



# NEW GARDEN FRIENDS SCHOOL

## SCHOOL PROFILE

### 2025-26

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New Garden Friends School in Greensboro, North Carolina, is an independent preschool through 12th grade school guided by the Quaker values of simplicity, peace, integrity, community, equity, and stewardship. Built upon the long-held standards of extraordinary Friends schools, a challenging, relevant curriculum defines the New Garden Friends School experience. Our commitment is to build the competencies students need to listen deeply, communicate clearly, collaborate effectively, and think critically.

### Our Mission

Guided by Quaker values, New Garden Friends School is committed to being an inclusive educational community that honors and develops each person's gifts.

### Commitment to Diversity

Grounded in the Quaker principle of honoring that of God in everyone and a dedication to social justice, New Garden Friends School seeks to be a part of a greater community that embraces diversity in all of its dimensions. Our belief in the power and promise of diversity encompasses people of different religious beliefs, economic and cultural backgrounds, races, nationalities, sexual orientations, genders, gender identities, gender expressions, physical and mental abilities, and ages.

## NEW GARDEN FRIENDS SCHOOL SNAPSHOT

### Enrollment

Total School Enrollment: 214  
Upper School Enrollment (grades 9-12): 75  
Upper School Student Teacher Ratio: 5:1  
Upper School Students Participating in Athletics: 50%  
Students of Color: 45%  
Students Receiving Financial Assistance  
School-Based: 31%  
NC Opportunity Scholarship: 63%

### Accreditation

Southern Association of Independent Schools

### Memberships

Friends Council on Education  
National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS)  
North Carolina Association of Independent Schools

## Evaluation and Grading

New Garden Friends School grades on 10-point grading scale with 60 as the passing grade. Students also receive two narrative evaluations per year that provide a rich and comprehensive portrait of how they are progressing, both intellectually and socially. New Garden Friends School computes GPAs (grade point average) on a 4.0 scale for all Upper School students, and honors classes receive no additional weight. GPAs are calculated from grades received in courses taken only at NGFS during grades 9 through 12. Classes taken for Dual Enrollment at local colleges are not factored into a student's GPA, but students will earn 1.0 high school credit for successfully completing a 3-credit hour college course. New Garden Friends School does not rank students or present academic awards.

## Upper School Curriculum and Service Learning

The Upper School experience provides a nurturing environment where students can excel academically while learning the value of hard work, personal integrity, and social responsibility. At New Garden Friends School, students have both the honor and the responsibility of being known. We embrace our obligation to help students find their voices and at the same time, guide them to appreciate that other voices are equally valuable, even when they present opposing perspectives. Led by Quaker practice, we also regularly use silence to encourage self reflection and communal awareness.

Students enjoy academic, art, and athletic opportunities that are experiential and hands-on. Coursework is designed to cultivate a passion for inquiry that enhances critical thinking, collaboration, and discernment. While the academic program offers students both breadth and depth of study across the curriculum, the faculty emphasizes quality of study over quantity.

One school day per month, students complete a day of service at various partner nonprofit organizations. In addition, students must complete independent service hours, with the required hours increasing each year of high school. In the 12th grade, students complete an independent capstone project within the service learning program. This project provides students an opportunity to focus their service work on an area of importance and interest to them. It also allows them to reflect on their experiences in life and learning in the context of a Friends education.

## Dual Enrollment

While New Garden Friends School offers some advanced coursework, our partnerships with three local colleges - Guilford College, Guilford Technical Community College, and University of North Carolina at Greensboro - are the cornerstone of our college preparatory curriculum. Our dual enrollment program is part of our larger vision to prepare students for college coursework and nurture their unique interests and strengths. Access to these schools' vast course catalogs, as well as their library and online resources, gives our curriculum an increased breadth and depth. 82% of the class of 2026 will have earned college credit by graduation.

## Advanced Course Offerings

Honors Algebra 2	Honors Chemistry	Honors Geometry	Honors Precalculus
Honors Art 3	Honors English 9	Honors Government and	Honors Spanish 3
Honors Biology	Honors English 10/11	Political Advocacy	Honors Spanish 4
Honors Calculus	Honors English 12	Honors Physics	Honors US History
			Honors World History

## Course Load

A normal course load for students consists of six year-long courses. Classes are held 5 days per week and are 50 minutes.

## NGFS Graduation Requirements

English	4
Math	4
History	3, including World History and US History
Science	3, including Biology and one other lab science
World Language	2 consecutive years of the same language
Electives	3 (must include one visual or performing art)
PE	3 (may be met with athletics or independent study)
Service Learning	4, including senior capstone

## NGFS College Acceptances and Matriculations Classes of 2023, 2024, and 2025

Agnes Scott College	<b>Guilford College</b>	Sarah Lawrence College
American University	<b>Guilford Technical Comm. College</b>	Shaw University
<b>Appalachian State University</b>	Hamilton College	Skidmore College
Austin Peay State University	Haverford College	<b>Southern Maine Comm. College</b>
Belmont Abbey College	<b>High Point University</b>	U. of California - San Diego
Berklee College of Music	Hollins University	<b>UNC-Asheville</b>
Bridgewater College	<b>IÉSEG School of Management</b>	<b>UNC-Chapel Hill</b>
Catawba College	James Madison University	<b>UNC-Charlotte</b>
<b>Centre College</b>	Johnson and Wales University	<b>UNC-Greensboro</b>
Chapman University	Kenyon College	UNC-Pembroke
Chowan University	Lees McRae College	<b>University of Limerick</b>
Coker University	Lenoir Rhyne University	University of Nevada - Las Vegas
<b>Colgate University</b>	<b>Louisburg College</b>	University of New Hampshire
College of Charleston	Loyola Marymount University	University of Oregon
Colorado College	Mary Baldwin University	University of South Carolina
Columbia College - Chicago	<b>Meredith College</b>	University of Tennessee
<b>Columbia International U.</b>	Methodist University	University of Vermont
<b>Davidson College</b>	<b>NC A&amp;T State University</b>	Union College
Drexel University	NC Central University	Ursinus College
<b>Earlham College</b>	<b>NC State University</b>	Virginia Commonwealth U.
East Carolina University	Olivet Nazarene University	<b>Virginia Military Institute</b>
<b>Elon University</b>	Pfeiffer University	<b>Warren Wilson College</b>
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical U.	<b>Princeton University</b>	<b>Wesleyan University</b>
Franklin and Marshall College	Queens University	<b>Western Carolina University</b>
Furman University	Regent University	William Peace University
Gardner-Webb University	Roanoke College	Wingate University
Greensboro College	<b>Salem College</b>	Wofford College

\*Bold type indicates matriculation