

2017–2018



The Phelps School

[*Education. It's personal.*]

We all have personal strengths and personal differences. But at The Phelps School, we all strive to achieve our personal best.



The
**PHELPS
SCHOOL**

Overview

The Phelps School is a private, nonsectarian boarding and day school for boys in grades six through 12, as well as a postgraduate year. The School inhabits a beautiful 70-acre wooded campus in Pennsylvania's historic Chester County, 25 miles outside of downtown Philadelphia. With approximately 110 students and an average class size of seven, The Phelps School offers the ideal setting for boys who thrive in a small, nurturing and structured environment. Our highly customized educational experience empowers each student to reach his full potential academically, personally and socially. Because at The Phelps School, we believe that education is about more than academics. It's personal.





WEEKLY SCHEDULE

7:00 am	Rising Bell
7:30 am	Breakfast
8:15 – 10:00 am	Classes
10:00 – 10:15 am	Morning Break
10:15 am – 12:00 pm	Classes
12:10 – 12:45 pm	Lunch
12:50 – 2:35 pm	Classes
2:40 – 3:30 pm	Tutorial Period
3:45 – 5:00 pm	Activity Period
5:00 – 6:25 pm	Independent Time
6:30 – 7:00 pm	Dinner
7:00 – 8:00 pm	Independent Time
8:15 – 10:00 pm	Study Hall
10:30 pm	Lights Out

Advisee meetings held on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

EXTRA CURRICULAR OFFERINGS

Fall

Varsity Soccer, J.V. Soccer, Cross Country, Golf, Tennis, Photography, Yearbook, Robotics, Studio Art, Fitness/Weight Training, Music, Gardening and Indoor Sports

Winter

Varsity Basketball, J.V. Basketball, Wrestling, Fitness/Weight Training, Music/Drama, Bowling, Yearbook, Robotics, Studio Art, Film Appreciation and Indoor Sports

Spring

Lacrosse, Varsity Tennis, J.V. Tennis, Baseball, Golf, Studio Art, Fitness/Weight Training, Music, and Gardening

RECREATIONAL/WEEKEND ACTIVITIES

- Dances and events with The Purnell School & Linden Hall
- Weekend shopping trips to Exton & King of Prussia Malls and Philadelphia Premium Outlets
- Dinners off campus at area restaurants, and in Chinatown and Koreatown
- Ice skating, roller skating, go-kart racing, bowling, golfing and batting cages
- Concerts and theater in Philadelphia, Imax theater and movie trips
- Halloween attractions at Bates Motel & Haunted Hayrides and Pennhurst Haunted Asylum
- Trips to Philadelphia professional and college sports events; Phillies Baseball, Eagles Football, Flyers Hockey, 76ers Basketball, Wings Lacrosse, Union Soccer and local university events
- Philadelphia Auto Show
- Escape Room and Comic Con
- College fairs, tours and events at local colleges and universities such as; Cabrini, Haverford, Villanova, Drexel, Immaculata, West Chester and St. Joseph's
- Educational outings to the Philadelphia Museum of Art, the Franklin Institute of Science and the Constitution Center
- Historical trips to Gettysburg Battlefield, Valley Forge Historical Park, and Independence National Park
- Special interest trips to the Philadelphia Zoo, Camden & Baltimore Aquarium, and Longwood Gardens
- Camping, canoeing, rock climbing, hiking and zipline canopy tour
- Skiing and snowboarding in the Pocono Mountains
- Amusement park trips to Hershey Park, Dorney Park & Wildwater Kingdom and Six Flags Great Adventure
- A wide variety of community service activities and events

The Phelps School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the School. The School does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.



