



WEST CHESTER HENDERSON HIGH SCHOOL

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COMMUNITY PROFILE- The West Chester Area School District covers a 75-square-mile suburban area in central Chester County, Pennsylvania, approximately 25 miles southwest of Philadelphia and 12 miles north of Wilmington, Delaware. The district is comprised of the West Chester Borough and seven surrounding townships. The area is known for its many diverse businesses and beautiful historic countryside. The student population of approximately 12,050 is served by three high schools, three middle schools, and ten elementary schools.

ACCREDITATION AND RECOGNITION- A four-year comprehensive high school, B. Reed Henderson is approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Education. Henderson received the Governor’s Award for Excellence in Academics from the U. S. Department of Education, and the Pennsylvania Keystone Achievement Award for its commitment to academic success. Over the last several years, *U.S. News and World Report*, *Niche.com*, and *Schooldigger.com* have recognized B. Reed Henderson High School as one of the top secondary schools in the state of Pennsylvania.

ENROLLMENT- Total enrollment at Henderson High School for the 2022-23 school year is close to 1,436 students with a professional staff of 118. Enrollment for the class of 2023 is approximately 345 students.

CURRICULUM- Reflecting the district’s commitment to meeting the needs of all students, the core courses of language arts, math, science and social studies are aligned to the Pennsylvania Standards. Advanced Placement (AP™) courses are offered in all of the core disciplines. Connected by wireless technology, interactive white boards, laptops, and iPads are integrated throughout the curriculum to create a dynamic learning environment. World language courses include French, German, Italian, Latin and Spanish from basic through advanced levels. A wide variety of elective courses are offered in business, marketing, music, art, family and consumer sciences, and technology education.

EDUCATIONAL OPTIONS

In order to provide educational programs that fulfill the unique needs of seniors, students who meet certain criteria are eligible to participate in the following educational options.

- Dual Enrollment Program: Seniors may earn high school and college credits by enrolling in courses at local colleges and universities.
- Blended Learning: This is a dynamic learning format that allows students to experience courses where they interact with the curriculum partially at school and partially through the online delivery- of content and instruction.
- Career Exploration Program: Seniors may explore future career choices by participating in an internship, externship, or job shadowing.
- Cyber Program: Beginning in the 2020-21 school year, our top-ranked education program will be available online for students in grades K through 12, providing a high quality, personalized, flexible education that fits the needs our students and families.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS A total of 23.8 credits and a completed graduation project are required for graduation.

English	4 credits
Social studies	4 credits
Mathematics	3 credits
Science	3 credits
Arts/Humanities	2 credits
Electives	5 credits
Health/Physical Ed.	2.8 credits

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

The West Chester Area School District earned Advanced Placement (AP™) Honor Roll status from CollegeBoard. Advanced Placement courses prepare students for AP tests, which may qualify them for college credit and/or exempt them from freshman-level college courses. Available courses are:

- American History
- Art History
- Biology
- Calculus (AB) & Calculus (BC)
- Capstone Research & Capstone Seminar
- Chemistry
- Computer Science A
- Computer Science Principles
- Economics
- English Language and Composition
- English Literature and Composition
- European History
- Human Geography
- French/German/Italian/Latin/Spanish
- Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism/Mechanics
- Physics 1: Algebra Based
- Psychology
- Statistics
- Studio Art
- United States Government and Politics

STUDENT ASSESSMENTS- The district administers the following assessment to aid teachers and counselors in diagnosing individual strengths and weaknesses in order to provide more effective instruction: PSAT - administered to all tenth and eleventh graders in October.

MEAN TEST SCORES – CLASS OF 2022		NATIONAL MERIT RECOGNITION			
SAT I Math	579	<u>Class</u>	<u>Finalists</u>	<u>Semifinalists</u>	<u>Commended</u>
SAT I ERW	595	2020	4	0	8
ACT (core)	25.3	2021	3	0	7
		2022	3	0	7
		2023	TBA	3	10
FUTURE PLANS - CLASS OF 2022		AP SCHOLARS - 2022			
4-year college	80%	AP Capstone Diploma			2
2-year college	8.9%	AP Scholars w/Distinction			46
Technical school	3%	AP Scholars w/Honors			22
Armed Forces	.3%	AP Scholars			56
Employment/Other	7.8%				

CLASS RANK AND GRADING SCALE is computed as recommended by the National Association of Secondary School Principals. Students have the option to include or not include elective courses at the academic level into the GPA. Grades are weighted in honors, accelerated honors, and AP courses. *** Class rank will not be recorded on a student's transcript for the class of 2021 and beyond.** Any institution may request in writing from the School Counseling Department the class rank of any student if class rank is required for admission to that school or needed for any scholarship program. Students may elect to waive the quality points from certain non-academic elective courses in the calculation of their grade point averages.

