



# **HIGH SCHOOL:**

**THE FIRST STEPS TOWARD COLLEGE**

**A MANUAL FOR 6TH, 7TH & 8TH  
GRADERS & THEIR FAMILIES**

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# THE APPLICATION PROCESS TIMELINE

## RESEARCH

SPRING of 7<sup>th</sup> Grade

Start with this booklet. Then...

- a) Visit the websites of schools that jump out at you and read the "Overview" section of websites which will tell you:
  - how big the school is
  - a summary of the teaching philosophy
  - a bit about the religious affiliation, specialization, or focus of the school
  - extra-curricular activities
  - **Write down the admissions and financial aid deadlines and the contact person in the admissions and financial aid offices.**
- b) Call schools and ask if they are having an open house or if you can visit and take a tour.

## VISIT SCHOOLS

FALL & SPRING of 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Schools usually have one open house in the fall and one in the spring. Attend open houses or schedule an individual visit so you can see the school while classes are in session. This will give you the opportunity to meet the Principal, admissions officers, faculty and students. **Don't be afraid to take advantage of your visit by asking a lot of questions.** Admissions offices will often let you speak with students involved in activities or sports your child is interested in.

## APPLY TO SCHOOLS & FOR FINANCIAL AID

Winter & Spring of 8<sup>th</sup> grade

- a) Make a list of the schools you want to apply to.
- b) Call admissions offices to ask any questions that you have about what is needed to apply. As you do this, make a list of everything that you and your child have to do to complete the applications for each school, then:
  - submit the test scores that schools request OR
  - sign up for a date to take their entrance exams
  - set up interviews
  - prepare portfolios where requested
- c) **Print out the financial aid forms as soon as you decide that you want to apply to any private school. It is extremely important to have all financial aid materials in before the deadline.**

## FOLLOW UP!!

After you apply

After you apply, you may have to wait some time to find out if you have been accepted. If you don't hear back from a school, follow up with a call. Also, since acceptance and financial aid are often awarded separately at private schools, it's a good idea to keep in touch with the financial aid staff as well.

## ENROLLMENT & REGISTRATION

Late Spring to Summer of 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Once you have been accepted, you must choose a high school and enroll. Enrollment usually involves signing paperwork and paying a registration fee and/or a down-payment on tuition or fees. If you don't pay your registration fee, or fail to complete the final registration process, the school usually will not hold your seat. **Make sure that the schools you have enrolled in are aware of your financial situation and that you have completed all the necessary steps in applying for financial aid.**

**\*\*If applying to a Citywide Admission (CW) or Special Admission (SA) Philadelphia public school, the application needs to be submitted to the school system by December 12th. Please use this website: <http://www.philasd.org/offices/studentplacement> , for information on applying to these schools. Most CW and SA schools have their own admissions requirements.**

# WHAT TO LOOK FOR IN A HIGH SCHOOL

## ACADEMICS

- How many, and what kinds, of Advanced Placement (AP) courses are offered? **The more, the better.**
- What is the teaching philosophy? Do you think that this aligns with your academic needs?
- What sorts of academic opportunities does the school provide or encourage? Think educational field trips, independent research projects, internships, partnerships or collaborations with other schools or organizations, and summer programs.
- What is the average class size?

### QUESTIONS TO ASK STUDENTS AND TEACHERS:

- What is the academic environment of the school? Is it competitive? Do students help each other? Do students respect and like their teachers? Do the students seem eager and ready to learn?
- What do other students at the school say about the workload? Ask students if they feel that the school and their teachers have prepared them with the skills they need to complete the work successfully.

## LOCATION

- How will I get back and forth from school?
- How long is the commute? How much will the commute cost?
- Does the school provide any sort of transportation?

## COST

- What is the tuition? How much do fees, books, and uniforms cost?
- How much financial-aid will the school grant?
- How often will I have to re-apply for financial-aid?

## EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- How important are sports to the culture of the school? How competitive are the teams? Are there any intramural sports offered?
- How big and involved are the other extra-curricular activities that interest you (ex. drama, student government)?

## VALUES

- Is the school affiliated with a religion? If so, how prevalent is that religion in the curriculum and culture of the school? What percentage of the student body is a part of that religion?
- How do the school's values match up with your family's values or your personal values? What will the teachers advocate as right and wrong?
- What approach does the school have, if any, to sex education?
- Is the school co-ed, or single-sex? What are benefits and drawbacks of going to a co-ed vs. single-sex school?
- How racially and ethnically diverse is the school?

## **PAYING FOR PRIVATE HIGH SCHOOL**

Tuition, fees, and books at private high schools can be very expensive. However, there is good news: most private high schools offer financial aid programs to families who do not have the resources to pay the tuition on their own. Be sure to ask about financial aid programs offered by the school.

There are also many individual organizations that offer scholarships and grants to high school students. Below is a list of a few of those organizations. **CSFP does not award any scholarships for high school students and we are not affiliated with any of the following organizations.**

### **Scholarship Programs**

#### **Charles E. Ellis Trust**

**Who is eligible:** *Female Philadelphia residents in grades 9-12 living in a household where one or both parents are absent, good grades and demonstrate a financial need,*

**What type of support/aid do they give:** *Scholarship support and other financial resources*

**Application Deadline:** *March*

**Contact info:** *www.ellistrust.org, 215-790-1666, [ellistrust@philadelphiafutures.org](mailto:ellistrust@philadelphiafutures.org)*

#### **Josephine C. Connelly Achievement Awards**

**Who is eligible:** *Current 8<sup>th</sup> grade students who attend a parish elementary school and attended a parish school in 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade*

**What type of support/aid do they give:** *Financial grants, personal academic counseling*

**Application Deadline:** *\*\*This award is given out by schools and students are selected by a parish committee at their school. Contact your parish school for more information.*

**Contact info:** *Individual Parish Elementary School*

#### **Neumann Scholars Program**

**Who is eligible:** *8<sup>th</sup> grade students at Archdiocesan schools who attended a parish school in 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade, achieved a high score on the 7<sup>th</sup> grade Terra Nova test, achieved a 92 average in the first marking period of 8<sup>th</sup> grade, students who qualify will then receive an invitation to take the Neumann Scholars exam*

**What type of support/aid do they give:** *Four year scholarship support*

**Application Deadline:** *Letters of invitation to sit for the Neumann Scholars exam are sent by school principals to **eligible** students in January.*

**Contact info:** *Individual Parish Elementary School*

#### **Archdiocese of Philadelphia Tuition Assistance**

**Who is eligible:** *students who attend archdiocese's schools that demonstrate a financial need. Use this form to apply for BLOCS and TAP.*

**What type of support/aid do they give:** *scholarships/grants*

**Application Deadline:** *March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014*

**http://www.catholicschools-phl.org/uploads/PSAS-14-15.pdf**      **Phone:** (215) 587-3700

#### **BLOCS**

**Who is eligible:** *Students attending a Catholic school in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia and who have a financial need*

