

2023-2024 PROFILE

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Due to Covid-19, our school closed on March 13th, 2020 and remained virtual for the remainder of the school year. All extracurricular activities were suspended as well. Grading in the 4th marking period was Pass/Fail, however all students received traditional letter grades for their final year grades. For the 2020-2021 school year, we began virtually, moved to a hybrid option and finished the year with a 5-day in person option. Students were given the opportunity to learn virtually the entire school year as needed. In agreement with the Suburban One League, our athletic teams competed in only league games this past year. All clubs were virtual. Grades remained on a traditional letter grade scale. In response to the Covid-19 pandemic, the Pennsylvania Act 66 of 2021 permits students who were enrolled during the 2020-2021 school year to repeat their grade, even if the student has met the requirements to be promoted to the next grade level. This does not apply to students who have graduated with a diploma.

Community

Located in beautiful, historic Bucks County, approximately 25 miles north of Philadelphia and 15 miles west of Princeton, New Jersey, the Council Rock School District has an approximate population of 70,000. The district, primarily a suburban-residential community, is comprised of 72 square miles; serves the municipalities of Newtown Borough, Newtown Township, Northampton Township, Upper Makefield Township, and Wrightstown Township; and has a student population of over 10,000. The communities have a rich history and take pride in the school's tradition of academic, athletic and cultural achievements.

High Schools

There are two high schools within the Council Rock School District, each providing a comprehensive education for students in grades 9-12. Council Rock High School North, located in Newtown, has a student population of 1612. The majority of the faculty holds advanced degrees in their field. Council Rock High School North is certified by the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

Co-Curricular Program

Approximately eighty percent of the student body participates in a wide array of activities that support the academic program. Over seventy clubs are offered to our students. Interest dictates the formation of many clubs that range from Model United Nations, Future Business Leaders of America, and Environmental Action Club to North Outreach. Students are actively engaged in student government through class activities and official leadership positions. Student involvement is key to the success of Council Rock.

For the 2022-23 school year, 62 seniors were members of the National Honor Society and a total of 606 students participated in all Honor Societies.

The competitive athletic program encourages physical activity as well as the opportunity to experience leadership roles, cooperation, and team play. For the 2022-2023 school year, nearly 1,000 student athletes participated in 28 varsity and 28 junior varsity sports. Our award-winning music program enrolls over 220 students in the pursuit of both introductory and advanced levels of theory and performance.

Community service is an integral part of student learning. The majority of students participate in a voluntary program that encourages student involvement in activities that benefit the community. L.I.N.C.S. – Learning in Neighborhood Community Service – is a voluntary service program for our students. Clubs such as Interact and peer tutoring on both the secondary and elementary levels, provide opportunities to volunteer in a collaborative effort with peers. Council Rock North students logged over 17,000 service hours during the 2022-2023 school year.

Council Rock High School North Distinctions

- Ranked by U.S. News and World Report, the Niche, SchoolDigger as one of America's top schools
- Named as one of the "Top Schools" in the Philadelphia Metropolitan Area by Philadelphia Magazine and Philadelphia Business Journal
- Named one of America's "100 Best Communities for Young People" by America's Promise Alliance and one of the "Best Communities for Music Education" in the U.S. by National Assn. of Music Merchants
- Designated "No Place for Hate" school
- Over 5.5 million dollars in scholarship money accepted by the Class of 2023
- Prestigious student awards include U.S. Presidential Scholar and Candidates; President's Volunteer Service Award winner; NASSP NHS State Finalist; American Invitational Math Exam Participant; Congressional Art Competition Winners; AP Central website student essay publication; Society of Women Engineers and American Society of Microbiology award winners; PSEA Touch the Future Award; Scholastic Art and Writing Award; qualifier for Intel International Science Fair; Finalist in the National Catholic Forensic League and Semi-finalist in the National Speech and Debate Association
- Students consistently recognized for academic achievement in state and national mathematics and science competitions, with several students awarded significant college scholarships
- Students consistently recognized for academic achievement in state and national competitions in business, applied arts, fine arts, and world language, with National Award Winners on the National Spanish Exam a Platinum award winner in the National French Exam
- Student named Best in Pennsylvania on the Microsoft Office Specialist Certification Challenge
- Consistent superior ratings earned for the entire music program in band, choir and orchestra, with honors awarded at the county, district, regional, state and national levels with musicians in All-State Honors Ensembles
- Music groups selected for international performances in Argentina, China, Costa Rica, Czech Republic, France, Great Britain, Iceland, Italy, Portugal and Spain
- All State Superior rating in the International Thespian Society
- Speech and Debate team consistently ranked in the top 50 high schools in the nation
- Recognized as a leader in the state for athletic accomplishments by the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association, with 8 student athletes being awarded Division I and Division II status on National Signing Day 2023
- 2022-2023 District I and Suburban One Sportsmanship award recipient
- Science Teacher and Librarian co-authors of "Lessons Learned from a STEM Collaboration" published in *Teacher Librarian*
- English Teacher and Librarian co-presenters at the PA School Librarians' Association Conference
- English Teacher named University of Chicago's Outstanding Educator
- Two published authors in the Math and Science departments
- English teacher named PSEA Teacher of Excellence, PAECT Innovator of the Year, PA Teacher of the Year finalist, Keystone Technology Innovator Lead Learner, Teach Plus Fellowship