RECENT COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES (PARTIAL LIST)

American University
Arizona State University
Binghamton University
Boston University
Case Western Reserve University
College of Charleston
Drexel University
Duquesne University
Elizabethtown College
Franklin & Marshall College
Hobart & William Smith College
Hofstra University
Indiana University—Bloomington
Ithaca College
Johnson & Wales University
Marquette University
Michigan State University
Muhlenberg College
Northeastern University
Ohio State University
Oregon State University
PASSHE Schools
Pennsylvania State University
Purdue University
Quinnipiac University
Rochester Institute of Technology
Rutgers University
Skidmore College
St. Joseph's University
Syracuse University
Temple University
The College of New Jersey
University of Alabama
University of Arizona
University of Buckingham (UK)
University of California
University of Colorado
University of Connecticut
University of Illinois
University of Maryland
University of North Carolina
University of Pittsburgh
University of Washington
University of Wisconsin
Ursinus College
Virginia Commonwealth University
West Virginia University

COLLEGE COUNSELING

The journey to college should be one of excitement and enjoyment. Yes, the process can be complicated, but it is easily manageable, and we are here to offer assistance at any point along the way. Phelps boys routinely acquit themselves in extraordinary fashion every year with numerous acceptances at a wide range of institutions suited to their individual talents and needs. Your son is no exception. Together we will see to it that by the end of his time here with us, your son will look forward with a sense of pride and accomplishment to the continuation of growth and maturity at the next level. Our promise to you is that we will do everything in our power to assure a successful outcome. Your son's active participation and your positive support, coupled with realistic expectations, are critical components.

CURRICULUM OFFERINGS

Academic Support Program (ASP)

English
Reading/Writing
Mathematics
Study Skills
Science
History

English

English 7–10
American Literature
British Literature
AP English Literature
and Composition
AP English Language
and Composition

English as a Second Language (ESL)

ESL Level I–IV
ESL Reading
TOEFL Prep
ESL Science
ESL History

Language

Spanish I–III
AP Spanish Language
and Culture

Mathematics

General Math
Pre-Algebra
Algebra I & II
Geometry
Pre-Calculus
Statistics
AP Calculus AB
AP Calculus BC
AP Statistics

Science

Health
General Science
Life Science
Physical Science
Biology
Environmental Science
Chemistry
Earth Science
Physics
AP Biology
AP Environmental Science
AP Chemistry
AP Physics

Social Sciences

Geography
World History I & II
American History I & II
American Government
Sociology
Human Geography
AP Psychology
AP U.S. Government and
Politics
AP World History
AP U.S. History

Non-Core

Physical Education
Fitness
Culinary Arts
Ethics
Writing Seminar
Information Technology
SAT Prep
Personal Finance
Transitions to College
Public Speaking
Computer Programming

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE PROGRAM (ESL)

The English as a Second Language Program (ESL) is designed for non-native speakers of English who need to improve their English proficiency. The program develops reading, writing, listening, and speaking skills through a variety of instrumental methods designed to meet the learning needs of each student. There are four levels of ESL instruction: beginning, pre-intermediate, intermediate and advanced. Placement is determined by a test administered in the fall to incoming students and in the spring to returning students.

Beginning and pre-intermediate students concentrate on communicative competence, basic grammar, and writing skills. They also take sheltered history and science courses that offer vocabulary support and an American cultural component. Intermediate and advanced students focus on developing more sophisticated language skills in literary analysis, test-taking, speaking, and listening courses in preparation for success on the TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language). In all other subjects, students in the ESL program are mainstreamed into the regular curriculum.

The goal of the ESL program is to immerse non-native speakers in the English language and American culture to prepare them for academic and social success at The Phelps School and at an American college or University. Exemption from the ESL program is determined by the Phelps Academic Council and the student's TOEFL score.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

The Phelps School boasts a chapter of the National Honor Society. Students in grades 10 through 12 who meet the scholarship requirement (cumulative, unweighted grade point average of B+ or 3.25 on a 4.0 scale for grade 9 through their current grade) will be invited to apply for membership. Candidates are then eligible for consideration on the basis of service, leadership, and character. Completion and submission of the candidate form does not guarantee selection in the National Honor Society.

THE ACADEMIC SUPPORT PROGRAM (ASP)

The Academic Support Program (ASP) was established over 40 years ago at Phelps, making us a pioneer in the development of supplemental programs for boys who have learning differences. The Phelps School's leadership in helping boys to realize their full potential begins with our ability to recognize their individual needs. The operating premise of the ASP Program is to meet the student at his instructional level so growth may occur.

In order to assist the student in reaching his potential, small group instruction is provided in Reading, Writing, and Math. Wilson Training in reading can be provided to students who need instruction in decoding to improve reading fluency. Support in his regular curriculum and continual monitoring of his progress are essential components of ASP. The development of organizational and study skills is integrated within the total curriculum and provides a structured, repetitive base for learning.