**What type of support/aid do they give:** *Scholarship support*

**Application Deadline:** *Applications available in January, deadline is mid April*

**Contact info:** *www.blocs.org, 484-704-2300, [info@blocs.org](mailto:info@blocs.org)*

#### **Tuition Assistance Program (TAP)**

**Who is eligible:** *Students attending an Archdiocesan High School, demonstrate a financial need*

**What type of support/aid do they give:** *Scholarship support*

**Application Deadline:** *April 15<sup>th</sup>*

**Contact info:** *http://www.catholicschools-phl.org/parent-resources/tuition-assistance-high-school, 215-587-3700*

#### **Faith First Educational Assistance Corporation**

**who is eligible:** *parents who attend the Parent Engagement Meeting (PEM) with kids in K-12<sup>th</sup> grade. On a first-come, first-serve basis.*

**What type of support/aid do they give:** *guidance in becoming a parent advocate in education for their children and scholarships to attend a reputable school*

**Application Deadline:** *contact organization*

**Contact:** *Alberta Wilson, Phone: (215) 870-9454, Email: [albertaahh@aol.com](mailto:albertaahh@aol.com) [www.faithschoice.org](http://www.faithschoice.org)*

**Officer Daniel Boyle Scholarship Fund**

**Who is eligible:** students attending Archbishop Ryan High School, Monsignor Bonner, Cardinal O'Hara, Cardinal Brennan and Roman Catholic High Schools

**What type of support/aid do they give:** scholarships

**Application Deadline:** contact organization

[www.officerdanielboyle.com](http://www.officerdanielboyle.com)

Email: boyles410@aol.com

**A Better Chance**

**Who is eligible:** *Students of color in grades 5-10*

**What type of support/aid do they give:** *Referral to public and independent schools and leadership development*

**Application Deadline:** *The application is due in two parts, Part I is due October 1<sup>st</sup> and Part II is due November 1<sup>st</sup>*

[www.abetterchance.org](http://www.abetterchance.org)

Phone: (800) 562-7865

**Jack Kent Cooke Foundation**

**Who is eligible:** *Students who will enter 8<sup>th</sup> grade in the fall of 2011, mostly A's and B's, demonstrate financial need*

**What type of support/aid do they give:** *Guidance in selecting a high school, summer academic and enrichment programs, Specialized support, resources, etc.*

**Deadlines:** *Applications become available in mid-January & closes in mid-March, applications due by April 25, 2011*

[www.jkcf.org](http://www.jkcf.org)

Phone: (703)723-8000, Email: jkc@jhu.edu

**Association of Christian Schools International (ASCI's) Children's Tuition Fund**

**Who is eligible:** children who demonstrate economic need and attend approved member Christian schools in PA.

**What type of support/aid do they give:** scholarships

**Deadlines:** contact organization

[www.acsiglobal.org](http://www.acsiglobal.org)

Phone: (717) 285-3022, Email: catherine\_long@acsi.org

**Bridge Educational Foundation**

**Who is eligible:** families with economic need & who complete a formal request by deadline, scholarship is distributed on first-come first-serve basis

**What type of support/aid do they give:** scholarships

**Deadlines:** May 1<sup>st</sup> – June 30<sup>th</sup>

[www.bridgeedu.org](http://www.bridgeedu.org)

Contact: Natalie Nutt, Phone: (717) 214-6792, Email: natalie.nutt@bridgeedu.org

**CEO America Lehigh Valley**

**Who is eligible:** *Students in grades 2-12 who are leaving public school to attend private school and have a household income of less than \$50,000*

**What type of support/aid do they give:** *Scholarship support*

**Application Deadline:** *Contact CEO America* [www.ceoamerica.net](http://www.ceoamerica.net) Contact: Jim Saunders, Phone: (610) 776-8740

**Family Choice Scholarship Fund of the PA Family Institute**

**Who is eligible:** families who demonstrate financial need, distributed on first-come first-serve basis

**What type of support/aid do they give:** scholarships

**Application Deadline:** May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014

[www.pafamily.org](http://www.pafamily.org)

Phone: (717) 545-0600

**Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia**

**Who is eligible:** families who demonstrate financial need

**What type of support/aid do they give:** Loans and Scholarships

**Application Deadline:** March 1<sup>st</sup> – May 15<sup>th</sup>

[www.jewishphilly.org](http://www.jewishphilly.org)

Contact: Shannon Greenstein, Phone: (215) 832-0530, Email: [sgreenstein@jfgp.org](mailto:sgreenstein@jfgp.org)

### **Tuition Loan Programs**

Tuition loan programs assist families in making tuition payments more affordable by providing the funds upfront and spreading the payments over a longer period of time than tuition payment plans allow. If you are interested in any of the providers listed here, please contact them directly for current fees, rates, and other details. Most, if not all, are credit-based loans and may have different standards of creditworthiness. In some cases-the school must be a participant in the program.

Citibank / The Student Loan Corporation

Phone: (800) 223-5614

[www.studentloan.com](http://www.studentloan.com)

Key Education Resources

Phone: (800) KEY-LEND (800-539-2968)

[www.keybank.com](http://www.keybank.com)

Sallie Mae

(877)279-7172

[www.salliemae.com/k12loan](http://www.salliemae.com/k12loan)

Your Tuition Solution

(800) 920-9777

[www.yourtutionsolution.com](http://www.yourtutionsolution.com)

## **STUDENTS:**

### **WHAT TO EXPECT IN THE NEXT FOUR YEARS**

The next four years will be exciting because you will meet new people, be introduced to new classes, and participate in different activities. You can expect to be challenged. However, by keeping a positive perspective you will meet those challenges and continue achieving your goals.

#### **Freshman Year** (9th grade)

You will meet many new people and make new friends. Classes may be larger and more advanced than they were in middle school. Rules may be enforced differently than at your previous school, and the workload will have increased. There may be times of frustration, but it is important that you do not get discouraged and remember that everyone goes through the same thing during their first year. You should try out every new activity or sport that peaks your interest and throw yourself into your new school's traditions and social opportunities. Remember that colleges will look at your 9<sup>th</sup> grade year, including grades and activities. Start good study habits now.

#### **Sophomore Year** (10th grade)

You will be much more comfortable in your high school setting. Your academic ability will continue to expand and you will have learned the formalities and procedures of high school classes. Set academic goals for yourself and think about your academic and extra-curricular interests more deeply. This year, you will continue with your required classes but you will also have a choice in picking elective classes that speak to your specific interests and talents.

Many schools administer the PSAT (Preliminary Scholastic Assessment Test) for 10<sup>th</sup> graders in their spring semester. The PSAT, often called the "practice SAT," has verbal, math, and writing components just like the regular SAT. Although your scores on the PSAT do not impact your grades and are not sent to any colleges, it is important to take in order to familiarize yourself with taking a college admissions exam. Also, they are used by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation to award the National Merit Scholar awards and to determine eligibility for some merit-based scholarships for college. If you don't sign up for the PSAT in the spring of your sophomore year, you should take it during the fall of your junior year. For more information, please contact the College Board (1-888-477-PSAT, [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)).

#### **Junior Year** (11th grade)

Many high school students say that this is the most important year academically. Colleges obviously want to see the best grades possible, but they are also looking for your grades to take an upward swing from year to year. If you apply for early admission to a college, that college will not be able to see your senior year, first semester, grades because of the early deadline. Thus, your junior year grades become extremely important. Try not to stress about this. Just buckle down, work hard, and ask for help where needed. Discuss taking more challenging honors and AP courses with your parents, teachers, and school counselors. It is important to challenge yourself without overwhelming yourself at the same time.

