

Sun Valley High School

Penn-Delco School District

Academic Profile 2023-2024

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COMMUNITY

The Penn-Delco School District is located in Southeastern Pennsylvania approximately 15 miles southwest of Philadelphia. The district encompasses Aston Township and Parkside and Brookhaven Boroughs in Delaware County. The district's population is roughly 26,000. There are nearly 3,400 students enrolled in grades K-12. Education in the district is provided through one high school, one middle school and four elementary schools.

CLASS RANK & GRADING SCALE

Class rank is calculated on a weighted formula based on the rigor of the coursework. Each student is ranked by deciles according to their weighted GPA. Grade Point Average is officially calculated at the end of an academic year after credits have been earned.

CURRENT WEIGHTED GRADING SCALE

SCHOOL		AP	Honors	X/A
Sun Valley High School, home of the Vanguard, is proud to educate approximately 1050 students in grades 9-12. The high school offers many academic, technical, business, music and arts programs as well as a full array of extra-curricular activities. There are over 80 full time faculty with 260 graduates in the Class of 2023.	Grade A+ 97.5-100	5	4.5	4
	Grade A 92.5-97.49	5	4.5	4
	Grade A- 89.5-92.49	4.7	4.2	3.7
	Grade B+ 87.5-89.49	4.3	3.8	3.3
	Grade B 82.5-87.49	4	3.5	3
	Grade B- 79.5-82.49	3.7	3.2	2.7
	Grade C+ 77.5-79.49	3.3	2.8	2.3
	Grade C 72.5-77.49	3	2.5	2
	Grade C- 69.5-72.49	2.7	2.2	1.7
	Grade D+ 67.5-69.49	2.3	1.8	1.3
CURRICULUM	Grade D 62.5-67.49	2	1.5	1
	Grade D- 59.5-62.49	1.7	1.2	.7
	Grade E/F 0-59.49	0	0	0

CURRICULUM

Reflecting the district's commitment to meeting the needs of every student, the core courses of language arts, math, science and social studies are aligned with the Pennsylvania standards. Advanced Placement (AP™) courses are offered in all core curriculum areas. Technology includes 1:1 laptops for every student, interactive smart boards and campus WiFi. A wide variety of courses are offered in business, art, music, technology, trades, family and consumer sciences and world languages. Sun Valley also offers Dual Enrollment Programs that provides eligible high school students the opportunity to earn college credits while they are still in high school. Offerings include on-site, asynchronous and college campus opportunities.

COVID-19 IMPACT

The 2020/2021 school year began with virtual education and transitioned to a hybrid model in October 2020.

CYBER LEARNING

The district offers online education for students through a traditional distance learning environment where students are eligible for all clubs, athletics and extracurricular activities. Courses designated on the transcript as PDO are cyber courses completed through Penn-Delco On-line or APEX course curriculum.

A minimum of 23 credits are required for graduation with the majority of graduates completing more credits and higher levels of math and science. Minimum credits are as follows:

English	4	Mathematics	4
Social Studies	3	Science	3
Health, PE / Careers / Electives / Arts & Humanities			9

The high school transcript does not list or give credit for mathematics or world language courses studied prior to ninth grade. The titles of courses listed on the transcript can imply successful completion of earlier studies.

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

Programs are available to students who are interested in traditional and non-traditional trade careers. These programs are for college bound and career bound students who show an aptitude for a particular area. Programs include: EPS, health sciences, cosmetology, carpentry, engineering, electrical, HVAC, plumbing, computer networking, sports science, biomedical sciences, collision, welding and culinary.

FUTURE PLANS-CLASS OF 2023

4 year college	56 %	Trade/ Technical School	7 %
2 year college	13 %	Employment/Other	22 %
Armed Forces	2 %		

ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES OFFERED

US History	Biology	Calculus AB	English Language & Composition	Studio Art
World History	Chemistry	Calculus BC	English Literature & Composition	MacroEconomics
US Government & Politics	Physics	Statistics	Environmental Science	Psychology

Class of 2023: 11 AP Scholars; 3 AP Scholars with Honors; 5 AP Scholars with Distinction

SAT TRENDS

ERW Math

2019	529	531
2020	540	529
2021	518	502
2022	524	505
2023	532	506

ACT TRENDS

Composite Scores

2019	21.4
2020	22.2
2021	23.2
2022	24.5
2023	25.2

AP TRENDS

tests with scores of 3, 4 or 5

2019	184
2020	171
2021	124
2022	168
2023	177

AP EQUITY & EXCELLENCE

2019	23.9%
2020	29.8%
2021	16.2%
2022	26.3%
2023	22.6%

CLASS OF 2023 ACCEPTANCES

Albright College	Drexel University	Lehigh University	Susquehanna University	University of Denver
Alvernia University	Duquesne University	Lock Haven University	Swarthmore University	University of Maryland
AMDIA College of Performing Arts	East Carolina University	Lycoming College	Syracuse University	University of Pittsburgh
Arcadia University	East Stroudsburg University	Massachusetts College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences	Temple University	University of Rhode Island
Belmont University	Eastern University	Messiah University	Thaddeus Stevens College of Technology	University of South Carolina
Bowie State University	Elizabethtown College	Millersville University	The Catholic University of America	University of the Arts
Cabrini University	Hampton University	Monmouth University	The College of New Jersey	University of Vermont
Cedar Crest College	Harcum College	Moore College of Art & Design	The George Washington University	Ursinus College
Clemson University	Hofstra University	Neumann University	The Ohio State University	Villanova University
Coastal Carolina University	Holy Family University	New York University	The University of Maine	Virginia Tech
Colorado State University	Howard University	Pennsylvania State University	The University of Scranton	Virginia Wesleyan University
Columbia College Chicago	Immaculata University	Quinnipiac University	The University of Tampa	West Chester University
Commonwealth University	Indiana University of PA	Rosemont College	Thomas Jefferson University	West Virginia University
Delaware College of Art & Design	James Madison University	Rowan University	Towson University	Widener University
Delaware County CC	King's College	Saint Joseph's University	United States Merchant Marine Academy	Wilkes University
Delaware Valley University	Kutztown University	School of the Art Institute of Technology	University of Central Florida	Williamson College of the Trades
Dickinson College	LaSalle University	Shippensburg University	University of Colorado	Xavier University of Louisiana
Drew University	Lebanon Valley University	Spelman University	University of Delaware	York College of Pennsylvania

COUNSELORS

Jillian Foster—Students with Last Names A-Def • Francine Im—Students with Last Names Deg-Hol •

Erin Judge—Students with Last Names Hom-Mel • Kathryn James—Students with Last Names Mem-Sa • Megan Snyder—Students with Last Names Sc-Z