



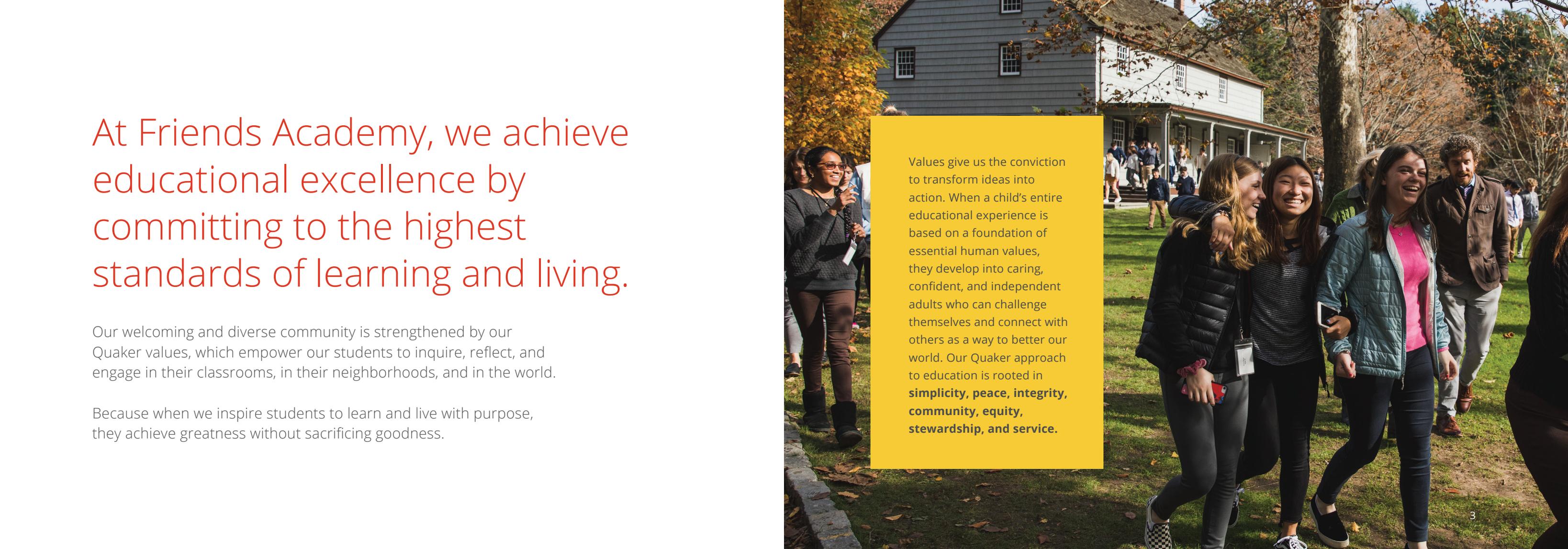
Illuminate You



At Friends Academy, we achieve educational excellence by committing to the highest standards of learning and living.

Our welcoming and diverse community is strengthened by our Quaker values, which empower our students to inquire, reflect, and engage in their classrooms, in their neighborhoods, and in the world.

Because when we inspire students to learn and live with purpose, they achieve greatness without sacrificing goodness.



Values give us the conviction to transform ideas into action. When a child's entire educational experience is based on a foundation of essential human values, they develop into caring, confident, and independent adults who can challenge themselves and connect with others as a way to better our world. Our Quaker approach to education is rooted in **simplicity, peace, integrity, community, equity, stewardship, and service.**



Cultivate Community

We reach great heights when our individual strengths are cultivated by our community.

The profound bond that our students and teachers form at Friends Academy is intentional and allows each student to receive highly personalized instruction. This ensures that their individual strengths and gifts are recognized and shared in the classroom, on the stage and on the field, and in their life beyond.

Our Pre K-12 experience allows for every student to learn **real-world skills that focus on identity, civic engagement, collaborative problem-solving, and leadership development.**

12:1
STUDENT TO
TEACHER RATIO

104
FACULTY WITH
PH.DS AND
MASTER'S DEGREES

50+
DISTRICTS
OUR STUDENTS
COME FROM

PK-12
EDUCATIONAL
EXPERIENCE

ALL
FAITHS
WELCOMED
AND HONORED



Be the Change

We empower our students to believe they can make a difference.