Academic Achievement

<p>Mean SAT Scores Class of 2023 ERW: 603 Math: 600</p> <p>Advanced Placement Results Class of 2023 389 Students/770 Exams</p> <table><tr><td>5</td><td>4</td><td>3</td></tr><tr><td>41 %</td><td>33 %</td><td>21 %</td></tr></table> <p>Percentage of Total AP Students with Scores 3+ 95% In 2023, 53 AP Scholars, 30 AP Scholars with Honors, 54 AP Scholars with Distinction.</p> <p>Due to our scheduling, students are limited in the number of AP courses they are able to complete during high school. Generally, ninth grade students are not eligible for AP courses.</p>	5	4	3	41 %	33 %	21 %	<p>Mean ACT Results Class of 2023 English -- 26.1 Math – 25.8 Reading – 25.7 Science – 25.8 Composite – 26</p> <p>National Merit Scholarship Program</p> <table><tr><td>Class of 2023</td><td>Class of 2022</td></tr><tr><td>Finalists 6</td><td>Finalists 8</td></tr><tr><td>Semi-Finalists 6</td><td>Semi-Finalists 8</td></tr><tr><td>Commended 13</td><td>Commended 12</td></tr></table> <p>Advanced Schooling Class of 2023 Four-Year College: 80.8% Two-Year College: 9.6%</p>	Class of 2023	Class of 2022	Finalists 6	Finalists 8	Semi-Finalists 6	Semi-Finalists 8	Commended 13	Commended 12
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GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of twenty-three credits is required to receive a diploma.

Credits must include the following:

English – 4 credits

Social Studies – 3 credits

Mathematics – 3 credits

Science – 3 credits

Arts and Humanities – 2 credits

Health – .5 credit

Physical Education – 1.5 credits

Free Electives – 6 credits

CURRICULUM

Council Rock High School North is a four-year public school that emphasizes college preparation. The school year consists of four marking periods encompassing six 55-minute daily class periods. All students pursue an appropriate academic program that is augmented by many elective courses in business, fine arts, music, practical arts and computer technology. Elective programs in all subject areas are designed to meet the diverse needs of the student body.

Courses are offered at the academic, accelerated, honors and Advanced Placement level. Advanced subjects are offered in all disciplines as defined below. The World Language program begins in Grade 8. Beginning in grade 10, students have the opportunity to attend Middle Bucks Institute of Technology (MBIT). MBIT offers a complete array of career development, technical training and pre-professional programs. A cooperative work experience program is also available to students.

Advanced Placement Program Offerings

The AP program adheres to the standards established by the College Board. The following courses are offered as AP:

AP Art History	AP Literature and Composition	AP Computer Science A	AP Biology	AP Music Theory
AP Studio Art -Drawing	AP European History	AP Computer Science Principles	AP Chemistry	AP French
AP Studio Art-2D Design	AP United States History	AP Statistics	AP Environmental Science	AP German
AP Studio Art-3D Design	AP World History	AP Calculus AB	AP Physics C- (Mech)	AP Spanish
AP Language and Composition	AP Psychology	AP Calculus BC	AP Physics C- (E & M)	

Honors Program Offerings

The Honors Program is an advanced study with classes identified as Honors. The following courses are offered as Honors:

Drawing & Painting: Studio	English (9,10,11,12)	Algebra 2	Biology	Am. Civilization (9,10)	US Government & Politics	French (2,3,4)
Ceramics 2	Architectural Design & Eng.	Geometry	Chemistry	Am. Studies (1,2)	Modern World History	German (2,3,4)
Business Management	Electronics	Analysis	Physics	World History	Philosophy	Latin (2,3,4)
Finance	Engineering & Robotics	Anatomy & Phys.	Experimental Research	Economic Theory	Music Arranging	Spanish (2,3,4)
Marketing	Management & Leadership		(in STEM)			

