

Philadelphia's District and charter high schools: How are they doing?

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School name <i>Grades are 9-12 unless otherwise noted</i>	Total enrollment	Percentage of low-income students	Percentage of special education students	Percentage of English learners	Average student daily attendance	% of students with an out-of-school suspension	Average score SAT Reading	Average score SAT Math	4-year graduation rate: Class of 2016	College-going rate: Class of 2016	CTE: NOCTI pass rate (with number of test-takers)
Special admission high schools											
Academy at Palumbo	903	60%	4%	4%	95%	1%	454	474	98%	75%	-
Arts Academy at Rush	607	37%	10%	1%	94%	2%	478	482	97%	78%	-
Bodine HS for International Affairs	512	64%	3%	5%	94%	4%	458	477	90%	78%	-
Carver HS of Engineering & Science (grades 7-12)	902	47%	2%	2%	95%	4%	463	491	96%	82%	14% (14)
Central	2,316	43%	1%	1%	96%	0%	544	586	100%	90%	-
Franklin Learning Center	873	63%	6%	18%	90%	4%	434	423	88%	66%	100% (19)
Girard Academic Music Program (GAMP) (5-12)	572	34%	5%	<1%	95%	0%	489	489	100%	88%	-
Hill-Freedman World Academy (6-12)	660	59%	22%	1%	95%	4%	NA	NA	NA	NA	-
Lankenau Environmental Science Magnet	352	56%	9%	1%	90%	1%	377	381	99%	59%	-
Masterman (5-12)	1,191	23%	2%	<1%	98%	0%	655	678	100%	86%	-
Motivation	387	71%	10%	7%	89%	7%	396	395	92%	64%	-
Parkway Center City Middle College	559	65%	5%	2%	92%	0%	409	421	95%	74%	-
Parkway Northwest - Peace & Social Justice	248	61%	9%	2%	89%	12%	389	393	94%	64%	-
Parkway West	258	71%	12%	2%	89%	17%	394	387	93%	56%	-
Phila HS for Creative & Performing Arts (CAPA)	711	44%	8%	1%	94%	2%	490	446	97%	75%	92% (12)
Phila HS for Girls	1,033	61%	2%	1%	92%	0%	437	440	93%	75%	-
Saul HS for Agricultural Sciences	554	56%	11%	2%	92%	7%	398	397	100%	51%	71% (114)
Science Leadership Academy	492	34%	12%	4%	95%	1%	544	531	98%	88%	100% (23)
Science Leadership Academy - Beeber Campus	476	50%	7%	5%	94%	2%	NA	NA	NA	NA	-
Citywide admission high schools											
Building 21	354	82%	20%	8%	86%	16%	NA	NA	NA	NA	-
Constitution	372	65%	12%	5%	90%	10%	412	390	98%	73%	-
Dobbins Career & Technical Education	606	84%	14%	2%	86%	33%	346	347	83%	33%	73% (84)
High School of the Future	477	74%	24%	2%	89%	18%	375	365	83%	49%	-
Mastbaum Area Vocational Technical	754	83%	18%	11%	86%	23%	353	360	82%	31%	86% (107)
Philadelphia Military Academy	247	74%	10%	4%	93%	4%	373	375	100%	34%	-
Randolph Career Academy	518	73%	21%	2%	88%	27%	331	333	90%	21%	73% (93)
Robeson HS for Human Services	297	77%	16%	6%	91%	3%	364	350	95%	52%	50% (14)
Swenson Arts & Technology	668	57%	22%	6%	92%	7%	377	393	96%	30%	68% (125)
The LINC	247	84%	19%	18%	91%	25%	NA	NA	NA	NA	-
The U School	240	80%	28%	4%	82%	3%	NA	NA	NA	NA	-
The Workshop School	231	73%	17%	5%	89%	14%	!	!	!	!	44% (9)
Neighborhood high schools											
Bartram	598	79%	29%	8%	75%	37%	328	327	54%	21%	62% (13)
Edison/Fareira Skills Center	1,053	83%	33%	29%	75%	26%	337	343	58%	19%	84% (102)
Fels	995	73%	25%	15%	82%	14%	358	347	67%	34%	100% (8)
Frankford	1,094	79%	30%	16%	79%	22%	347	356	57%	23%	90% (10)
Franklin	546	82%	32%	7%	78%	14%	334	356	52%	29%	100% (6)
Furness	690	72%	13%	53%	83%	19%	331	363	67%	41%	0% (10)
Kensington Creative & Performing Arts (KCAPA)	506	80%	24%	14%	80%	6%	349	348	74%	28%	63% (8)
Kensington Health Sciences Academy	468	89%	25%	21%	79%	30%	357	349	73%	34%	59% (27)
Kensington *	631	65%	30%	20%	73%	18%	362	350	66%	13%	44% (16)
King - Promise Academy	810	76%	32%	1%	76%	26%	366	342	52%	26%	56% (16)
Lincoln	1,546	69%	22%	15%	81%	22%	374	389	66%	35%	45% (60)
Northeast	3,391	62%	11%	20%	87%	15%	415	455	77%	58%	58% (65)
Overbrook	572	77%	26%	1%	76%	39%	362	359	48%	24%	0% (2)
Penn Treaty (6-12)	562	87%	32%	8%	80%	19%	389	414	68%	23%	-
Roxborough	625	70%	32%	2%	87%	26%	379	356	76%	50%	25% (56)
Sayre	488	82%	32%	<1%	75%	13%	332	331	53%	19%	-
South Philadelphia	613	75%	35%	21%	79%	20%	341	370	50%	26%	74% (42)
Strawberry Mansion	312	85%	33%	<1%	76%	51%	327	328	36%	16%	100% (2)
Washington	1,345	56%	20%	16%	86%	20%	406	417	68%	57%	60% (40)
West Philadelphia	480	82%	34%	1%	80%	21%	357	361	53%	41%	19% (16)

