



# The Tome School

Founded 1889

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# Upper School Profile

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The Tome School is an independent, coeducational, college preparatory day school founded in 1889 by Port Deposit philanthropist Jacob Tome. The school's curriculum provides a broad liberal arts education for students from kindergarten through twelfth grade in an environment emphasizing academic success, high standards of personal behavior, and full participation in school life. Tome School is in Cecil County and is located at the head of the Chesapeake Bay, halfway between Baltimore and Philadelphia.

## ENROLLMENT

Students come from Delaware, Pennsylvania, and three counties in Maryland with a current enrollment of 490 students in grades K through 12. Thirty percent of students receive financial aid. The upper school is comprised of grades 9-12, with 129 students, 21 in the class of 2010.

## LICENSE

Chartered by State of Maryland Board of Education

## ADMISSIONS PROCEDURE

Applicants must pass entrance tests in reading comprehension, mathematics, and general intellectual ability.

## STAFF

Head of School: F. Darcy Williams, PhD.

College Admissions Counselor: Mary O. Kemp, MA

Upper School Faculty: 14 academic teachers, 7 holding BS degrees, 6 holding MS degrees and 1 holding a PhD.

## POST GRADUATE EDUCATION

Virtually all (95% in the last 6 years) Tome graduates pursue further schooling; 85% have gone to four-year schools and 15% to two-year schools. Over the past five years, Tome students have been accepted to the following schools:

Albright College  
Allegheny College  
American International University (London)  
American University  
Arcadia University  
Auburn University  
Barry University  
Belmont Abbey College  
Bethany College  
Binghamton University – SUNY  
Bloomsburg College  
Boston College  
Boston University  
Bridgewater College  
Brigham Young University  
Bryn Mawr College  
Bucknell University  
Cabrini College  
Capitol College  
Case Western University  
Castleton State University  
Cazenovia College  
Cecil Community College  
Clemson University  
College of Notre Dame of MD  
Cornell University  
Delaware Technical College  
Delaware Valley College  
Dickinson College  
Dominican College  
Drew University  
Drexel University  
Eastern Nazarene College  
Elizabethtown College  
Embry-Riddle University  
Ferrum College

Florida Institute of Technology  
Franklin Pierce College  
Frostburg State University  
Georgetown University  
Gettysburg College  
Goldey Beacom College  
Gonzaga University  
Gordon College  
Goucher College  
Hamilton College  
Harford Community College  
Harvard University  
High Point University  
Hofstra University  
Holy Family University  
Hood College  
Immaculata University  
James Madison University  
Johns Hopkins University  
Juniata College  
Lafayette College  
Lehigh University  
Liberty University  
Loyola College of MD  
Loyola University of Chicago  
Lynchburg College  
Mary Baldwin College  
Marymount University  
Marywood University  
McDaniel University  
McGill University  
Miami University of Ohio  
Michigan Technical College  
Montclair State University  
Moravian College  
Mt. St. Mary's College, Emmitsburg

Neumann University  
Ohio State University  
Ohio Wesleyan University  
Olivet Nazarene University  
Oxford College of Emory University  
Pace University  
Penn State University  
Philadelphia University  
Point Park University  
Police Academy  
Radford University  
Randolph Macon College  
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute  
Roanoke College  
Rochester Institute of Technology  
Roger Williams University  
Rowan University  
Salisbury University  
Seton Hall University  
St. Andrew's Presbyterian College  
St. Joseph's University  
St. Mary's College of Maryland  
Stevenson University  
Stonehill College  
Susquehanna University  
Swarthmore College  
Syracuse University  
Temple University  
Towson University  
Trevecca Nazarene University  
Trinity College  
UNC - Charlotte  
University of Delaware

University of Florida  
University of Hartford  
University of Maryland, Baltimore County  
University of MD College Park  
University of Massachusetts  
University of Pennsylvania  
University of Pittsburgh  
University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown  
University of Rochester  
University of Scranton  
University of the Arts  
University of the Sciences, Philadelphia  
Ursinus College  
US Air Force Academy  
US Naval Academy  
US Naval Academy Prep School  
Utah State University  
Villanova University  
Virginia Tech  
Washington & Jefferson  
Washington and Lee University  
Washington College  
Washington University at St. Louis  
Wellesley College  
Wesley College  
West Chester University  
West Virginia University  
Western New England College  
Wilkes University  
Wofford College  
Xavier University  
York College

## CREDITS AND RANKING

All academic classes are 1 credit (1 Carnegie Unit). Class rank is not calculated beyond first and second place in the class.

## CURRICULUM

Tome Upper School students take six academic classes each year. The typical schedule includes one class in each of the following disciplines: English composition, foreign language, history, literature, mathematics and science. To graduate from Tome a student must successfully complete a minimum of 21 academic credits with a minimum distribution of 4 credits in English and 3 credits each in foreign language, history, mathematics and science according to the MSDE under COMAR 13A.09.09.

Courses offered at Tome include:

English Composition: *Levels 9, 10, 11, 12.*

Foreign Language: *French and Spanish, Levels 1-4.*

History: *Ancient, World, U.S., Gov/Econ..*

Literature: *British, Ancient, American and World.*

Mathematics: *Algebra I and II, Geometry, Precalculus and AP Calculus.*

Science: *Biology, Environmental Science, Chemistry, Physics, Advanced Biology.*

All classes are taught at the Honors Level, with the exception of the AP Calculus AB.

## ACADEMIC STATISTICS – GPA calculated for academic subjects only

### GRADE STANDARD (Not Weighted)

A = 90 – 100 = 4.0

B = 80 – 89 = 3.0

C = 70 – 79 = 2.0

F = 69 and below

### GPA CALCULATION (Weighted for Honors) \*

95 – 100 = 4.8

90 – 94 = 4.5

85 – 89 = 3.8

80 – 84 = 3.5

75 – 79 = 2.8

70 – 74 = 2.5

69 = 0.0

### GRADE DISTRIBUTION OF ACADEMIC AVERAGE

Class of 2010

(after 6 semesters)

95 – 100% 3 students

90 – 94.99% 6 students

85 – 89.99% 7 students

80 – 84.99% 4 students

70 – 79.99% 1 student

Below 70 0 students

Class average = 88.97%

### Comparative Statistics GRADE DISTRIBUTION AVERAGE

Combined Classes  
of 2008 & 2009

95 – 100% 3.5 students

90 – 94.99% 5 students

85 – 89.99% 5.5 students

80 – 84.99 9 students

70 – 79.99 4.5 students

Below 70 0 students

Class average = 86.86%

\* AP Courses receive additional weight

## SAT/ACT Results

	Class of 2009		Class of 2010	
SAT Critical Reading	Mid 50%: 540-660	Mean: 614	Mid 50%: 600-670	Mean: 636
SAT Math	Mid 50%: 530-640	Mean: 593	Mid 50%: 550-640	Mean: 621
SAT Writing	Mid 50%: 580-710	Mean: 646	Mid 50%: 630-740	Mean: 676
ACT		Mean: 27		Mean: 28

## AP RESULTS

Although Calculus AB is the only AP course taught at Tome, many students choose to take AP exams in other disciplines. In 2008 & 2009, 33 students took 63 exams in 7 subjects with a 79% pass rate (score of 3,4 or 5).

## STANDARDIZED TESTING

All students take the PSAT and Stanford Achievement Test. Most also take SAT and/or ACT.

## SCHOOL YEAR

The 170-day school year is divided into quarters, with grades available two weeks after quarter's end. The school day is divided into seven 50-minute periods, with an additional 20-minute study hall at the end of the day.