In the spring of your junior year, you should start studying for and preparing to take the SAT (Scholastic Assessment Test). You may take the SAT as many times as you wish, and you may choose which scores to send off to colleges that you are applying to. Study for and take the SAT in the late spring of your junior year. If you are not happy with the scores, study more over the summer and re-take the test in the fall of your senior year. For more information, please contact the College Board (1-866-756-7346, [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)).

#### **Senior Year** (12th grade)

Graduation! This is an amazing year. You might be a little overwhelmed with everything that is taking place, but this is the year that will prepare you for your transition into college. When choosing a college or university, keep in mind all the factors you took into account when choosing a high school. Take advantage of your school's college counselor's office to research schools, scholarships, and financial aid. There are deadlines and qualifications you will have to meet in order to receive aid. Make sure to keep on top of your SAT's, college applications, essays, recommendations, and school work amid all of the excitement and celebrations. As the year ends, you will look back on high school and wonder how time flew by so quickly.



## The High School Landscape

There are four major high school categories: District, Charter, Parochial, and Independent schools.

Visit [www.greatphillyschools.org](http://www.greatphillyschools.org) for more information on individual high school's academic results, safety, demographics, and special programs.

### District Schools

- **Special Admission /Magnet HS** (19) have the most stringent academic criteria and the most discretion over whom to accept.  
They require: test scores, grades, attendance, and behavior records
- **Citywide Admission Schools** (8) that have less stringent criteria and select students through a lottery after eliminating students who don't qualify.
- **Neighborhood Schools** (23) are required to enroll all students who live within their attendance boundaries, including students who return from disciplinary schools and incarceration.

### **What is the difference between a special admission and a citywide admission high school?**

Special admission schools have more stringent entrance criteria. Students accepted to special admission schools must meet the school's test score, grade, and attendance requirements. Citywide admission schools give less weight to test scores, but do set minimum standards regarding grades, attendance, and discipline records.

The principals and their selection teams at special admission schools make the admission decision based on an evaluation of each student's academic record against the school's entrance criteria. Citywide admission schools also conduct an evaluation of each student's academic record against the school's entrance criteria. But they put all students that meet the entrance criteria into a computerized lottery that randomly selects the students to be offered admission.

Important things to remember:

#### **1. When should I start working on this?**

No later than the beginning of 7th grade. Selective high schools look at 7th-grade attendance, grades, and test scores in determining who is qualified to attend.

#### **2. How do I apply? What's the deadline?**

This year, the District's application process will be conducted online only. Students and their families can access an application on the District's website starting on Oct. 17. All 8th-grade students, even those who intend to go to their neighborhood high school, are being asked to participate in the selection process. Applications will be accepted until 5 p.m. on Dec. 12.

### 3. **How will the online application system be different from the old system?**

Until now, students filled out their applications on paper and gave them to the school counselor for final submission. Now, students and families will be responsible for filling out and submitting the application online. Counselors will have access to the applications of all the students in their school so they can advise students on their choices. Students should take the initiative to get this help.

In the spring, students will get a letter from the District indicating whether they are admitted to any of their five choices. Students admitted to more than one school have two weeks to make a selection.

#### Charter Schools

- There are 35+ charter high schools and approximately, one in six public school students attend charter schools.
- Charter Schools base their curricula on different themes. Be sure to choose a charter school that fits your academic, extracurricular, and professional interests.
- By law, charters must give **all** applicants an equal chance at admission. If more students apply than there are spaces available, students are accepted by lottery.
- Most charter schools have their own application form and deadline. Students may also be required to attend an open house, have an interview or provide additional information.
- Parents must contact each charter school individually to get an application and find out about the admissions process.

Note: It is important to do your research – not all charter schools make sufficient Annual Yearly Progress (AYP) as measured by the Pa. Department of Education. You can check if a school has made AYP in past years at:

[http://webgui.phila.k12.pa.us/uploads/8q/1x/8q1x4ECY\\_GE1SeB6bHtPpw/Charter-AYP-fact-sheet-AYP-fact-sheet.pdf](http://webgui.phila.k12.pa.us/uploads/8q/1x/8q1x4ECY_GE1SeB6bHtPpw/Charter-AYP-fact-sheet-AYP-fact-sheet.pdf)

### 1. **How do I get into a charter school?**

Students must apply to the school directly. Charter schools must conduct lotteries if they have more applicants than spaces. They are not permitted to pick and choose their students. However, many have detailed applications. Deadlines for entering into their lotteries vary. This year, charter schools have been urged to use a common application and adhere to the District's Dec. 12 deadline. Some charter high schools are doing this. The common application and the list of charters using it will be available online at [PhillySchoolApp.org](http://PhillySchoolApp.org).

## Parochial Schools

- There are 17 Archdiocesan Catholic high schools in the Philadelphia area. Some are very selective and many have specialized programs to fit your personal interests (similar to charter schools).
- Please contact each school to find out about their admission's requirements.
- Scholarships are available at each high school and through BLOCS: <http://www.blocs.org/blocs-programs/scholarships/>
- More information on Catholic high schools can be found at: <http://archphila.org/highschools.htm>

## Independent Schools

- There are a large number of independent/private schools in the Delaware Valley.
- All independent schools have admission's requirements that may involve an application, school records, letters of recommendations, an interview and/or a school visit.
- Some schools are single-sex while others are co-ed. Independent schools can be nonsectarian or faith-based and some schools offer a boarding option.
- Scholarships are available.

### A Few Examples of Independent Schools

Abington Friends School	Day	Co-ed	Quaker
Academy of Notre Dame de Namur	Day	Girls	Catholic
Friends' Central School*	Day	Co-ed	Quaker
The Haverford School	Day	Boys	Nonsectarian
The Church Farm School	Day & Boarding	Boys	Episcopal

\* The term "Friends" means Quaker

More information and links to independent schools in the Philadelphia area can be found on the ADVIS website: [http://www.advis.org/RelId/606507/ISvars/default/Find\\_a\\_School.htm](http://www.advis.org/RelId/606507/ISvars/default/Find_a_School.htm)

### In Conclusion...

- Visit [www.greatphillyschools.org](http://www.greatphillyschools.org) for more information on any school you are interested in.
- Choose a school that is a "good fit" for you.
- While you can transfer high schools, it is easier to find the "right fit" the first time.
- If you like sports, performing arts, or have a special interest in a specific area (cooking, technology etc..) make sure the school you choose has it.
- If you need a scholarship to attend, financial aid papers will need to be filled out. Also, the deadline for financial aid may be different than the deadline for submitting your admissions application.
- According to a recent analysis of School District data by *Research for Action*, 58 percent of District high school students are enrolled in schools that they did not choose. **Don't let this happen to you.**
- High school admissions is very selective. In years past, nearly 80 percent of Philadelphia School District 8th graders apply to attend a school **other than** their assigned neighborhood high school.

## Philadelphia Area Private High Schools

The following is a list of independent private high schools in the Philadelphia area. CSFP does not endorse nor recommend any specific school, and only you can determine which of these schools would make the best educational environment for you. We encourage you to contact schools you may be interested in, research their websites, and apply for financial aid programs immediately if you have any interest in attending.