Gifted and Talented Program Offerings

A program for gifted students is offered through the social studies curriculum. Although courses for gifted students are offered each year, some gifted students elect to exit the program to pursue an Honors or AP level study. Each of these courses is designated as Honors and designed to provide a challenging experience to gifted-identified students. Gifted students are eligible for the following courses:

Honors Study of English 9	Honors American Studies 2	Honors Study of English 11	Honors Philosophy
Honors Study of Biology	Honors Study of Geometry	Honors Study of Analysis	Honors Study of Exp Design in STEM 12

Accelerated Program Offerings

The accelerated program serves as a more rigorous level of study than the academic (college preparatory) curriculum. The following courses are offered as accelerated courses:

English (10,11,12)	Comp Science (1,2)	French (2,3,4)	Sculpture (1,2)	Wood Tech 2	Choir
Composition	Physical Science	German (2,3,4)	Accounting	Graphic Arts 2	Marching Band
Psychology	Biology	Spanish (2,3,4)	Business Law	Photography 2	Orchestra
Algebra (1,2)	Chemistry	Essentials of Art	Personal Finance & Investing	Energy/Power 2	Concert Band
Geometry	Physics	Draw & Paint (1,2)	Computer Appl for College & Careers	Publication Design (1,2)	
Analysis	Behavioral Science	Ceramics (1,2)	Entrepreneurship	Studies Sexuality	
Statistics	Forensic Science	Design (1,2)	Child Dev Nurs Sch	Emergency Mgmt.	
Calculus	STEM Concepts in Biotechnology	Metals (1,2)	Nutrition	Exercise Phys	
			Drafting/Design 2		

Grade Point Average

Grade Point Average is cumulative in grades 9 through 12 and is on a weighted system. Our grading scale is defined as follows: A = 90% - 100%; B = 80% - 89%; C = 70% - 79%; D = 60% - 69%; F = 0% - 59%. Plus(+) & Minus(-) may be used to indicate the strength of a grade.

Our scale is defined as follows:

	A	B	C	D	F
AP	4.8	4.3	3.3	1.8	0
Honors	4.5	4.0	3.0	1.5	0
Accelerated	4.2	3.4	2.4	1.2	0
All Others	4.0	3.0	2.0	1.0	0

Rank

Council Rock High School North **DOES NOT PROVIDE A SPECIFIC CLASS RANK.**

Listed below are some of the Four-Year Colleges/Universities that CRHS-North students are attending for the 2023-2024 School Year.

American University
Arcadia University
Arizona State University
Auburn University
Binghamton University
Boston University
Brigham Young University
Bucks County Community College
Carnegie Mellon University
Case Western Reserve University
Clemson University
College of Charleston
Coastal Carolina University
Colgate University
Delaware Valley University
Drexel University
University College Dublin
Duquesne University
Elizabethtown College
Elon University
Emory University
Fairfield University
Fairleigh Dickinson University
Florida Atlantic University
Florida State University
Fordham University
Franklin and Marshall University
George Washington University
Georgetown University
The Hague University of Applied Sciences
Hamilton College
High Point University
Indiana University
Ithaca College
James Madison University
Johnson & Wales University
Kutztown University of Pennsylvania
Lehigh University
Loyola University Maryland
McGill University
Michigan State University
Middlebury College
Millersville University
Monmouth University
New York University
Northeastern University
Ohio State University

Pennsylvania College of Technology
Pennsylvania State University
Pratt Institute
Purdue University
Quinnipiac University
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rider University
Rochester Institute of Technology
Rutgers University
Saint Joseph's University
Saint Mary's College
Savannah College of Art and Design
Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania
Stevenson University
Susquehanna University
Syracuse University
Temple University
Thomas Jefferson University
The College of New Jersey
The University of Alabama
The University of Tampa
The University of Texas
The University of Tennessee
Tufts University
Tulane University
United States Military Academy
University of California-Berkeley
University of California-Davis
University of Colorado
University of Delaware
University of Florida
University of Maryland
University of Massachusetts
University of North Carolina
University of Pennsylvania
University of Pittsburgh
University of Rhode Island
University of Scranton
University of South Carolina
University of Vermont
Ursinus College
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Wake Forest University
Washington & Jefferson College
West Chester University of Pennsylvania
West Virginia University
Yale University