In addition to academic support, the ASP staff believes that many other factors contribute to a young man's self-esteem and ultimate satisfaction with his life. Every opportunity is taken to encourage a student to affirm his individuality and to urge him to reach out to help others. The ASP staff is dedicated to finding an approach that replaces failure with success.

As students encounter academic growth and improvement in their personal goals, the staff and students celebrate their accomplishments.

STUDENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Our Student Information System (Sycamore) provides parents, students and faculty direct access to school related information through an online platform. Sycamore provides easy access to the entire academic process including; grades, homework assignments, report cards, teacher contact information, the school calendar, school news and events. Sycamore facilitates and encourages communication within the school which strengthens academic and disciplinary accountability. In order to stay up-to-date with the latest educational technology and enhance direct engagement between parent, student, and teacher, Phelps is pleased with the infusion of Sycamore into the curriculum.

AFFIRMATIONS OF POWER

I think	POSITIVELY
I serve.	OTHERS
I seek	WISDOM
I pursue	EXCELLENCE
I live.	RESPONSIBLY

Tuition and Fees

TUITION FOR 2017-2018

Boarding Tuition	\$49,800
Day Tuition	\$29,000

Some schools have many additional fees that can increase tuition significantly. Our tuition is comprehensive and includes the majority of expenses a student incurs. Our tuition includes instruction (with an average student/teacher ratio of 7:1), room and board (breakfast and dinner optional for day students), the technology and activity fees, college counseling, daily afternoon tutorial, evening proctored study hall (as needed), transportation as members of athletic teams and basic health center services.

TUITION DEPOSITS

Boarding	\$5,000
Day	\$3,000
International	\$10,000

The non-refundable tuition deposit is due upon the execution of the enrollment agreement and will be applied towards tuition.

INCIDENTAL ACCOUNT DEPOSITS

Day student incidental account deposit	\$1,000
Boarding student incidental account deposit	\$1,500
International student incidental account deposit	\$2,000

The incidental account deposit is applied to a student's personal fees and expenses such as books (estimated between \$500-\$700), supplies, trips, PSAT/SAT/TOEFL exams, score reports, college application fees, SAT/TOEFL prep courses, certain sports/activities, doctor visits, non-standard health center fees, medications and damages. When the initial deposit is depleted, additional payment will be required as shown in the monthly statements.

FINANCIAL AID & SCHOLARSHIPS

Over one million dollars granted to more than 40% of our students.

IMPORTANT CODES

SSAT – 5759
SSS(FACTS) — 3863
SAT – 392370

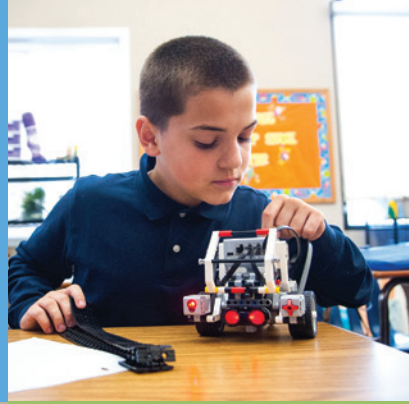
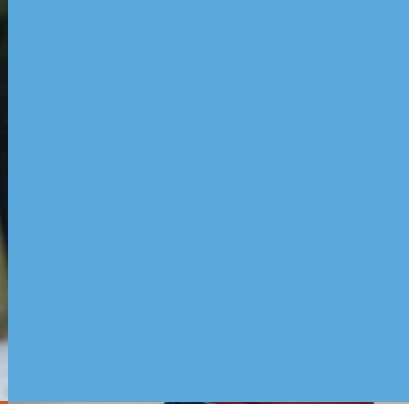
PAYMENT PLAN OPTIONS

The Phelps School offers three payment plan options. One payment due by August 1, two payments — 60% due by August 1 and 40% due by December 1, and monthly payments starting May 15 and ending February 15 (monthly payments are not available to students with F-1 Visa's). 60/40 payments and monthly payments require registration with FACTS. FACTS is a tuition management company utilizing automated payments from a bank account (ACH) or credit card.