### PENNSYLVANIA PRIVATE SCHOOLS

<p><b>Abington Friends School</b> 575 Washington Lane Jenkintown, PA 19046 Phone: (215) 886-4350 Fax: (215) 886-9143 <a href="http://www.abingtonfriends.net">www.abingtonfriends.net</a> Quaker/Friends, Co-Ed</p>	<p><b>Academy of Notre Dame de Namur</b> 560 Sproul Road Villanova, PA 19085 Phone: (610) 687-0650 Fax: (610) 687-1912 <a href="http://www.ndapa.org/">www.ndapa.org/</a> Catholic, Girls</p>	<p><b>Academy of the New Church Secondary Schools</b> 2815 Benade Circle Bryn Athyn, PA 19009 Phone: (267) 502-2500 <a href="http://www.ancss.org/">www.ancss.org/</a> New Church, Separate schools for girls &amp; boys</p>
<p><b>The Agnes Irwin School</b> Ithan Avenue and Conestoga Road Rosemont, PA 19010-1042 Phone: (610) 525-8400 Fax: (610) 525-8908 <a href="http://www.agnesirwin.org/">www.agnesirwin.org/</a> Girls</p>	<p><b>The Baldwin School</b> 701 W. Montgomery Avenue Bryn Mawr, PA 19010 Phone: (610) 525-2700 <a href="http://www.baldwinschool.org">www.baldwinschool.org</a> Girls</p>	<p><b>CFS, The School at Church Farm</b> 1001 E. Lincoln Hwy. Exton, PA 19341 Phone: (610) 363-7500 Fax: (610) 363-5367 <a href="http://www.gocfs.net">www.gocfs.net</a> Christian, Boys</p>
<p><b>Chestnut Hill Academy</b> 500 West Willow Grove Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19118 Phone: (215) 247-7200 Fax: (215) 247-1068 <a href="http://www.chestnuthillacademy.org/">www.chestnuthillacademy.org/</a> Co-Ed with the Springside School</p>	<p><b>Country Day School of the Sacred Heart</b> 480 Bryn Mawr Avenue Bryn Mawr, PA 19010 Phone: (610) 527-3915 Fax: (610) 527-0942 <a href="http://www.cdssh.org">www.cdssh.org</a> Catholic, Girls</p>	<p><b>Delaware Valley Friends School</b> 19 E. Central Avenue Paoli, PA 19301 Phone: (610) 640-4150 Fax: (610) 296-9970 <a href="http://www.dvfs.org">www.dvfs.org</a> Quaker/Friends, Co-Ed</p>
<p><b>Devon Preparatory School</b> 363 North Valley Forge Road Devon, PA 19333 Phone: (610) 688-7337 <a href="http://www.devonprep.com/">http://www.devonprep.com/</a> Catholic, Boys</p>	<p><b>The Episcopal Academy</b> 1785 Bishop White Drive Newtown Square, PA 19073 Phone: (484) 424-1400 <a href="http://www.episcopalacademy.org">www.episcopalacademy.org</a> Episcopal, Co-Ed</p>	<p><b>Friends Select School</b> 17th &amp; Benjamin Franklin Parkway Philadelphia, PA 19103-1284 Phone: (215) 561-5900 Fax: (215) 864-2979 <a href="http://www.friends-select.org">www.friends-select.org</a> Quaker/Friends, Co-Ed</p>
<p><b>Friends' Central School</b> 1101 City Avenue Wynnewood, PA 19096 Phone: (610) 649-7440 <a href="http://www.friendscentral.org">www.friendscentral.org</a> Quaker/Friends, Co-Ed</p>	<p><b>George School</b> 1690 Newtown Langhorne Road Newtown, PA 18940 Phone: (215) 579-6500 <a href="http://www.georgeschool.org">www.georgeschool.org</a> Quaker/Friends, Co-Ed</p>	<p><b>Germantown Academy</b> 340 Morris Road Fort Washington, PA 19034 Phone: (215) 646-3300 <a href="http://www.germantownacademy.net">www.germantownacademy.net</a> Co-Ed</p>

<p><b>Germantown Friends School</b>  31 West Coulter Street  Philadelphia, PA 19144  Phone: (215) 951-2300  <a href="http://www.germantownfriends.org">www.germantownfriends.org</a>  Quaker/Friends, Co-Ed</p>	<p><b>Girard College</b>  2101 South College Avenue  Philadelphia, PA 19121  Phone: (215) 787-2600  <a href="http://www.girardcollege.edu">www.girardcollege.edu</a>  Co-Ed</p>	<p><b>The Haverford School</b>  450 Lancaster Avenue  Haverford, PA 19041  Phone: (610) 642-3020  <a href="http://www.haverford.org">www.haverford.org</a>  Boys</p>
<p><b>The Hill School</b>  717 East High Street  Pottstown, PA 19464  Phone: (610) 326-1000  <a href="http://www.thehill.org">www.thehill.org</a>  Co-Ed</p>	<p><b>Hill Top Preparatory School</b>  737 South Ithan Avenue  Rosemont, PA 19010  Phone: (610) 527-3230  <a href="http://www.hilltopprep.org">www.hilltopprep.org</a>  Co-Ed, "Serving Bright Students  with Learning Disabilities"</p>	<p><b>Holy Ghost Preparatory School</b>  2429 Bristol Pike  Bensalem, PA 19020  Phone: (215) 639-2102  Fax: (215) 639-4225  <a href="http://www.holyghostprep.org">www.holyghostprep.org</a>  Catholic, Boys</p>
<p><b>Jack M. Barrack Hebrew Academy</b>  272 South Bryn Mawr Avenue  Bryn Mawr, PA 19010  Phone: (610) 922-2300  <a href="http://www.jbha.org">www.jbha.org</a>  Jewish, Co-Ed</p>	<p><b>Kimberton Waldorf School</b>  410 West Seven Stars Road  Kimberton, PA 19442  Phone: (610) 933-3635  <a href="http://www.kimberton.org">www.kimberton.org</a>  Co-Ed</p>	<p><b>La Salle College High School</b>  8605 Cheltenham Avenue,  Wyndmoor, PA 19038  Phone: 215-233-2911  Fax: 215-233-1418  <a href="http://www.lschs.org">www.lschs.org</a>  Catholic, Boys</p>
<p><b>Malvern Preparatory School</b>  418 S. Warren Avenue  Malvern, PA 19355  Phone: (484) 595-1100  <a href="http://www.malvernprep.org">www.malvernprep.org</a>  Catholic, Boys</p>	<p><b>Moorestown Friends School</b>  110 E. Main Street  Moorestown, NJ 08057  Phone: (856) 235-2900  <a href="http://www.mfriends.org">www.mfriends.org</a>  Quaker/Friends, Co-Ed</p>	<p><b>Mount Saint Joseph Academy</b>  120 W. Wissahickon Avenue  Flourtown, PA 19031  Phone: (215) 233-3177  Fax: (215) 233-4734  <a href="http://www.msjacad.org">www.msjacad.org</a>  Catholic, Girls</p>
<p><b>Perkiomen School</b>  200 Seminary St  Pennsburg, PA 18073  Phone: (215) 679-9511  Fax: (215) 679-5202  <a href="http://www.perkiomen.org">www.perkiomen.org</a>  Co-Ed</p>	<p><b>The Phelps School</b>  583 Sugartown Road  Malvern, PA 19355  Phone: (610) 644-1754  Fax: (610) 644-6679  <a href="http://www.thephelpsschool.org">www.thephelpsschool.org</a>  Boys</p>	<p><b>The Shipley School</b>  814 Yarrow Street  Bryn Mawr, PA 19010  Phone: (610) 525-4300  Fax: (610) 525-5082  <a href="http://www.shipleyschool.org">www.shipleyschool.org</a>  Co-Ed</p>
<p><b>Solebury School</b>  6832 Phillips Mill Road  New Hope, PA 18938  Phone: (215) 862-5261  <a href="http://www.solebury.org">www.solebury.org</a>  Co-Ed</p>	<p><b>Springside School</b>  8000 Cherokee Street  Philadelphia, PA 19118  Phone: (215) 247-7200  <a href="http://www.sch.org">www.sch.org</a>  Co-Ed with Chestnut Hill  Academy</p>	<p><b>St. Joseph's Preparatory Academy</b>  1733 West Girard Avenue  Philadelphia, PA 19130  Phone: (215) 978-1950  Fax: (215) 765-1710  <a href="http://www.sjprep.org">www.sjprep.org</a>  Catholic, Boys</p>

