THE SCHOOL
Established in 2008 as Pope John Paul the Great Catholic High School, the name was changed in 2014 to Saint John Paul the Great Catholic High following the canonization of its patron saint. John Paul is the newest addition to a prestigious group of Catholic high schools in the Diocese of Arlington and is the only high school in the country to offer a four-year Bioethics Curriculum®. The Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia, popularly known as the “Nashville Dominicans” administer and teach at the school.

MISSION STATEMENT
“Rooted in the Dominican tradition of prayer, study, community and service, Saint John Paul the Great Catholic High School is committed to the formation of youth with special emphasis on the ethical development of the students. We strive to provide an environment where students can grow in the image of Jesus Christ while developing intellectual, theological, and moral virtues. As a diocesan school, we prepare each student for a life of faith, service, and integrity.”

ACCREDITATION
1. Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, and Council on Accreditation and School Improvement (SACS/CASI)
2. Virginia Catholic Education Association (VCEA)

THE BIOETHICS CURRICULUM
Saint John Paul the Great is the only high school in the United States to offer a four-year Bioethics Curriculum®. Developed specifically for this school, the flagship Curriculum provides students with the ethical foundation needed to address the serious medical and ethical issues of the 21st century. This is not a religion curriculum, but rather a science and philosophy-based program teaching students how to think and reason through complex issues, how to analyze sources of information, and how to methodically examine content.

The substance and process of the Bioethics Curriculum® is intended to help students learn how to make wise personal decisions, as well as enable them to promote responsibly ethical policies and practices which advance the common good. Educational opportunities present themselves regularly in complementary core subjects, including science, English, and history. Students are able to comprehend bioethical concepts and apply them to various historical events, literary themes, scientific facts, and religious tenets. Saint John Paul graduates report their training in bioethics has provided them with an uncommon level of preparation for advanced studies.

AWARDS
- 2013: Top Virginia High School by editors of Virginia Living Magazine for our ‘outstanding and unique’ Bioethics Curriculum®.
- 2014: Catholic High School Honor Roll School of Excellence (formerly ‘Top 50’ schools) by the Cardinal Newman Society.
- 2014: Top Virginia High School by editors of Virginia Living Magazine for excellence and innovation in the category of Science, Math, and Technology.

ENROLLMENT: 652
Class of 2015: 126  Class of 2016: 165
Class of 2017: 166  Class of 2018: 195

ADMISSION
Admission to Saint John Paul the Great is selective. Decisions are based upon a number of factors including, academic history, standardized test scores, placement test scores, previous school recommendations, content of student applications, and personal interviews when deemed appropriate. The school admits students of any race, color, or national origin.
ACADEMIC PROGRAM AND DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS

Earning a John Paul the Great diploma requires completion of the following academic credits:

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All graduates must earn a minimum of 28 credits

Saint John Paul the Great operates on an A/B block schedule permitting students to take up to eight classes over a 2-day period (4 classes each day).

LEVELS OF INSTRUCTION

Many courses are offered on multiple levels: Academic, Advanced, Honors, and AP. Students are not necessarily placed in the same level in all subject areas. Placement in a particular level is based on the student’s aptitude and performance in the given discipline. While the curriculum is parallel in that each level of the course has similar goals and objectives, the level of instruction varies by methodology, degree of difficulty, and volume of information presented.

Academic Level courses are designed to meet the needs of students who desire a college preparatory curriculum.

Advanced Level courses are designed to meet the needs of students who desire a college preparatory curriculum, can complete tasks with minimum supervision, and have an above average level of aptitude and achievement.

Honors/AP Level courses are designed to meet the needs of students who want an advanced college preparatory curriculum, who are highly motivated, and have a high level of responsibility, aptitude and achievement. Principles and concepts are explored in greater depth, and more independent work is expected of the student.

AP RESULTS 2013-2014

237 students took 438 Advanced Placement Exams in 2014. 62% of AP students earned exam scores of 3 or better:
- Score of 3 = 44%
- Score of 4 = 26%
- Score of 5 = 10%

NATIONAL MERIT COMMENDED SCHOLARS

2014: 7 2015: 3
2015: 1 National Achievement Scholar

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National Hispanic Scholar Recognition
2014: 2
2015: 1

SAT SCORES (Average scores for Class of 2014)

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STANDARDIZED TEST SCORES

SAT, ACT, and other test scores are not part of the student’s transcript from Saint John Paul the Great. Each student is responsible for sending test scores directly to colleges and other institutions.