KEY TO DATA FOR DISTRICT SCHOOLS
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*Kensington performance data represent combined data from 2 predecessor schools that merged.

Enrollment and demographic data are for 2016-17. Source: School Profiles, School District of Philadelphia website. Data on percentage of low-income students are from District's School-by-School Budget Book.
Attendance data are for 2015-16. **SAT scores** are for class of 2016. Source: Pa. Department of Education. **NA** indicates no data available.

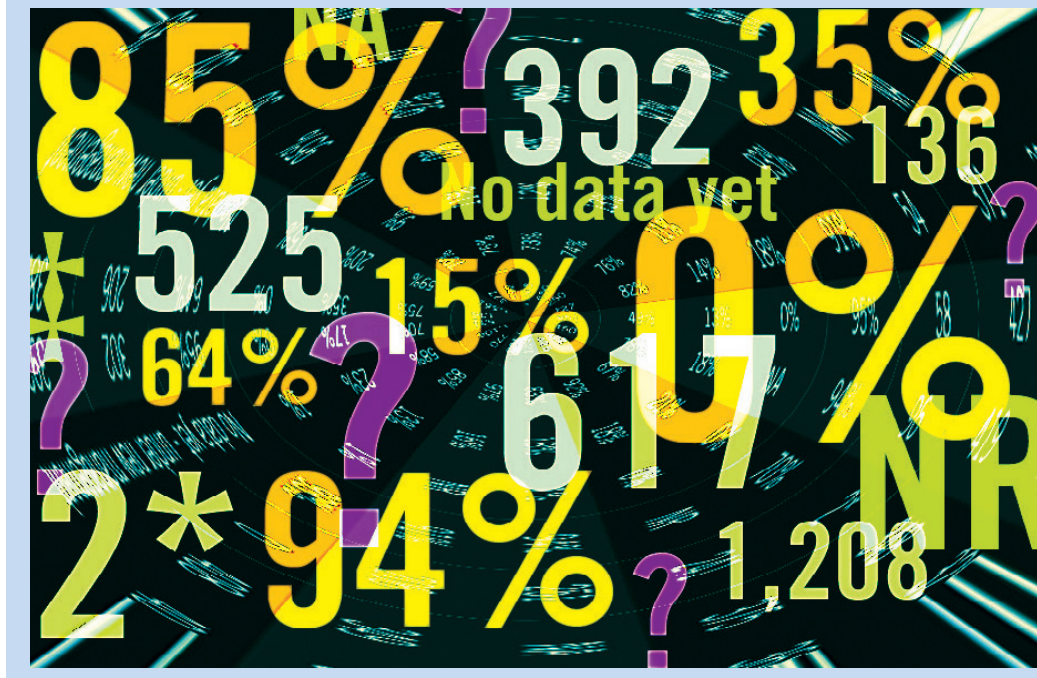
Suspension, graduation, and college-going rates are for 2015-16. Source: School Progress Reports, School District of Philadelphia.
Graduation rates: Number of 4-year graduates compared to size of original cohort in 9th grade, adjusted for transfers in and out. Students are attributed to last school attended. **NA** indicates no graduating class.

College-going rates: Percentage of 2016 high school graduates entering college in fall 2016. **NA** indicates no graduating class.
NOCTI pass rates: Percentage of students passing CTE competency exams, and total number of students taking a NOCTI exam, 2016-17. Not all schools offer CTE programs. Source: School District of Philadelphia.

Where to get more info online

<p>School profiles from the School District bit.ly/school-dashboard</p> <p>For each school, a treasure trove of data: demographics, test scores, facilities info, and more.</p>	<p>Charter Schools Office, School District bit.ly/charter-school-directory</p> <p>Links to reports on charters: School Progress Reports, profiles, annual evaluations, and non-renewal information.</p>	<p>GreatPhillySchools from Philadelphia School Partnership greatphillyschools.org</p> <p>Searchable site with school rating system based on test scores, serious incidents, attendance, etc.</p>	<p>School Performance Profile from Pa. Department of Education PaSchoolPerformance.org</p> <p>Fast facts and academic performance data for each school in the state. Allows comparisons of schools.</p>
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Making sense of the numbers



The school profiles starting on page 16 of this guide provide a lot of detail about the city's 86 brick-and-mortar public high schools and their programs. In this spread, we provide statistics about their students and how they are performing. That is important information as you think about where to attend high school.

