Bishop McDevitt High School, a college preparatory school, ensures a virtue-centered Catholic education by fostering the missions of the living gospel in all students. The academic excellence we promote, the diversity we embrace, and the history we cherish to create an environment for spiritual, intellectual, and social growth that prepares our students for global citizenship.

MISSION STATEMENT

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Bishop McDevitt High School is accredited by the Pennsylvania Department of Education, the Middle States Association of Colleges and School, and the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

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BISHOP McDEVITT CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
Academic Curriculum and Requirements

The following are minimum course requirements for graduation:

- Theology 4.0 credits
- English 4.0 credits
- Social Studies 3.0 – 4.0 credits
- Mathematics 3.0 – 4.0 credits
- Science 3.0 – 4.0 credits
- Physical Education 0.5 credits
- Health 0.5 credits
- Technology Communications 0.5 credits
- Christian Service 1.0 credits
- Electives 4.5 – 6.5 credits

Total: 27 credits

Special Programs

- Diocesan Scholars
- College courses through Arcadia University on site at Bishop McDevitt
- Leadership Training
- Christian Service
- Remediation in Mathematics and Reading
- Enhanced Counseling Services

Elective Areas

- Spanish (4 years)
- Music (4 years)
- Art (4 years)
- Psychology/Criminal Justice
- Comparative Government/Economics
- Anatomy/Physiology
- Personal Fitness
- E-Business
- Accounting
- Business Law
- Technology/Communication

Advanced Placement Courses

- Biology
- Calculus
- English Literature & Composition
- United States History

Current enrollment is 435 students. Our student-teacher ratio of 21 to 1. The faculty consists of dedicated lay and religious men and women, the majority of whom hold advanced degrees in their area of specialization.

For more information regarding Academics, please visit www.mcdevitts.org/academics.

Application for Admission

Thank you for your interest in Bishop McDevitt Catholic High School! We are pleased that you have chosen to apply to our school and we look forward to serving your family. We are glad you chose to become a Royal Lancer!

Required with submission of the completed application, please provide a copy of the students FINAL Seventh and CURRENT Eighth Grade year report card to

Ms. Megan Gerhard
Director of Admissions
Bishop McDevitt High School
125 Royal Avenue
Wyncote, PA 19095

REGISTRATION & FEES FOR 2018-2019

The Registration Fee is $200.00 ($250.00 after February 28, 2018).
The School Fee is $960.00 (payable over 11 months).
The Mandatory Chance Drive is $250.00.

Listed below are some of the areas to which these fees apply:

- Administrative expenses for Academic Affairs, Student Services, and Ministry
- Classroom/curriculum related materials and supplies
- Office/Maintenance: contracts, equipment, supplies, and expenses
- Smart Tuition & Smart Aid

1. Smart Tuition provides tuition management services for all Archdiocesan high schools. Services for parents include online account access, tuition and fees invoicing, payment processing, and 24 hour customer service.
2. Parents seeking financial aid must complete a tuition assistance application by the deadline set in the previous school year, submitting the required forms to verify income, and the required fee. A link to the Smart Aid Tuition Assistance Application may be found on the school’s website.
3. Through the generosity of alumni, BLOCS, foundations, and other benefactors the Archdiocesan Office of Catholic Education and individual schools provide millions of dollars of financial support to parents through scholarships and tuition assistance.
4. Additional information on scholarships and fees may be found on our website at www.mcdevitts.org or by contacting the Business Office at 215-887-5575.
INFORMATION

Please type or print all information, except signature, and complete all portions of this form. The registration fee must accompany this application. Acceptance of this fee does not imply admission; the entire fee is refundable ONLY if Bishop McDevitt does not accept the student for admission.

Applying to Grade: 9  10  11  12

Student Name _________________________________ _________________________________ _________________________________ Student Social Security # __________________________

Gender  Male  Female  Student Social Security # __________________________

Address ____________________________________________________________ Apt. # _______

City ___________________________ State _______ Zip __________

Relationship to student  Parents  Other (Explain)

Parent/ Guardian E-mail Address ____________________________

Parent/ Guardian Signature ___________________________ Date __________

Does the applicant have an IEP or had any private psychological or educational evaluations?  Yes  No

Has your child ever been enrolled in Special Education classes?  Yes  No

Learning Disabled:  Yes  No  (If Yes, when ______ at what school ______)

Is your student interested to join a Sport?  Yes  No (If so, which one(s))? __________

Parent/ Guardian Signature __________________________________________

Authorization to request academic information and health records

I hereby authorize Bishop McDevitt High School to request academic grades, other academic information, and health records regarding my son/daughter from schools previously attended and other agencies that provided him/her instructional services.