<p><b>Valley Forge Military Academy</b>  1001 Eagle Road  Wayne, PA 19087  Phone: (610) 989-1200  <a href="http://www.vfmac.edu">www.vfmac.edu</a>  Military, Co-Ed</p>	<p><b>Villa Joseph Marie High School</b>  1180 Holland Road  Holland, PA 18966  Phone: (215) 357-8810  <a href="http://www.vjmhs.org">www.vjmhs.org</a>  Catholic, Girls</p>	<p><b>Westtown School</b>  975 Westtown Road  Westtown, PA 19382  Phone: (610) 399-0123  Fax: (610) 399-3760  <a href="http://www.westtown.edu">www.westtown.edu</a>  Quaker/Friends, Co-Ed</p>
<p><b>William Penn Charter School</b>  3000 West School House Lane  Philadelphia, PA 19144  Phone: (215) 844-3460  <a href="http://www.penncharter.com">www.penncharter.com</a>  Quaker/Friends, Co-Ed</p>	<p><b>Woodlynde School</b>  445 Upper Gulph Road  Strafford, PA 19087  Phone: (610) 687-9660  Fax: (610) 687-4752  <a href="http://www.woodlynde.org">www.woodlynde.org</a>  Co-Ed</p>	

**DELAWARE & NEW JERSEY PRIVATE SCHOOLS**

<p><b>Archmere Academy</b>  3600 Philadelphia Pike  Claymont, DE 19703  Phone: (302) 798-6632  Fax: (302) 798-7290  <a href="http://www.archmereacademy.com">www.archmereacademy.com</a>  Catholic, Co-Ed</p>	<p><b>St. Mark's High School</b>  2501 Pike Creek Road  Wilmington, DE 19808  Phone: (302) 738-3300  Fax: (302) 738-5132  <a href="http://www.stmarkshs.net">www.stmarkshs.net</a>  Catholic, Co-Ed</p>	<p><b>Sanford School</b>  6900 Lancaster Pike  Hockessin, DE 19707  Phone: (302) 235-6500  Fax: (302) 239-5389  <a href="http://www.sanfordschool.org">www.sanfordschool.org</a>  Co-Ed</p>
<p><b>St. Andrew's School</b>  350 Noxontown Road  Middletown, DE 19709  Phone: (302) 378-9511  Fax: (302) 378-7120  <a href="http://www.standrews-de.org">www.standrews-de.org</a>  Episcopal, Co-Ed</p>	<p><b>Doane Academy</b>  350 Riverbank  Burlington, NJ 08016  Phone: (609) 386-3500  <a href="http://www.doaneacademy.org">www.doaneacademy.org</a>  Episcopal, Co-Ed</p>	<p><b>The Tatnall School</b>  1501 Barley Mill Road  Wilmington, DE 19807  Phone: (302) 998-2292  <a href="http://www.tatnall.org">www.tatnall.org</a>  Co-Ed</p>
<p><b>Tower Hill School</b>  2813 West 17th Street  Wilmington, DE 19806  Phone: (302) 575.0550  Fax: (302) 657.8366  <a href="http://www.towerhill.org">www.towerhill.org</a>  Co-Ed</p>	<p><b>Ursuline Academy</b>  1106 Pennsylvania Avenue  Wilmington, DE 19806  Phone: (302) 658-7158  <a href="http://www.ursuline.org">www.ursuline.org</a>  Catholic, Girls</p>	<p><b>Wilmington Friends School</b>  101 School Rd  Wilmington, DE 19803  Phone: (302) 576-2900  <a href="http://www.wilmingtonfriends.org">www.wilmingtonfriends.org</a>  Quaker/Friends, Co-Ed</p>

## Philadelphia Catholic Archdiocese High Schools

The following private schools are a part of the Catholic Archdiocese of Philadelphia. The Archdiocese has its own school board, and sets its own curriculum and tuition prices for its member schools. Tuition for schools in the Archdiocese is generally significantly lower than in independent private high schools. The Archdiocese may charge a supplemental tuition fee for students who are not Catholic or whose family does not belong to a parish. Financial aid is not administered through the school directly like in other private schools, but through the Archdiocese's Tuition Assistance program. **Please see the Archdiocese website for more information, including a list of more high schools, at [www.catholicschools-phl.org](http://www.catholicschools-phl.org).** CSPF does not endorse or recommend any specific school.

<p><b>Archbishop Ryan High School</b> 11201 Academy Road Philadelphia, PA 19154 Phone: (215) 637-1800 <a href="http://www.archbishopryan.com">www.archbishopryan.com</a> North Philadelphia, Co-Ed</p>	<p><b>Cardinal O'Hara High School</b> 1701 S. Sproul Road Springfield, PA 19064 Phone: (610) 544-3800 Fax: (610) 544-1189 <a href="http://www.cohs.com">www.cohs.com</a> Delaware County, Co-Ed</p>	<p><b>Father Judge High School</b> 3301 Solly Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19136 Phone: (215) 338-9494 <a href="http://www.fatherjudge.com">www.fatherjudge.com</a> North Philadelphia, Boys</p>
<p><b>John W. Hallahan Catholic Girls High School</b> 311 North 19th Street Philadelphia, PA 19103 Phone: (215) 563-8930 Fax: (215) 563-3809 <a href="http://www.jwhallahan.com">www.jwhallahan.com</a> South Philadelphia, Girls</p>	<p><b>Little Flower Catholic High School for Girls</b> 1000 W. Lycoming Street Philadelphia, PA 19140 Phone: (215) 455-6900 <a href="http://www.littleflowerhighschool.org">www.littleflowerhighschool.org</a> North Philadelphia, Girls</p>	<p><b>Roman Catholic High School</b> 301 N. Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19107 Phone: (215) 627-1270 Fax: (215) 627-4979 <a href="http://www.romancatholicchs.com">www.romancatholicchs.com</a> South Philadelphia, Boys</p>
<p><b>SS Neumann Goretti High School</b> 1736 South Tenth Street Philadelphia, PA 19148 Phone: (215) 465-8437 <a href="http://www.neumanngoretti.org">www.neumanngoretti.org</a> South Philadelphia, Co-Ed</p>	<p><b>St. Hubert Catholic High School for Girls</b> 7320 Torresdale Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19136 Phone: (215) 624-6840 Fax: (215) 624-5940 <a href="http://www.huberts.org">www.huberts.org</a> North Philadelphia, Girls</p>	<p><b>West Philadelphia Catholic High School</b> 4501 Chestnut Street Philadelphia, PA 19139 Phone: (215) 386-2244 <a href="http://www.westcatholic.org">www.westcatholic.org</a> South Philadelphia, Co-Ed</p>
<p><b>Mercy Vocational High School</b> 2900 W. Hunting Park Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19129 Phone: (215) 226-1225 Fax: (215) 228-6337 <a href="http://www.mercyvocational.org">www.mercyvocational.org</a> North Philadelphia, Co-Ed</p>	<p><b>Bishop McDevitt High School</b> 125 Royal Avenue Wyncote, PA 19095 Phone: (215) 887-5575 Fax: (215) 887-1371 <a href="http://www.mcdevitths.org">www.mcdevitths.org</a> Montgomery County, Co-Ed</p>	<p><b>Conwell-Egan Catholic High School</b> 611 Wistar Road Fairless Hills, PA 19030 Phone: (215) 945-6200 <a href="http://www.conwell-egan.org">www.conwell-egan.org</a> Bucks County, Co-Ed</p>
<p><b>Archbishop Wood Catholic High School</b> 655 York Road Warminster, PA 18974 Phone: (215) 672-5050 <a href="http://www.archwood.org">www.archwood.org</a> Bucks County, Co-Ed</p>	<p><b>Archbishop Carroll High School</b> 211 Matson Ford Road Radnor, PA 19087 Phone: (610) 688-7610 Fax: (610) 688-8326 <a href="http://www.jcarroll.org">www.jcarroll.org</a> Delaware County, Co-Ed</p>	<p><b>Bishop Shanahan High School</b> 220 Woodbine Road, Downingtown, PA 19335 Phone: (610) 518-1300 <a href="http://www.shanahan.org">www.shanahan.org</a> Chester County, Co-Ed</p>