On the facing page you'll find data about all the District-run high schools. This page shows charters. Descriptions of the three types of District high schools are on page 16.

The first four columns of numbers on each page tell you about each school's student body. What's the enrollment and do they serve large percentages of low-income and special education students and English learners?

Student attendance is often a good indicator of how engaged students are. A school with 90% attendance has

twice as many students absent daily as one with 95% attendance. A potential warning sign about school climate is the percentage of students with at least one out-of-school suspension.

Average SAT scores indicate how well the school prepares students for that test for college admission. Be aware that average scores can be misleading if few lower-performing students take the test. Nationally, the average reading or math SAT score is about 500. SAT results are highly correlated with poverty rates.

Two very important measures are on-time high school graduation rates and college-going rates for each school's graduates. There are big variations among schools on these indicators.

And for District schools with CTE programs, look at how students did on their NOCTI competency tests.

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Charter schools serving high school grades										
ASPIRA Olney †	1,787	52%	25%	20%	84%	11%	350	355	65%	28%
Boys' Latin of Philadelphia (grades 6-12)	810	47%	10%	0%	95%	5%	414	410	80%	75%
Charter High School For Architecture + Design	536	42%	19%	1%	91%	23%	375	368	90%	52%
Community Academy of Philadelphia (K-12)	1,221	53%	19%	5%	93%	4%	404	390	87%	51%
Eastern University Academy (7-12)	349	64%	22%	0%	88%	30%	383	385	79%	65%
Esperanza Academy (6-12)	1,430	50%	17%	20%	91%	12%	355	373	90%	42%
First Philadelphia Preparatory (K-12)	1,856	59%	18%	4%	93%	23%	NA	NA	NA	NA
Franklin Towne HS	1,193	35%	12%	0%	95%	1%	439	461	95%	72%
Freire (5-12)	1,014	48%	20%	1%	95%	21%	389	432	68%	81%
Imhotep Institute	583	58%	16%	0%	91%	13%	353	345	75%	62%
KIPP DuBois Collegiate Academy	522	59%	23%	0%	NA	24%	396	425	81%	66%
Mariana Bracetti Academy (K-12)	1,207	81%	16%	10%	91%	10%	373	396	86%	48%
Maritime Academy (2-12)	817	53%	13%	2%	95%	0%	428	450	87%	48%
MaST Community (K-12)	1,335	21%	14%	1%	96%	1%	501	511	99%	72%
Mastery - Hardy Williams (K-12)	1,181	59%	17%	2%	94%	33%	357	323	76%	61%
Mastery - Simon Gratz † (7-12)	1,478	67%	33%	1%	86%	33%	!	!	61%	36%
Mastery - Lenfest Campus (7-12)	586	56%	28%	4%	92%	20%	!	!	79%	78%
Mastery - Pickett Campus (6-12)	895	63%	23%	<1%	90%	26%	!	!	81%	59%
Mastery - Shoemaker Campus (7-12)	788	62%	24%	1%	94%	17%	411	401	91%	76%
Mastery - Thomas Campus (K-12)	1,329	58%	17%	8%	94%	14%	443	439	86%	70%
Mathematics, Civics & Sciences (1-12)	1,002	56%	5%	0%	93%	5%	384	358	90%	66%
Multi-Cultural Academy	270	56%	14%	1%	95%	NA	410	405	98%	80%
New Foundations (K-12)	1,480	25%	10%	1%	96%	11%	458	446	92%	69%
People for People (K-11)	539	72%	20%	0%	93%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Philadelphia Academy (K-12)	1,121	21%	20%	0%	95%	6%	470	465	89%	65%
Philadelphia Electrical & Technology	616	63%	18%	1%	90%	25%	362	368	92%	43%
Phila Performing Arts: A String Theory School (K-12)	2,555	23%	13%	1%	95%	2%	NA	NA	NA	NA
Preparatory Charter - Math, Science, Tech, & Careers	578	48%	9%	2%	92%	26%	438	452	93%	72%
Sankofa Freedom Academy (K-12)	654	76%	15%	3%	94%	3%	362	348	87%	59%
Tacony Academy (K-12)	1,080	50%	17%	1%	93%	19%	388	391	79%	45%
Universal Audenried †	612	83%	27%	2%	99%	27%	361	338	76%	33%
YouthBuild Philadelphia (12)	262	NA	24%	NA	NA	NA	!	!	NA	NA

TECH Freire Charter School is not listed: Most data not available because the school opened in September 2016. Belmont Charter is not listed because the school opened in September 2017.

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