

This is our core.

Spend some time at Belmont Day School, and you'll witness our six core values, alive and active, informing everything we do.

Excellence. We demand it of our students and our faculty alike. It's why our teachers continually take advantage of professional development opportunities and our students work at such a high level. And it's why our alumni thrive after they've graduated.



Joy. At the heart of an outstanding education is a well-stoked love of learning—the unparalleled satisfaction earned by indulging curiosity, solving problems, gaining understanding, and pursuing knowledge.



Respect. This is a 360-degree concept at Belmont Day. We don't merely expect children to treat their elders with deference; every member of our community—students, families, staff—constantly strives to treat each other with respect. We also want our students to maintain respect for others outside of the school.



Caring. Whether it's collecting warm clothing for those in need, or preparing and serving lunch at Rosie's Place, the members of the Belmont Day community continually work to help others. The credo of compassion is also evident in the kind way students treat one another every day.




Honesty. Beyond expecting our students to be truthful in their interactions, we also encourage them to be introspective and honest with themselves. We want them to scrutinize their motivations and learn from their decisions.



Responsibility. Belmont Day students are not passive learners—they take ownership of their education. Similarly, they learn to be accountable for their decisions and actions—a skill that will serve them well for a lifetime.



A young person with short brown hair is wearing large, clear safety goggles with a green strap. They are looking upwards and to the right with a focused expression. In the background, a beaker containing a yellow liquid is visible, slightly out of focus. The setting appears to be a laboratory or science classroom.

"I love how the small class sizes allow the teachers to get to know me well and create an encouraging environment where I can do my best."

Monica Roy '14

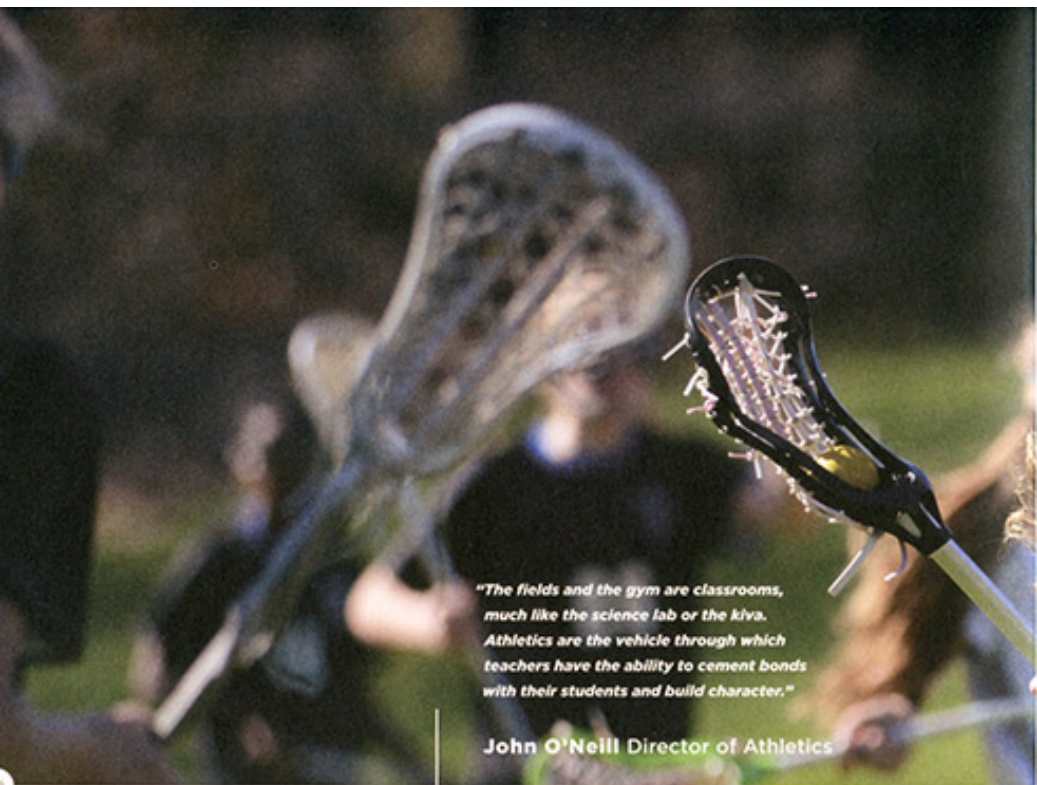
BE IMMERSSED IN LEARNING

Students don't merely study a topic at Belmont Day; they dive into it and explore it from every angle. They take the role of a Colonial settler and write a journal from that perspective. They complete a unique independent project related to human rights and share it on Freedom Night. They build robots and solar cars and design objects for a 3D printer—using not only math and science, but also creativity, collaboration, and problem-solving skills.

The teachers here form a team. They cooperate with one another to weave their subjects together whenever possible, giving the education richness, context, and a pulse. Students might find themselves making art that ties in with the history they're studying. Or they might tackle a writing project along with others in the school. The assignments here are varied, purposeful, challenging, and creative, allowing students to explore new concepts in fascinating ways.

B Live your passion.

Our faculty are committed to the learning process, as illustrated by the hundreds of combined hours they spend in summer professional development workshops exploring topics like differentiation, formative assessment, and writing across disciplines.



"The fields and the gym are classrooms, much like the science lab or the klva. Athletics are the vehicle through which teachers have the ability to cement bonds with their students and build character."

John O'Neill Director of Athletics



Read voraciously.
Speak eloquently.
Compute accurately.
Generate hypotheses.
See another's perspective.
Solve complex problems.
Speak a second language.
Express creatively.

Play hard.

EXCELLENT SPORTS

Belmont Day's core values are alive and well on the playing field and in our gym. You can sense the joy of healthy competition, the drive for excellence, and the respect that players maintain for their competitors and coaches, teammates and referees.

Our athletics program is as deliberate and thoughtful as our academics. Skills are introduced sequentially and practiced for proficiency. Students begin by trying a variety of sports—mastering a ropes

course, playing soccer, field hockey, and basketball, running on our trails, and learning how to fence—before they settle into competitive interscholastic teams in their later middle school years.

Students internalize valuable lessons in strategy, teamwork, positive risktaking, and good sportsmanship. Our athletics education develops their physical abilities, builds their confidence in newfound skills, and prepares them well for future athletic endeavors.