We approach education with ethical purpose to use our knowledge for social change. Our students **study the root causes of any given problem** to understand its origins, and more importantly, why it persists today. Our drive to **collaborate creatively** fuels our partnerships with service organizations such as the Boys and Girls Club and Habitat for Humanity, as well as with local businesses.

Finally, our students reflect on each experience, seeking to address their critical role in creating positive change. This intentional approach combines innovation and empathy to fuel creative solutions for our community and for our ever-changing world.



BEYOND THE CLASSROOM:

75+ clubs, activities, and community partnerships

Using our
knowledge
and talents
for social
change





Pursue Justice

Critical thinkers know the simple choice isn't always the right choice.

When discourse feels natural and intentional, students know they can speak their minds, separate fact from fiction, make clear and decisive arguments, and ask questions that lead to fuller engagement. By formulating and defending a point of view, our students **make deeper meaning of what they learn** and why it matters.

The deepest learning relies on rigorous discourse and debate as a gateway to multiple approaches and creative ideas.

IN THE CLASSROOM:

15+ student-led seminars



Our Friends Academy campus is designed to provide students with both a serene and stimulating **backdrop that enriches their educational experience.** Our expansive athletic fields and state-of-the-art theater foster our creative spirit and fuel our competitive edge. At the center of our academic buildings lies our beautiful Quad, which is a gathering point for our entire community within our 65-acre campus.



Come see us—
our door is
always open.

ON CAMPUS:
65 acres

Practice Peace

We see life's challenges as an opportunity for growth.

In classes, Friends Academy students are taught the **importance of constructive conflict resolution** so that they can become the sophisticated problem solvers that our world needs more of. By listening to one another and allowing time and space for reflection, we're able to open a new door and resolve life's challenges in a way that brings us together.

During our weekly Meeting for Worship, students, staff, and members of the broader community gather to think about new ideas as well as life's questions – big and small. In this open and intentional space, students develop lifelong skills of **active listening, critical thinking, public speaking**, and the ability to use silence as a powerful tool.

FOR THE MIND:

Daily reflective silence



“Reflection and self-evaluation enable us to recognize and value how each person strengthens our community.”



ON THE FIELD:

79% of Upper School students play at least one sport



We value our arts curriculum and athletics program as doorways to open minds, bodies, and hearts.



Stay True

We help students explore their passions—and find their purpose.

At Friends Academy, every student is provided an exceptional educational foundation that is further strengthened by extraordinary co-curriculars. These **enhance our students' knowledge, experience, and depth**, and ultimately, their ability to find their unique purpose. In discovering their place here – whether it is in the humanities or STEM, through arts, athletics, or extracurriculars – students can come as they are and be their true selves.

Every co-curricular experience is led by experts in each field. Through our unparalleled visual and performance arts education, students are taught to appreciate the power of artistic possibility and to express themselves with confidence in professional caliber theatrical performances, as well as concerts and curated arts exhibitions. As the only independent school to participate in Long Island's competitive public school league, our athletic educational program teaches lessons of teamwork, individual responsibility, and sportsmanship with the grounding and values of a Quaker school community.

IN THE STUDIO:

13 professional musicians on faculty

Take Care

Our responsibility to our planet begins in the classroom.

We understand the **importance of educating our students about limited resources**, how we can protect them, and why we must be stewards of our earth for and with each other. This focus on collaboration and inclusion fuels creative ideas and sustainable solutions for our planet.

OUTSIDE:

6 Outdoor Education
overnight experiences





Let Your Life Speak

Prepared to do well—and do
good—in college and beyond.

Created by Mission Minded

Our accomplished alumni consistently share that their Friends Academy education prepared them for a life of purpose. They understand what colleges and workplaces know – that what you do with your life can have a positive impact on the world. Though test scores are important, educators and employers recognize that young people who also possess **critical thinking skills, independence, values, and drive** will make their community stronger.

At Friends Academy, students are not only taught the information they need to succeed, but also how to discern that information in a way that is innovative, inclusive, and influential. We are proud that our graduates go on to thrive with purpose at the top colleges, and ultimately, in the world beyond.

IN THE WORLD:

100% college matriculation
and a network of 4,200+ alumni



Are you ready to open a new door?

Learn more about Friends Academy in person and online.

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