Parent/ Guardian Signature __________________________________________

PARENT / GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Father, Stepfather or Male Guardian

Occupation ___________________________ ___________________________ Employer ___________________________ ___________________________

Work Phone # (_________) ___________________________ Ext. _______  Full Time  Part Time

Year of Graduation

Mother, Stepmother or Female Guardian

Occupation ___________________________ ___________________________ Employer ___________________________ ___________________________

Work Phone # (_________) ___________________________ Ext. _______  Full Time  Part Time

Year of Graduation

MARITAL STATUS OF PARENTS

q  Married  q  Separated  q  Divorced

q  Mother only living  q  Father only living  q  Both Parents deceased

q  Remarried (1 stepparent)  q  Single  q  Other(explain)

SECOND PARENT INFORMATION

Please complete this section if Divorced, Separated or Remarried

Parent Name ___________________________ Relationship to student ___________________________ Apt. # _______

Address _______________________________________________________ Apt. # __________

City ___________________________ State _______ Zip __________

Telephone # (_________) ___________________________ Parent E-mail Address ___________________________

LANGUAGE(S) SPOKEN AT HOME

q  English  q  Chinese  q  French  q  German

q  Italian  q  Korean  q  Polish  q  Portuguese

q  Spanish  q  Tagalog  q  Ukrainian  q  Vietnamese

Other ___________________________ Does the student speak English fluently?  Yes  No

ETHNIC BACKGROUND (for statistical purposes only)

q  American Indian  q  Asian  q  African-American

q  Hispanic  q  Caucasian  q  Other

Request for services from the Montgomery County Intermediate Unit

I give my son/daughter permission to enroll in remedial services (math and/or reading), counseling, and speech therapy provided by the county at no cost if needed.  Yes  No

Authorization to Release Information

I authorize Bishop McDevitt High School to release all academic records, standardized test scores, and health records to academic institutions to which my son/daughter intends to enroll, e.g., other secondary schools, post-secondary schools, colleges and universities.  Yes  No

Parent/ Guardian Signature ___________________________ Date __________

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Address ____________________________________________________________ Apt. # _______

City ___________________________ State _______ Zip __________

Relationship to student  Parents  Other (Explain)

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Parent/ Guardian Signature ___________________________ Date __________

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Parent/ Guardian Signature __________________________________________
Please list any other students in your family who will attend Bishop McDevitt High School or any other Archdiocesan High School during the 2018-2019 school year.

Name ___________________________ School ___________________________

Name ___________________________ School ___________________________

Name ___________________________ School ___________________________

Please list any other students in your family who will attend Grade School during the 2018-2019 school year.

Name ___________________________ School ___________________________

Name ___________________________ School ___________________________

Name ___________________________ School ___________________________

Please list any extra-curricular or community service activities that you are currently involved in:

____________________________________________________________________________

____________________________________________________________________________

____________________________________________________________________________

Please list your instrument _____________________________ Number of years experience ________

Do you wish for your child to take music?  Yes    No

A four-year INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC program is offered. Students must have prior Music/Instrumental experience to be considered. Do you wish for your child to take music?  Yes    No

If yes, please list instrument _____________________________ Number of years experience ________

Please list any other students in your family who will attend college or other post-secondary institutions

Name ___________________________ School ___________________________

Name ___________________________ School ___________________________

Name ___________________________ School ___________________________

Where do you see yourself in five years?

• 10% received FULL Academic Scholarships
• 68% received scholarship and grants to 76 different colleges
• The Class of 2017 earned $23 + million in scholarships and grants
• 98% of graduates attending college or other post-secondary institutions

CERTIFICATE OF INDIVIDUAL REQUEST FOR LOAN OF TEXTBOOKS
I hereby request the Secretary of Education of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the loan of textbooks and instructional materials in accordance with Act 195 (1972), and Act 90 (1975) for my child attending Bishop McDevitt High School in Wyncote, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania

Date ___________________________ Parent/Guardian Signature ___________________________

COURSE SELECTION

Students entering Bishop McDevitt for the 9th grade are rostered by the Assistant Principal in conjunction with the Department Chairpersons. Past performance, abilities as measured by standardized testing, and input from the sending school are criteria for student placement in courses and tracks. Final decision on rosters will be made at the discretion of the Assistant Principal. The school administration reserves the right to cancel a course.

