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High School Profile 2022-2023

COVID 19

- 2019-2020: Starting March 18th, 2020, Green Meadow transitioned to live, on-line zoom classes, maintaining the academic integrity of our curriculum. You will note on the transcript in 4th quarter of the 2019-2020 school year some students were graded pass/fail.
- 2020-2021: Starting in September 2020 we returned to in-person learning on campus, offering our full curriculum. There were brief periods when we returned to live remote classes during periods when we had to quarantine.

The School

- Green Meadow Waldorf School is an independent, college preparatory co-educational school that is part of the international Waldorf school movement based on the educational principles of Rudolf Steiner. There are more than 1,000 Waldorf schools in 80 countries. Green Meadow was founded in 1949 and graduated its first high school class in 1976.
- The school cultivates individual thinking and social awareness through academic, artistic and practical work, preparing students for college and beyond. A Green Meadow education develops capacities that bring meaning to students' lives and enables them to improve the world through creative, principled action.
- The school enrolls approximately 270 students in Pre-Kindergarten through twelfth grade.
- The school is accredited by the New York State Association of Independent Schools, registered by the Board of Regents of New York State, and is a member of the Association of Waldorf Schools of North America. The student/faculty ratio is 9:1.

Waldorf Curriculum

- In grades 9-12, students begin each day with a 90-minute main lesson devoted to the in-depth study of a major academic topic for three to four weeks.
- Following main lesson, students begin their mandatory run-through classes, including English, mathematics, history, science and world language, as well as music, art and physical education.
- Advanced science and math courses are offered as electives.

Senior Year Programs

Independent Projects

- All seniors conceive their own independent senior project in May of their junior year, and then work with an outside mentor as well as a faculty mentor throughout their senior year until their school presentation in April. Some recent projects include designing a dress, game design, music composition, becoming an EMT, repurposing a van as a tiny house, and wildlife rehabilitation.

Senior Internship

- Students are required to do an internship for 3-week period during the spring semester of their senior year. They are expected to have a meaningful work experience for a full working day, five days a week.

Departments Credits (minimum)

English	4
Languages	3.75
Math	4
Science	4
History	3
Arts, Crafts, & Music	2
Physical Education	1

Grading

(Unweighted)	Weighted (Honors)
A+: 4.33	A+: 4.83
A: 4.0	A: 4.50
A-: 3.67	A-: 4.17
B+: 3.33	B+: 3.83
B: 3.0	B: 3.50
B-: 2.67	B-: 3.17
C+: 2.33	C+: 2.83
C: 2.0	C: 2.50
C-: 1.67	C-: 2.17
D+: 1.33	D+: 1.83
D: 1.0	D: 1.50

We do not rank students. Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate (IB) courses are not offered. The rigor of the main lessons combined with the wholistic curriculum provide our students with deep and rich academic experience.

Graduates

95% of recent graduates entered four-year colleges, with the remainder pursuing work, travel, or volunteer experiences.

ENGLISH

English courses I, II, III, IV
(9th, 10th, 11th, 12th)

Story of Drama (9th ML)

Short Stories (9th ML)

(Honors) The Novel 10th ML)

Dramatic Production (10th ML)

(Honors) The Autobiography of
Malcolm X (11th ML)

(Honors) Dante (11th ML)

Shakespeare (11th ML)

(Honors) American Literature (12th ML)

Dramatic Production (12th ML)

HISTORY

Social Studies courses I, II, III, IV
(9th, 10th, 11th)

Ninth Grade

American History I (9th ML)

American History II (9th ML)

History through Art (9th ML)

(Honors) History Through Drama (9th ML)

Ancient Cultures (10th ML)

Greek History (10th ML)

Western Civilization (11th ML)

Medieval History (11th ML)

(Honors) Philosophy & Ethics (11th ML)

Twentieth Century History (12th ML)

History of China (12th ML)

History through Architecture (12th ML)

Economics: 4 times per week

SCIENCE

Physics

Physics of Heat (9th ML)

Physics of Motion-Mechanics (10th ML)

Physics of Electricity and Magnetism
(10th ML)

(Honors) Advanced Physics Elective (11th)

Chemistry

Chemistry (9th ML)

Inorganic Chemistry (10th ML)

Chemistry II (11th ML)

Biochemistry (12th ML)

(Honors) Advanced Chemistry Elective (12th)

Earth Science

Earth Science (9th ML)

Climatology (10th ML)

Astronomy (11th & 12th ML)

Biology

Human Biology I (9th ML)

Human Biology II (10th ML)

Botany (11th ML)

(Honors) Zoology/Evolution (12th ML)

(Honors) Advanced Biology Elective (11th)

MATHEMATICS

*Some students had Algebra I for a full or
half year in 8th grade*

*Most courses may be taken at regular or
honors level.*

Math courses meet 4 times per week:

Algebra I

Geometry

Geometry (Honors)

Algebra II

Algebra II (Honors)

Advanced Algebra II

Algebra/Trigonometry II A

Algebra/Trigonometry II B (Honors)

Pre-Calculus

Calculus (Honors)

STEAM

STEAM Elective

Statistics

Topics in Applied Mathematics

Codes and Number Theory (9th ML)

Our Digital Age (10th ML)

Descriptive Geometry (10th ML)

Projective Geometry (11th ML)

MODERN WORLD LANGUAGE

Classes meet four times per week:

Spanish

Students who successfully complete
an exchange of three months or more
receive academic credit.

Level I, II & III

Advanced Level III and IV (Honors)

VISUAL/PRACTICAL ARTS

Classes meet four times per week:

Ninth Grade

Black & White drawing

Blacksmithing, Metalwork

Tenth Grade

Color Theory & Glazing Technique

Clay Heads

Eleventh Grade

Form & Composition

Basketry

Twelfth Grade

Portraiture

Woodworking

MUSIC

Classes meet two times per week:

Chorus

String Orchestra & Concert Band

*All students are required to take
private music lessons to study a band
or orchestral instrument throughout
the four years of high school. A staff of
private teachers is available for lessons
during the school day.*

EURYTHMY / PHYSICAL EDUCATION / SPORTS

Classes meet two times per week:

Eurythmy

Physical education

Sports: Extra-curricular activities include:
interscholastic tennis, volleyball, soccer,
basketball, and cross-country running,
and winter and spring track are offered
in season. We also have clinics for
soccer, basketball, and volleyball.

**Extracurricular activities, in addition to
sports, include student council, literary
magazine, gay/straight alliance, social
action committee, environmental
activism club, Midnight Run,
gardening program, and yearbook.**