**LANCASTER Where is it?**

In southeast Pennsylvania, west of Philadelphia; the county seat of Lancaster County. Accessible by car or passenger train

* About a short three-hour drive from Queens
* Direct Amtrak service (subsidized by the State of Pennsylvania) to Penn Station, fares can be as low as about $60. (Distance to train station from F&M is less than distance from FLHS to Queens College.)

**LANCASTER What is it?**

* A welcoming and diverse community
* Part of Northeast seaboard culture (diverse New Yorkers welcomed!) but enhanced by the influence of Amish and Mennonite cultures and the agricultural aspects of Lancaster County
* Has a strong history of secular political activism *and* faith-based activism—very inclusive
* Lancaster City has a surprisingly a vibrant cityscape with restaurants and entertainment venues that match places in “hipsterville” Brooklyn
* Lancaster City is in but different from the Lancaster County of tourist Turkey Hill ice cream fame. **It’s not dairy cows and Amish people!**

**F&M CAMPUS:**

While various real estate holdings total about 220 acres, the F&M Main Campus with the residential quad and academic buildings is about 50 acres inside a rectangular area with no cross streets.

* 50 acres is about half the size of the Fresh Meadows Development or Electchester
* Adjoining the campus in the rectangular area is a 22-acre Lancaster city park.
* Mix of upper- and middle-class housing surround college (a Jamaica Estates-like subdivision sits on the main campus’s western border)