today...



# THE KNOX SCHOOL

### Unlocking Student Potential Since 1904

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