<p><b>Lansdale Catholic High School</b>  700 Lansdale Avenue  Lansdale, PA 19446  Phone: (215) 362-6160  <a href="http://www.lansdalecatholic.com">www.lansdalecatholic.com</a>  Montgomery County, Co-Ed</p>	<p><b>Archbishop Prendergast High School</b>  401 N. Lansdowne Avenue  Drexel Hill, PA 19026  Phone: (610) 259-0280  <a href="http://www.bonnerprendie.com">www.bonnerprendie.com</a>  Delaware County, Co-Ed</p>	
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**Philadelphia Public Charter High Schools**

Charter schools are publicly funded schools that operate independently from the city’s Board of Education. While the following schools do have to abide by some state curriculum guidelines, the schools and their teachers have more freedom to design their own academic programs than those in traditional public schools. Many charter schools have a specific focus or concentration, such as science and technology, community service, or the arts. Because they receive public funding, charter schools are not allowed to charge tuition. Families do have to apply for admission and a lottery process is often used to select which applicants may enroll. **Please see the Philadelphia High School Directory (<http://goo.gl/PXmvjl>) for more specific information, including a list of more charter high schools.** CSFP does not endorse or recommend any particular school.

<p><b>Charter High School for Architecture &amp; Design</b>  105 S. 7<sup>th</sup> Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  Philadelphia, PA 19106  Phone: (215) 351-2900  Fax: (215) 351-9458  <a href="http://www.chadphila.org">www.chadphila.org</a></p>	<p><b>Boys Latin of Philadelphia Charter School</b>  5501 Cedar Avenue  Philadelphia, PA 19143  Phone: (215) 387-5149  Fax: (215) 387-5159  <a href="http://www.boyslatin.org">www.boyslatin.org</a></p>	<p><b>Community Academy of Philadelphia Charter School</b>  1100 E. Erie Avenue  Philadelphia, PA 19124  Phone: (215) 533-6700  Fax: (215) 533-6722  <a href="http://www.communityacademy.org">www.communityacademy.org</a></p>
<p><b>Franklin Towne Charter High School</b>  5301 Tacony Street, Box 310  Philadelphia, PA 19137  Phone: (215) 289-5000  Fax: (215) 535-8910  <a href="http://www.franklintowne.org">www.franklintowne.org</a></p>	<p><b>Mastery Charter School Lenfest Campus</b>  35 S. 4th Street  Philadelphia, PA 19106  Phone: (215) 922-1902  Fax: (215) 922-1903  <a href="http://www.masterycharter.org">www.masterycharter.org</a></p>	<p><b>Imhotep Institute Charter High School</b>  6201 N. 21<sup>st</sup> Street  Philadelphia, PA 19138  Phone: (215) 438-4140  Fax: (215) 438-4160  <a href="http://www.imhotepcharter.org">www.imhotepcharter.org</a></p>

<p><b>The Mathematics Civics and Sciences Charter School</b>  447 N. Broad Street  Philadelphia, PA 19123  Phone: (215) 923-4880  Fax: (215) 923-4859  <a href="http://www.mcscs.org">www.mcscs.org</a></p>	<p><b>Nueva Esperanza Academy Charter High School</b>  301 W. Hunting Park Avenue  Philadelphia, PA 19140  Phone: (215) 457-3667  Fax: (215) 457-4381  <a href="http://www.neacademy.org">www.neacademy.org</a></p>	<p><b>Mariana Bracetti Academy Charter School</b>  1840 Torresdale Avenue  Philadelphia, PA 19124  Phone: (215) 291-4436  Fax: (215) 291-4985  <a href="http://www.mbac.org">www.mbac.org</a></p>
<p><b>Delaware Valley Charter HS</b>  5201 Old York Road  Logan Plaza – Suite A  Philadelphia, PA 19141  Phone: (215) 455-2550  Fax: (215) 455-5701  <a href="http://www.dvchs.net">www.dvchs.net</a></p>	<p><b>Freire Charter School</b>  2027 Chestnut Street  Philadelphia, PA 19103  Phone: (215) 557-8555  Fax: (215) 557-9051  <a href="http://www.freirecharterschool.org">www.freirecharterschool.org</a></p>	<p><b>Maritime Academy Charter School</b>  2275 Bridge Street, Bldg. 11  Philadelphia, PA 19137  Phone: (215) 535-4555  Fax: (215) 535-4398  <a href="http://www.maritimecharter.org">www.maritimecharter.org</a></p>



