The House system fosters relationships among Brookewood students by creating smaller communities for activities and celebrations. At the beginning of each year, students are placed into one of four houses at Brookewood. The Houses are named in honor of women or families who were important to the founding of Maryland or the United States: Arundel, Bourbon, Custis, and Darnall. The Brookewood Houses correspond to the houses at The Avalon School, Brookewood’s coordinate school for boys.

**HOUSE COMPETITIONS**

Throughout the year, festival days are the days that students gather into their respective houses and compete for points that accumulate throughout the year. Brookewood girls compete in their houses, not in their grade levels, in the festival competitions.

**FESTIVALS**

Festival days are special days of both fun activities and some are celebrations in the Roman Catholic liturgical year. Festival days include poetry recitations, Capture-the-Flag, Field Day, Carnevale, St. Cecilia’s Day, Medieval Festival, Jane Austen day, Sacagawea Day, Madeline Festival, All Hallow’s Eve Festival, and more.