Grade	Career & College Prep	Honors	AP & Accel. Honors
A+ = 97-100	4.3	4.73	5.16
A = 93-96	4.0	4.4	4.8
A- = 90-92	3.7	4.07	4.44
B+ = 87-89	3.3	3.63	3.96
B = 83-86	3.0	3.3	3.6
B- = 80-82	2.7	2.97	3.24
C+ = 77-79	2.3	2.53	2.76
C = 73-76	2.0	2.2	2.4
C- = 70-72	1.7	1.87	2.04
F = below 70	0	0	0

2022 AWARDS AND RANKINGS	GPA DISTRIBUTION OF THE CLASS OF 2023 (346 STUDENTS)	
U.S. News and World Report (#65, #1831)		
Niche #37...A rating	≥4.6	39
6 Chestmont League Championships	4.25-4.5	65
1 PIAA Championship swimming	4.0-4.24	38
3 All-State Choir Students	3.5-3.9	79
1 ACDA Choral Student in All-Eastern	3.0-3.4	51
WCASD Senior Strings chosen to perform at PMEA All-State	2.5-2.9	41
	2.0-2.4	20
	<2.0	9

Due to the global impact of COVID-19, during the 2019-2020 school year Henderson High School provided virtual learning for students from March 2020 through the end of the school year. Standard grading policies remained in effect for the 3rd marking period. Students earned a satisfactory or unsatisfactory grade during the 4th marking period OR students were able to opt to have their 4th marking period grades calculated into their final averages. During the 2020-2021 school year, Henderson High School provided virtual learning for all student through the 1st marking period. A hybrid (in person and virtual) model was adapted beginning in the 2nd marking period through the 3rd marking period. Students were 100% in person during the 4th marking period. Families were provided a choice between in person learning or virtual learning. The minimum grade issued to students was adjusted to; 1st marking period: 65, 2nd marking period: 60; 3rd marking period: 60, 4th marking period: 60 to support students' needs during the pandemic. Standard grading policies will be followed during the 2022-2023 school year, as noted in this document.

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2019-2022 COLLEGE ADMISSION OFFERS (2 OR MORE STUDENTS)

Albright College
Allegheny College
Alvernia University
American University
Arcadia University
Arizona State University
Auburn University
Automotive Training Center
Bard College
Becker College
Belmont University
Binghamton University
Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania
Boston College
Boston University
Brandeis University
Brown University
Bucknell University
Cabrini University
California Polytechnic State University
California University of Pennsylvania
Carnegie Mellon University
Case Western Reserve University
Chestnut Hill College
Cheyney University of Pennsylvania
Christopher Newport University
Clarion University of Pennsylvania
Clemson University
Coastal Carolina University
College of Charleston
College of William and Mary
Colorado Mountain College (11 Locations)
Colorado School of Mines
Colorado State University
Columbia University
Delaware County Community College
Delaware Valley University
DeSales University
Dickinson College
Drew University
Drexel University
Duquesne University
East Carolina University
East Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania
Eastern University
Eckerd College
Edinboro University of Pennsylvania
Elizabethtown College
Elon University
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
Emerson College
Emory University
Fairfield University
Fairleigh Dickinson University
Fashion Institute of Technology
Flagler College
Florida Atlantic University
Florida Gulf Coast University
Florida State University
Fordham University
Franklin & Marshall College
Gannon University
Geneva College
George Mason University
Georgetown University
Georgia Institute of Technology
School of the Art Institute of Chicago
Seton Hall University
Seton Hill University
Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania
Siena College
Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania
St. John's University - Queens Campus
Stanford University
Stevens Institute of Technology
Stevenson University
Stony Brook University
SUNY College at Geneseo
SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry
Susquehanna University
Syracuse University
Temple University
Texas A&M University
The Catholic University of America
The George Washington University
The Ohio State University

The Peabody Institute of The Johns Hopkins University
The Restaurant School at Walnut Hill College
The University of Akron
The University of Alabama
The University of Arizona
The University of Georgia
The University of Iowa
The University of Scranton
The University of Tampa
The University of the Arts
Towson University
Tufts University
Tulane University
Union College (New York)
United States Air Force Academy
United States Coast Guard Academy
United States Naval Academy
University of California, Berkeley
University of California, Davis
University of California, Los Angeles
University of California, San Diego
University of Central Florida
University of Cincinnati
University of Colorado at Boulder
University of Connecticut
University of Dayton
University of Delaware
University of Denver
University of Florida
University of Hartford
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
University of Kentucky
University of Louisville
University of Maine
University of Maryland, Baltimore County
University of Maryland, College Park
University of Massachusetts, Amherst
University of Massachusetts, Boston
University of Miami
University of Michigan
University of Mississippi
University of New Hampshire at Durham
University of New Haven
University of North Carolina at Charlotte
University of North Carolina at Wilmington
University of Notre Dame
University of Pennsylvania
University of Phoenix
University of Pittsburgh
University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown
University of Rhode Island
University of Richmond
University of Rochester
University of South Carolina
University of South Florida, Tampa
University of Southern California
University of Tennessee, Knoxville
University of the Sciences in Philadelphia
University of Toronto Undergraduate Only
University of Vermont
University of Virginia
University of Washington
University of West Florida
University of Wisconsin, Madison
Ursinus College
Villanova University
Virginia Commonwealth University
Virginia Tech
Wagner College
Wake Forest University
Washington and Jefferson College
Washington College
Washington University in St. Louis
Wesley College
West Chester University of Pennsylvania
West Virginia University
Westminster College
Widener University
Wilkes University
Willamette University
Wilmington University
Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Xavier University
York College of Pennsylvania

5% OF CLASS OF 2022 WILL EXCEED GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

NEWSWEEK'S "BEST HIGH SCHOOLS" TOP 6% IN NATION

NCAA SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD WINNER