<p><b>The Multi-Cultural Academy Charter School</b>  3821 N. Broad Street  Philadelphia, PA 19140  Phone: (215) 227-0513  Fax: (215) 227-0415  <a href="http://www.macs.k12.pa.us">www.macs.k12.pa.us</a></p>	<p><b>YouthBuild Philadelphia Charter School</b>  1231 N. Broad Street, 3rd Floor  Philadelphia, PA 19122  Phone: (215) 627-8671  Fax: (215) 763-5774  <i>Providing grade 12, for out-of-school youth</i>  <a href="http://www.youthbuildphilly.org">www.youthbuildphilly.org</a></p>	<p><b>Mathematics, Sciences &amp; Tech Community Charter School</b>  1800 E. Byberry Road  Philadelphia, PA 19116  Phone: (267) 348-1100  Fax: (267) 348-1217  <a href="http://www.mastccs.org">www.mastccs.org</a></p>
<p><b>Philadelphia Academy Charter School</b>  1700 Tomlinson Road  Philadelphia, PA 19116  Phone: (215) 676-3990  Fax: (215) 673-3341  <a href="http://www.philadelphiaacademy.org">www.philadelphiaacademy.org</a></p>	<p><b>World Communications Charter School</b>  512 S. Broad Street  Philadelphia, PA 19146  Phone: (215) 735-3198  Fax: (215) 735-3824  <a href="http://www.worldcomcs.org">www.worldcomcs.org</a></p>	<p><b>Philadelphia Electrical &amp; Technology Charter High</b>  1420-22 Chestnut Street  Philadelphia, PA 19102  Phone: (267) 514-1823  Fax: (267) 514-1834  <a href="http://www.petchs.org">www.petchs.org</a></p>
<p><b>Sankofa Freedom Academy</b>  4290 Penn Street  Philadelphia, PA 19124  Phone: 267 288-2001  Fax: 267 288-2099  <a href="http://www.sankofafreedomacademy.org">www.sankofafreedomacademy.org</a></p>	<p><b>Truebright Science Academy Charter School</b>  407 E. Roosevelt Blvd.  Philadelphia, PA 19120  Phone: (215) 455-0292  Fax: (215) 689-2500  <i>Providing Grades 7 – 10</i>  <a href="http://www.truebright.org">www.truebright.org</a></p>	<p><b>Cristo Rey Philadelphia Charter High School</b>  5218 N. Broad Street  Philadelphia, PA 19141  Phone: (215) 219-3943  <a href="http://www.cristoreyphiladelphia.org">www.cristoreyphiladelphia.org</a></p>

## Philadelphia Public High Schools

All eighth graders moving onto high school in the Philadelphia School District may choose up to five high schools to apply for. There are two types of high schools that have selective admissions criteria that we thought you should have information about if you are considering going to a public high school. Most of the following schools have special academic programs. **For more information about materials needed to apply to one of the following high schools, please see this website:** <http://www.philasd.org/>.

### Citywide Admission High Schools (CW schools)

Students are selected through a lottery process for the following schools. Generally, in order to be eligible for the lottery, students must attend an on-site interview and meet grade, attendance, and behavior standards. **Please see the Philadelphia High School Directory** (<http://goo.gl/PXmvjl>) for more specific information about special programs offered and admissions criteria.

<p><b>Dobbins Technical High School</b>  2150 W. Lehigh Avenue  Philadelphia, PA 19132  Phone: (215) 227-4421  <a href="http://www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/dobbins">www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/dobbins</a>  <i>Programs: barbering, business technology, accounting, cosmetology, computer systems, culinary, fashion design, graphic communications, plumbing, web/multimedia design</i></p>	<p><b>Mastbaum Technical High School</b>  3116 Frankford Avenue  Philadelphia, PA 19134  Phone: (215) 291-4703  <a href="http://www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/mastbaum">www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/mastbaum</a>  <i>Programs: auto repair, business technology, carpentry, culinary, electrical technology, electromechanical technology, graphic design, health technology, certified nursing assistant, welding</i></p>	<p><b>Constitution High School</b>  18 South 7th Street  Philadelphia, PA 19106  Phone: (215) 351-7310  <a href="http://www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/constitution">www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/constitution</a>  <i>Program: college-prep program in partnership with the National Constitution Center and the History Channel.</i>  <i>Students will be required to take two Social Studies courses each year and to engage in service learning throughout their academic tenure.</i></p>
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<p><b>A. Philip Randolph Career Academy</b>  3101 Henry Avenue  Philadelphia, PA 19129  Phone: (215) 227-4407  <i>Programs: auto repair, carpentry, culinary, electrical and power transmission, firefighter training academy, health technology, certified nursing assistant</i></p>	<p><b>Philadelphia High School for Business and Technology</b>  540 North 13th Street  Philadelphia, PA 19123  Phone: (215) 351-7375  <i>Programs: accounting/finance, business technology</i></p>	<p><b>Paul Robeson High School for Human Services</b>  4125 Ludlow Street  Philadelphia, PA 19104  Phone: (215) 823-8207  <a href="http://www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/robeson">www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/robeson</a>  <i>Programs: Urban Education Academy, health professions</i></p>
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**Special Admission High Schools (SA schools)**

These eighteen high schools are “magnet schools,” each with its own set of admissions criteria related to attendance, punctuality, behavior, grades, and standardized test scores. It is strongly recommended that you contact the schools regarding their own criteria for admissions. It is also advised that you review your own scholastic records prior to application.

<p><b>Academy at Palumbo</b>  1100 Catharine Street  Philadelphia, PA 19147  Phone: (215) 351-7618  <a href="http://www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/palumbo">www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/palumbo</a>  <i>Program: college-prep program modeled after Central High School</i></p>	<p><b>Arts Academy at Benjamin Rush High School</b>  11081 Knights Road  Philadelphia, PA 19154  Phone: (215) 281-2603  <i>Programs: art, dance, instrumental music, theatre, vocal music</i></p>	<p><b>Bodine High School for International Affairs</b>  1101 North 4th Street  Philadelphia, PA 19123  Phone: (215) 351-7332  <a href="http://www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/bodine">www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/bodine</a>  <i>Program: International Baccalaureate</i></p>
<p><b>CAPA - High School for Creative and Performing Arts</b>  901 South Broad Street  Avenue of the Arts  Philadelphia, PA 19147  Phone: (215) 952-2462  <a href="http://www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/capa">www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/capa</a>  <i>Programs: creative and performing arts, radio, television, communications, graphics</i></p>	<p><b>Walter Biddle Saul High School for Agricultural Sciences</b>  7100 Henry Avenue  Philadelphia, PA 19128  Phone: (215) 487-4467  <a href="http://www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/saul">www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/saul</a>  <i>Programs: Agriculture, Food Science, Animals Science, Pre-veterinary, Applied Horticulture, Floriculture, Greenhouse Management, Landscape Design, Natural Resource Management</i></p>	<p><b>Science Leadership Academy</b>  55 North 22nd Street  Philadelphia, PA 19103  Phone: (215) 979-5620  <a href="http://www.scienceleadership.org">www.scienceleadership.org</a>  <i>Program: project-based, college-prep program in partnership with the Franklin Institute.</i></p>