GRADING

Grades are weighted for GPA. Honors and Advanced Placement courses receive additional quality points in GPA calculations as listed in the chart provided:

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COURSE OFFERINGS (HONORS & AP)
A student enrolled in more than 2 AP classes is expected to have a 3.75 weighted GPA. A student enrolled in 3 or more AP classes is expected to have a weighted GPA of 4.0 and must demonstrate success in previous Honors or AP classes.

English
- AP English Language and Composition
- AP English Literature and Composition
- Honors English I
- Honors English II

Mathematics
- AP Calculus
- AP Statistics
- Honors Algebra I
- Honors Algebra II
- Honors Geometry
- Honors Pre-Calculus/Math Analysis
- Honors Calculus

Science
- AP Biology
- Honors Chemistry I
- Honors Chemistry II
- Honors Physics I
- Honors Physics II
- Honors Biology

Social Studies
- AP U.S. History
- AP European History
- AP U.S. Government and Politics
- AP Human Geography
- Honors World History

World Language
- AP Latin: Vergil
- Honors Latin III
- Honors Spanish IV
- Honors French IV

Fine Arts
- AP Studio Art: Drawing Portfolio
- AP Art History
- AP Music Theory

RANK IN CLASS
Saint John Paul the Great Catholic High School does not rank its students.

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES
Saint John Paul the Great Catholic High School is also a place to build lasting friendships through faith experiences, social activities, organized clubs, sports, and service projects. A sampling of the clubs and activities includes: National Honor Society, Pro-Life Club, Student Leadership Association, Drama Club, Service Club, Spanish Club, Latin Club, Chess Club, Forensic Club, and the Student Work-Study-Contribute Internship Program.

ATHLETICS
Saint John Paul the Great students compete in the Virginia Independent Schools Athletic Association in both boys’ and girls’ sports. Saint John Paul the Great offers a full range of athletic teams in junior varsity and varsity. In 2013-2014, 70% of the student body participated in one or more of the 17 team sports offered.

SCHOLARSHIPS
Graduates from the first four classes earned more than $20 million in academic scholarships.

CLASS OF 2014
90% of seniors applied to a four-year college or university and 10% applied to a two-year college.
Four Year College Acceptance List – More than $20 million in academic scholarships awarded