TUITION REFUND PLAN ("TRP")

The enrollment contract is binding after execution. Parents can purchase the Tuition Refund Plan (TRP) to protect against an instance in which their son needs to withdraw from Phelps, and the family would face no refund of tuition. The plan provides for a pro-rated refund of unused tuition. The cost of tuition insurance is the equivalent of 6% of tuition.





SUPPLEMENTAL PROGRAMS AND OTHER FEES

English as a Second Language Orientation Program
\$3,750 (required for newly enrolled ESL Students)

English as a Second Language Program:

TIER ONE

\$9,000 per year (full year program, non-refundable)

TIER TWO

\$11,000 per year (full year program, non-refundable)

Academic Support Program:

TIER ONE

\$7,500 per year (full year program, non-refundable)

TIER TWO

\$11,500 per year (full year program, non-refundable)

International student health insurance & processing fee
\$2,500

Laundry service (optional)
\$750

Student Allowance account (optional)
Amount determined by the parent/guardian

STUDENT BODY: 110 students from 10 states and 16 countries

BOARDING AND DAY: 70% boarding and 30% day

STUDENT/TEACHER RATIO: 4:1

AVERAGE CLASS SIZE: 7

ACADEMIC SUPPORT PROGRAM (ASP)
AVERAGE CLASS SIZE: 4

ACADEMICS: 14 advanced placement courses offered and independent study opportunities.

ACCREDITATION: Est. 1946. Accredited by Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools since 1952.

LOCATION: 25 miles west of downtown Philadelphia on a 70 acre campus in historic Chester County.

Additional optional fees may also include field trips, advisee dinners, weekend trips, sporting events, plays, transportation for medical visits, transportation to and from airports, trains and buses, team athletic apparel, sports alternatives, special activities and school apparel.

Calendar

(Trimester Schedule)



September 5, 2017 through May 25, 2018*

ESL Orientation Program – Tuesday, August 29 through Monday, September 4

Faculty In-Service Week – Monday, August 28 through Friday, September 1

FALL TRIMESTER

Tuesday, September 5

Registration (9 a.m. - 2 p.m.)

Family Reception & Orientation (2:30 p.m.)

Wednesday, September 6

Student Orientation (8:30 a.m.) – Classes begin

Friday, October 6

Teacher Conferences (9 a.m. - 3 p.m.) – No Classes

Monday, October 9

No Classes – Boarders return by 8:00 p.m.

(Faculty In-Service)

November 14-16

1st Trimester Exams

Thursday, November 16

Thanksgiving Break begins (Students may depart after their last exam)

Friday, November 17

No Classes – Campus is closed to all students at 1 p.m.

WINTER TRIMESTER

Monday, November 27

No Classes – Dorms open at 1 p.m. Boarders return by 8:00 p.m. (Faculty In-Service)

Tuesday, November 28

Classes resume

Thursday, December 14

Winter Break begins at 3:30 p.m.

Friday, December 15

No Classes – Campus is closed to all students at 1 p.m.

Tuesday, January 2

No Classes – Dorms open at 1 p.m. Boarders return by 8 p.m. (Faculty In-Service)

Wednesday, January 3

Classes resume

Monday, January 15

MLK National Day of Service – All students attend

February 20-22

2nd Trimester Exams

Thursday, February 22

Spring Break begins (Students may depart after their last exam)

Friday, February 23

No Classes – Campus is closed to all students at 1 p.m.

SPRING TRIMESTER

Monday, March 12

No Classes – Dorms open at 1 p.m. Boarders return by 8 p.m. (Faculty In-Service)

Tuesday, March 13

Classes resume

Monday, April 16

No Classes – Boarders return by 8:00 p.m. (Faculty In-Service)

Tuesday, April 17

Classes resume

Thursday, May 17

Senior Family Appreciation Reception and Ceremony (4:30 p.m.)

Friday, May 18

Commencement (10:30 a.m.) – All students attend

May 21-23

3rd Trimester Exams

Wednesday, May 23

Summer Break begins (Students may depart after their last exams)

Thursday, May 24

No Classes – Campus is closed to all students at 1 p.m. (Faculty In-Service)

Friday, May 25

Faculty In-Service

NOTE: Classes will be held on President's Day (February 19, 2018)

*Calendar Subject to Change



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