



# DV Friends

GRADES 1-12

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# Mission

The mission of Delaware Valley Friends School is to prepare students with learning differences for future work and study.

The school develops those personal strengths which enable students to succeed in its college preparatory curriculum. The school also recognizes that it has a responsibility to share its expertise with teachers and students beyond the school community.

Delaware Valley Friends School carries forward the Quaker heritage of compassion and justice. We acknowledge that of God in everyone and nurture the unique personal worth and potential good inherent in each individual.

# DVFriends 2020-21

- 217 total DVFriends
  - 26 Lower School students
  - 56 Middle School students
  - 135 Upper School students
- 25% students of color
- 38% identify as female, 61% identify as male
- 49 School districts, 11 counties from 3 states - and beyond
- 38% receive tuition assistance from DVFriends, 65% all sources
- Student/Faculty ratio = 4.5/1



# Covid-19 Pandemic Responses at DV

- Covid-19 Health and Safety Team since last Spring
  - 19 faculty, admin., staff, bi-monthly meetings at a minimum
  - 47 page Covid-19 Health and Safety Plan
- Summer teacher training and preparation
  - managing classes where student are on Zoom and in person
- LS: full in-person since September
- MS: full in-person since November
- US: hybrid since September in cohorts (9/10 and 11/12)



# Life at DV During the Covid-19 Pandemic

[Video: I Am Light](#)

- Learning
- Community and Connection
- Joy