- Abilene Christian University
- Albertus Magnus College
- Alabama State University
- American University
- Appalachian State University
- Auburn University
- Ave Maria University
- Averett University
- Bard College
- Barry University
- Baylor University
- Belmont Abbey College
- Benedictine College
- Bethune-Cookman University
- Bluefield University
- Boston College
- Boston University
- Bowling Green State University
- Bridgewater College
- Bucknell University
- Canisius College
- Capital University
- Case Western Reserve University
- Charleston Southern University
- Chestnut Hill College
- Christendom College
- Christian Brothers University
- Christopher Newport University
- Clemson University
- Coastal Carolina University
- College of Charleston
- College of the Holy Cross
- College of William & Mary
- Colorado State University
- Concordia University
- Corcoran College of Art and Design
- Dartmouth College
- DePaul University
- DeSales University
- Dickinson College
- Digi Pen Institute of Technology
- Drexel University
- Duke University
- Duquesne University
- East Carolina University
- Eastern Mennonite University
- Elon University
- Embry Riddle Aeronautical U.
- Fairfield University
- Fairleigh Dickinson University
- Ferrum College
- Flagler College
- Florida Institute of Technology
- Florida State University
- Fordham University
- Francisca U. of Steubenville
- George Mason University
- Georgetown University
- George Washington University
- Georgia Institute of Technology
- Georgia State University
- Georgia Tech
- Gettysburg College
- Gonzaga University
- Greensboro College
- Hampden-Sydney College
- Hampton University
- Harvard College
- Hillsdale College
- Hofstra University
- Hollins University
- Holy Cross College
- Hood College
- Howard University
- Indiana University, Bloomington
- Indiana University of Pennsylvania
- Iona College
- Iowa State University
- Jacksonville University
- James Madison University
- John Carroll University
- John Paul the Great Catholic U.
- Johns Hopkins University
- Kenyon College
- King’s College
- Knox College
- La Salle University
- Le Moyne College
- Liberty University
- Lock Haven University
- Longwood University
- Lord Fairfax Community College
- Louisiana State University
- Loyola University – New Orleans
- Loyola University – Maryland
- Lynchburg College
- Marion Military Institute
- Maritime College
- Marquette University
- Mary Baldwin College
- Marymount University
- Marywood University
- McDaniel College
- McGill University, Canada
- Mercer University
- Miami International U/Art & Design
- Michigan State University
- Mississippi State University
- Monroe College
- Montana State University
- Montgomery College
- Morgan State University
- Mount St. Mary’s University
- New England College
- New York University
- North Carolina A&T University
- Northeastern University
- Norwich University
- Ohio University
- Old Dominion University
- Pace University
- Peirce College – Philadelphia
- Penn State University
- Penn State University – Altoona
- Penn State University – York
- Potomac State College
- Princeton University
- Providence College
- Purdue University
- Queens University
- Radford University
- Randolph College
- Randolph-Macon College
- Regent University
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
- Richmond University, London
- Roanoke College
- Rocky Mountain College
- Sacred Heart University
- Samford University
- Savannah School of Art and Design
- Seton Hall University
- Shenandoah University
- Shepherd University
- Shippensburg University
- Siena College
- Skidmore College
- Spelman College
- St. Anselm College
- St. Francis University
- St. John’s University – New York
- St. Joseph’s University – Philadelphia
- St. Joseph’s University
- St. Leo Catholic University
- St. Mary’s College of Notre Dame
- St. Peter’s University
- St. Thomas University
- St. Vincent College
- State U. of New York at Albany
- Stevens Institute of Technology
- Stonehill College
- Syracuse University
- Tarleton State University
- Temple University
- Texas A&M, College Station
- Texas A&M University
- Texas State University
- Texas Tech University
- The Art Institute of York/Pennsyl.
- The Catholic University of America
- The Citadel
- Thomas More College
- Trinity College
- University of the Incarnate Word
- University of Alabama
- U. of Alabama – Birmingham
- University of Albany - SUNY
- University of Arizona
- University of Bridgeport
- U. of British Columbia, Canada
- University of California, San Diego
- University of Central Florida
- University of Chicago
- University of Colorado – Boulder
- University of Dallas
- University of Dayton
- University of Delaware
- University of Dubuque
- University of Edinburgh, UK
- University of El Salvador
- University of Evansville
- University of Florida
- University of Georgia
- University of Glasgow, UK
- University of Hawaii
- University of Idaho
- University of Iowa
- University of Kansas
- University of Kentucky
- University of London, UK
- University of Mary
- University of Maryland
- University of Michigan
- University of Mississippi
- University of Mount Union
- University of Nebraska, Lincoln
- University of Nevada, Las Vegas
- University of Nevada, Reno
- University of New Orleans
- U. of North Carolina-Chapel Hill
- U. of North Carolina at Charlotte
- U. of North Carolina at Pembroke
- U. of North Carolina at Wilmington
- University of North Dakota
- University of North Florida
- University of Notre Dame
- University of Oklahoma
- University of Pennsylvania
- University of Pittsburgh
- University of Richmond
- University of Rochester
- University of Scranton
- University of South Carolina
- U. of South Carolina – Aiken
- U. of South Carolina – Beaufort
- U. of South Carolina – Columbia
- University of South Florida
- University of St. Andrews, UK
- University of Tampa
- University of Texas – Austin
- University of Texas – San Antonio
- University of Toronto, Canada
- University of the Arts
- University of Vermont
- University of Virginia
- University of Washington
- Ursinus College
- U.S. Air Force Academy
- U.S. Coast Guard Academy
- U.S. Merchant Marine Academy
- U.S. Military Academy-West Point
- U.S. Naval Academy
- Valley Forge Military College
- Vassar College
- Villanova University
- Virginia Commonwealth University
- Virginia Military Institute
- Virginia State University
- Virginia Tech
- Virginia Wesleyan College
- Wake Forest University
- Washington and Lee University
- Washington State University
- Wesley University
- West Texas A&M University
- West Virginia University
- Widener University
- Wright State University
- Xavier University
- Xavier University of Louisiana
- Yale University
- York College of Pennsylvania
- York University