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### **LUPS Mission and Philosophy**

Learning Unlimited Preparatory School (LUPS) was founded on the principle of developing each student's potential to the fullest within a safe, positive, and academically challenging environment. The LUPS community comprising students from Preschool through Grade 12 is committed to cultivating the value of scholarship, creativity, moral and ethical development, and the fellowship of a diverse student body. Recognizing the variety of ways in which students learn, the LUPS faculty and staff strive to empower them to be life-long learners and responsible, compassionate citizens of the world.

### **School Overview**

Learning Unlimited International Schools were established in 1976 in Columbus, Ohio. Our Caribbean campus, founded in 1991, is located in Sint Maarten. The LUPS program is based on a U.S. college-preparatory curriculum enriched by state-of-the-art digital technology, expansive science and mathematics offerings, comprehensive arts and literature programs, and a highly successful physical education. Leadership opportunities including community service and involvement with internationally recognized organizations are an integral part of the curriculum. Historically, graduates of LUPS have been accepted at prestigious universities in the U.S., Canada, Europe, and throughout the world.

### **Accreditation**

The school is jointly accredited by the Southern Association of Independent Schools (SAIS) and Cognia.

### **Enrollment**

LUPS currently serves 305 students from Pre-K through grade 12. Our high school (9-12) is comprised of 77 students, of which 18 are in grade 12.

### **Curriculum**

LUPS offers a highly competitive college-preparatory curriculum with all courses taught in English. Our high school program offers standard and honors classes in all core subjects as well as Advanced Placement (AP) courses. Additionally, students may elect to take any AP course online through one of our accredited partners. Due to the small size of LUPS, not all classes are offered every year. Those that are not offered every year are indicated below with an “\*”. Courses with Honors sections are indicated by an (H). The Class of 2024 has had the opportunity to take the courses listed below:

**English (4 credits required for graduation)**

American Literature (H) World Literature (H), British Literature (H), AP English Language and Composition, \*AP English Literature

**Mathematics (4 credits required for graduation)**

Algebra I (H), Algebra II/Trigonometry (H), Geometry (H), Pre-Calculus, College Algebra, Calculus, AP Calculus A/B, AP Statistics, AP Computer Science Principles, and AP Computer Science A

**Social Studies (4 credits required for graduation)**

World History (H), U.S. History (H), World Geography, AP Psychology, AP Human Geography, \*AP World History, \*AP US History, AP Micro/Macro Economics, AP Psychology, AP US Government

**Science (3 credits required for graduation)**

Anatomy/Physiology, Biology (H), Chemistry (H), AP Environmental Science, Physics, AP Biology, \*AP Chemistry

**Foreign Language (3 credits required for graduation)**

Spanish I, II, III, IV, French I, II, III, IV, AP French Language and Culture, Dutch I, \*AP French and Spanish Language and Culture

**Electives (6 credits required for graduation)**

Physical Education/Health", Information Technology, Journalism/Yearbook, \*Film, \*Dance, \*Studio Art, \*Accounting-Introduction to Business, Speech & Debate, \*Literature & Film, \*Graphic Design, College Writing, College Skills, and Life Skills

**Total Credits Required for Graduation = 24****Grading Scale and Grade Point Average**

LUPS has an excellent track record with student performance. Due to the small class size and high mobility in our population, class rank is not reported.