What is the highest level of Mathematics that was completed in the students 8th Grade year?

☐ Honors Math     ☐ Algebra I     ☐ Other ___________________________

A four-year ART program exists. As a freshman, a student may take Art in place of a foreign language. Do you prefer your child to take the first level of Art during his/her freshman year?  Yes    No

A four-year INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC program is offered. Students must have prior Music/Instrumental experience to be considered. Do you wish for your child to take music?  Yes    No

If yes, please list instrument _____________________________ Number of years experience ________

Please list any extra-curricular or community service activities that you are currently involved in:

____________________________________________________________________________

____________________________________________________________________________

____________________________________________________________________________

Date ___________________________ Student Signature ___________________________
**ACTIVITIES AND ATHLETICS**

- 26 clubs
- 14 varsity sports
- 10 hours for community service per year
- 96% of our student body is involved in clubs/activities/athletic teams

### ACTIVITIES

- Academic Bowl
- Academic Octathlon
- Art Club
- Asian Student Association (ASA)
- Band
- Best Friends Club
- Book Club
- Chess Club
- Choir
- Fashion Club
- Film Club
- Forensics
- Irish Club
- Mathletes

### SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

- Dancing with the Teachers
- Homecoming
- Intramurals
- Junior/Senior Prom
- Lip Sync Contest
- Mini-thon
- Pep Rallies
- Powder Puff Football
- School Dances
- Senior Class Party
- Spirit Week Activities
- Winter/Spring Concerts

### ATHLETICS

- Baseball
- Basketball (Boys and Girls)
- Cheerleading
- Competitive Swimming
- Cross Country
- Field Hockey
- Football
- Lacrosse (Girls)
- Soccer (Boys and Girls)
- Softball
- Track (Boys and Girls)
- Volleyball (Girls)
- Wrestling

### HONOR SOCIETIES

- National Honor Society
- National Art Honor Society
- National Business Honor Society
- National English Honor Society
- La Sociedad Hispanica

### SCHOLARSHIPS & TUITION ASSISTANCE

- Bishop McDevitt High School provides over **$700,000** in scholarship and need-based assistance
- 50+ Merit based scholarships available
- Financial Aid process: For more information, please visit the Financial Aid section on our website at [www.mcdevitths.org](http://www.mcdevitths.org) (or visit [www.smartaidforparents.com](http://www.smartaidforparents.com))
- Our foundation partners include Faith in the Future Foundation, Maguire Foundation, Connelly Foundation, and Howley Family Foundation.
**Transportation Information**

The following school districts will bus students to and from Bishop McDevitt during regular school hours:

- Abington
- Lower Moreland
- Centennial
- Central Bucks
- North Penn
- Cheltenham
- Upper Dublin
- Springfield
- Council Rock
- Wissahickon
- Upper Moreland
- Bensalem

**Philadelphia students:**

- Option #1 – Eligible to obtain free SEPTA transpass every week
- Option #2 – Charter bus provided by Yellowbird Bus Company
- Cost $1,150 ($287.50 quarterly)

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**The Admissions Process**

**Incoming 9th Grade Students:**

- Submit a completed Application for Admission.
- Provide a copy of the students FINAL Seventh and CURRENT Eighth Grade (when available) year report card.
- Send in the Registration Fee of $200 ($250 after February 28, 2018).
- Any questions, please contact Ms. Megan Gerhard, Director of Admissions.

**Transfer Students:**

- Submit a completed Application for Admission.
- Request for Official Transcripts to be sent to Bishop McDevitt for review.
- Once reviewed, an interview time will be scheduled for the student and parent/guardian to come in. At the end of the interview, the Principal will inform you if you are accepted.
- Send in the Registration Fee of $200 ($250 after February 28, 2018).

Any questions, please contact Mrs. Mary Beth Bates, Coordinator of Transfers & International Students

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**Schedule a Shadow Day, Take a Tour, Learn More**

Contact Ms. Megan Gerhard at 215-887-5575, ext. 255 or mgerhard@mcdevitths.org.

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