<p><b>Franklin Learning Center</b>  616 North 15th Street  Philadelphia, PA 19130  Phone: (215) 684-5916  <a href="http://www.flc.phila.k12.pa.us">www.flc.phila.k12.pa.us</a>  <i>Programs: art, computer and business applications, dance, drama, health, humanities/liberal arts, instrumental music, vocal music</i></p>	<p><b>GAMP – Girard Academic Music Program</b>  2136 W. Ritner Streets  Philadelphia, PA 19145  Phone: (215) 952-8589  <a href="http://www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/gamp">www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/gamp</a>  <i>Program: creative and performing arts</i></p>	<p><b>Lankenau High School</b>  201 Spring Lane  Philadelphia, PA 19128  Phone: (215) 487-4465  <a href="http://www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/lankenau">www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/lankenau</a>  <i>Programs: environmental science and urban education academy</i></p>
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<p><b>J.R. Masterman Laboratory and Demonstration High School</b>  1699 Spring Garden Streets  Philadelphia, PA 19130  Phone: (215) 299-4661  <a href="http://www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/masterman">www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/masterman</a></p>	<p><b>Motivation High School</b>  5900 Baltimore Avenue  Philadelphia, PA 19143  Phone: (215) 492-6451  <a href="http://www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/motivation">www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/motivation</a>  <i>Programs: liberal arts, web/multimedia design</i></p>	<p><b>Northeast Medical, Engineering and Aerospace Magnet at Northeast High School</b>  1601 Cottman Avenue  Philadelphia, PA 19111  Phone: (215) 728-5019  <a href="http://www.nehs.phila.k12.pa.us">www.nehs.phila.k12.pa.us</a>  <i>Program: Project SPARC</i></p>
<p><b>Parkway Center City High School</b>  540 North 13th Street  Philadelphia, PA 19123  Phone: (215) 351-7095 or 7096  <a href="http://www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/parkwaycc">www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/parkwaycc</a>  <i>Program: liberal arts/college-prep</i></p>	<p><b>Parkway Northwest High School for Peace and Social Justice</b>  1100 E. Mt. Pleasant Ave.  Philadelphia, PA 19150  Phone: (215) 248-6220  <a href="http://www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/parkwaynw">www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/parkwaynw</a>  <i>Program: Peace Academy</i></p>	<p><b>Parkway West High School</b>  4725 Fairmount Avenue  Philadelphia, PA 19139  Phone: (215) 481-5510  <a href="http://www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/parkwaywest">www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/parkwaywest</a>  <i>Programs: business technology and Urban Education Academy</i></p>
<p><b>Philadelphia High School for Girls</b>  1400 West Olney Avenue  Philadelphia, PA 19141  Phone: (215) 276-5258  <a href="http://www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/girlshigh">www.phila.k12.pa.us/schools/girlshigh</a>  <i>Programs: college-prep program including courses at the advanced, honors, and AP levels, International Baccalaureate, Humanities, Performing Arts, and Student Leadership</i></p>		

## Private Schools that Serve Students with Special Needs

Archbishop Ryan Academy for the Deaf Philadelphia North Special Education

4251 L Street, Philadelphia, 19124 |

**Principal:** Sr. M. Margaret Fleming, IHM

**Phone:** 215-289-4220 | **Fax:** 215-289-4229 | **Email:** [APLucy01@nni.com](mailto:APLucy01@nni.com)

Our Lady of Confidence Day School (Main Site) Montgomery County Special Education

314 N. Easton Rd., Willow Grove, 19090 |

**Principal:** Sr. Judith Moeller, IHM

**Phone:** 215-657-9311 | **Fax:** 215-657-9312 | **Email:** [sjmoellerolc@yahoo.com](mailto:sjmoellerolc@yahoo.com)

Our Lady of Confidence High School Site Montgomery County Special Education

125 Royal Ave., Wyncote, 19095 |

**Principal:** Sr. Judith Moeller, IHM

**Phone:** 215-887-5575 | **Fax:** 215-887-1371 | **Email:** [sjmoellerolc@yahoo.com](mailto:sjmoellerolc@yahoo.com)

Saint Lucy Day School for Children with Visual Impairments Philadelphia North Special Education

4251 L Street, Philadelphia, 19124 |

**Principal:** Sr. Margaret Fleming, IHM

**Phone:** 215-289-4220 | **Fax:** 215-289-4229 | **Email:** [APLucy01@nni.com](mailto:APLucy01@nni.com)

St. Katherine Day School Main Site Montgomery County Special Education

930 Bowman Ave., Wynnewood, 19096 |

**Principal:** Ms. Margaret Devaney

**Phone:** 610-667-3958 | **Fax:** 610-667-3625 | **Email:** [skdsprincipal@yahoo.com](mailto:skdsprincipal@yahoo.com)

St. Katherine Day School Upper School at Carroll Delaware County Special Education

211 Matson Ford Road, Radnor, 19087 |

**Principal:** Ms. Margaret Devaney

**Phone:** 610-687-6048 | **Fax:** 610-687-6288 | **Email:** [APKATH01@nni.com](mailto:APKATH01@nni.com)

Hill Top Preparatory School

737 S. Ithan Ave

Rosemont, PA 19010

**Phone:** (610)527-3230 **Fax:** (610) 527-7683

***Please see this link for a more comprehensive list of Schools that serve students with special needs:***

[http://www.privateschoolreview.com/state\\_special\\_education\\_school/type/4/stateid/PA](http://www.privateschoolreview.com/state_special_education_school/type/4/stateid/PA)

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**RECOMMENDATION:**  
*Make a list of your top ten school choices that you want to look into more on this page.*  
  
*Use the next page to write down all the information that you'll need to successfully complete their application process.*

See page three of this manual for questions to keep in mind when looking at schools.

## ADMISSIONS AND FINANCIAL AID

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## RESOURCES FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

	<p>Each year, The School District of Philadelphia updates their compiled High School Directory which is full of information on Neighborhood, Citywide Admission, Special Admission and Promise Academy High Schools.  <a href="http://webgui.phila.k12.pa.us/uploads/AT/e6/ATe6XcMIW3C-Uf0tP3RV2A/HS_Directory_2014.pdf">http://webgui.phila.k12.pa.us/uploads/AT/e6/ATe6XcMIW3C-Uf0tP3RV2A/HS_Directory_2014.pdf</a></p>
	<p><u>Mighty Writers</u> is a free afterschool and evening writer's workshop for Philadelphia children ages 7-17. The free workshops are often conducted by authors and veteran writers and encourage students to learn to express themselves in creative ways. Some workshops include Girl Power Poetry and Front Stoop Stories: Neighborhood Storytelling.  <a href="http://www.mightywriters.org/">http://www.mightywriters.org/</a></p>
	<p><u>The Cadence Cycling Foundation</u> welcomes all kids, ages 9-18 to discover the possibilities that the sport of cycling has to offer. The foundation's aim is to teach children valuable life skills, such as goal setting, discipline, teamwork, commitment, etc., through cycling.  <a href="http://bicyclecoalition.org/">http://bicyclecoalition.org/</a></p>
	<p><u>Steppingstone Scholars</u> is a program that helps prepare urban students for admission to elite private, independent, college-preparatory schools. The program supports students through admissions and then during the school year by providing mentoring, tutoring, summer programs, and college admissions assistance.  <a href="http://steppingstonescholars.org/">http://steppingstonescholars.org/</a></p>
	<p><u>Outward Bound Philadelphia</u> provides summer outdoor leadership programs for middle and high schoolers that strengthen and empower students to experience the world outside of what they already know. Merit-based scholarships make these programs available to low-income students.  <a href="http://outwardboundphiladelphia.org/">http://outwardboundphiladelphia.org/</a></p>
	<p><u>The City Heros Program</u> run by City Year is a weekend leadership development, social awareness, and community service program for high school-aged youth. City Heroes learn to lead their peers and other community members to tackle real community issues through service, action groups, and other community-based initiatives.  <a href="http://www.cityyear.org/">http://www.cityyear.org/</a></p>
	<p><u>Summer Search</u> is a program for high school students that builds a circle of support customized for every student and anchored by professional mentoring. In their sophomore &amp; junior year students go on summer excursions with the program that is meant to expand their world view and in their Senior year students are given college &amp; financial advising. The support follows them through college along with career exploration.  <a href="https://www.summersearch.org/">https://www.summersearch.org/</a></p>