**Our grading scale is as follows:**

Percentage	Semester Grade	College Preparatory	Honors	AP
97- 100	A+	4.0	4.5	5.0
93 - 96	A	4.0	4.5	5.0
90 - 92	A-	3.7	4.2	4.7
87- 89	B+	3.3	3.8	4.3
83 - 86	B	3.0	3.5	4.0
80 - 82	B-	2.7	3.2	3.7
77 - 79	C+	2.3	2.8	3.3
73 - 76	C	2.0	2.5	3.0
70 - 72	C-	1.7	2.2	2.7
67 - 69	D+	1.3	1.8	2.3
65 - 66	D	1.0	1.5	2.0
Below 65	F	0.0	0.0	0.0

## SAT Results for LUPS

Year	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
Median Score	1120	1140	1135	1140	1140	1180
Highest Score	1510	1490	1360	1470	1530	1520

## College Acceptances

**100% of graduating seniors are accepted to colleges and universities in the U.S. and internationally. All schools are U.S.-based unless otherwise noted. Recent college acceptances include:** American University, Babson College, Baylor University, Bentley University, Boston University, Brandeis University, Brown University, University of California Riverside, University of California Santa Cruz, University of California San Diego, Case Western Reserve University, Colorado State, University of Colorado, University of Connecticut, Cornell University, The College of William & Mary, DePaul University, Drexel University, Emory University, Florida A&M, Florida International University, Florida State University, University of Florida, Fordham University, Georgia Tech University, Georgetown University, George Washington University, Johnson & Wales University, Loyola University Chicago, Michigan State University, University of Michigan, Manhattan College, University of Massachusetts Amherst and Lowell, University of Miami, Nova Southeastern University, New York University, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, Northeastern University, The Ohio State University, Oregon State University, Pace University, Pennsylvania State University, Purdue University, Rochester Institute of Technology, Rice University, Rutgers University, Savannah College of Art & Design, Syracuse University, Tufts University, University of Central Florida, University of Maryland, University of New Hampshire, University of Oregon, University of South Florida, Stanford University, University of Tampa, University of Texas, Vassar University, University of Virginia, University of Wisconsin-Madison

**Canadian Universities:** Bishop's University, University of British Columbia, Concordia University, Carleton University, Dalhousie University, University of Guelph, University, McGill University, University of Montreal, Queens University, Toronto Metropolitan University, Simon Fraser University, University of Toronto, University of Waterloo, University of Western Ontario, Wilfred Laurier University, University of Victoria

**UK Universities:** Brighton University, University of Bristol, Brunel University Cardiff University, The University of Edinburgh, Essex University, Glasgow University, Loughborough University, City University of London, Kings College London, University of Manchester, Met Film School, Metropolitan University, Regents University, The University of Warwick, University of Westminster

**Euro Universities:** Amsterdam University College, Erasmus University-Rotterdam, University of Groningen, University Hague Hotel School the Hague, Leiden University, Maastricht University, Nyenrode Business University, Stenden University, Utrecht University, Autonomous University of Barcelona, Complutense University of Madrid, IE University, Les Roches, Glion Institute of Higher Education

## Student Awards

Students with a semester average weighted GPA of 3.5 to 3.89 are eligible for Honor Roll, and those with a GPA above 3.9 are eligible for Highest Honors. Individual awards are given in all academic subjects, and the school has chapters of the National Junior Honor Society, National Honor Society, and the French Honor Society. The Griffin Award is given to students to recognize outstanding contributions to student life. In addition to these LUPS-based awards, LUPS students are frequently recognized with AP Scholar Awards, AP International Scholar Diplomas, Junior Chamber International Speech Awards, Leeward Island Debating Competition's Best Speaker Awards, St. Maarten Outstanding Youth Awards, Island Wide Science Fair Awards, and island-wide awards for chorus, theater, and individual singing performance. Since 2006, LUPS students have been perennial nominees and recipients of the Sint Maarten Governor's Youth Award for Excellence.

## Activities

LUPS offers a wide array of community opportunities with non-governmental organizations on the island and extra-curricular athletics and sports including basketball, volleyball, soccer, track, and swimming. Students are required to complete a minimum of 80 community service hours before graduating. Many far exceed the minimum annually. LUPS also offers a strong student council (grades 6-12) and has a Rotary Interact Club dedicated to community service. Additionally, LUPS has a flourishing VEX Robotics program and is an annual participant in the Model United Nations (MUN).