



THE PHELPS SCHOOL

FOR A BETTER MAN

2019-2020 SCHOOL PROFILE

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THE PHELPS SCHOOL CHARACTERISTICS

- Founded in 1946
- An all-boys boarding and day school enrolling students in grades 6-12 and Post-Graduates
- Enrollment of approximately 100 students from across the U.S. and around the world
- 70% boarding, 30% day
- Student-teacher ratio: 5:1
- Average class size: 8 students
- 98% of students attend college within one year of graduation
- Accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools; licensed by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- Member of NAIS, PAIS, ADVIS, The College Board, and NACAC
- Phelps students are required to complete 10 hours of school-sponsored community service per academic year
- 75% of students receive need-based financial aid

ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

The curriculum is designed to help boys succeed academically, personally, and socially in a positive and caring environment. Small classes, a disciplined atmosphere, and regular after-school tutorial sessions provide structure and support. Assembly presentations focus on character and leadership development. Faculty advisors provide guidance, encouragement, and help with executive functioning skills and study habits. Phelps students learn how to learn and how to live lives of purpose and meaning.

- Calendar: Semester
- Students enroll in 7 academic classes; 6 classes meet per day 5 days/week (cascading schedule)
- Advanced Placement classes are offered in major disciplines (see page 2 for a detailed listing); AP is an open-enrollment program
- The Phelps School does not rank
- GPA is weighted
- Students participate in co-curricular clubs during the academic day as well as an afternoon activity (a team sport or a creative pursuit) during three athletic seasons: fall, winter, and spring
- Seniors and Post-Graduates take Transition to College, a yearlong course that includes time management and self-advocacy skills, personal finance, public speaking, interview preparation, and practical skills related to success in college and life
- Three levels of English as an Additional Language (EAL; formerly ESL: English as a Second Language) are available to prepare non-native English speakers for success in mainstream classes
- Students with learning/attention differences can enroll in the Academic Support Program (ASP) where the average class size is 3 students

Grading Scale:

A	93-100	B	83-86	C	73-76	D	63-66
A-	90-92	B-	80-82	C-	70-72	D-	60-62
B+	87-89	C+	77-79	D+	67-69	F	Below 60

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students must earn at least 22 credits beginning in ninth grade.

English/EAL - 4	Social Studies - 3	Arts - 2
Mathematics - 4	World Language - 2	Electives - 2
Science - 3	Health/Physical Education - 2	

REPORTING OF DISCIPLINE

Character development is essential at The Phelps School. Students are expected to follow the honor code and to encourage each other to be "honest, respectful, courteous, and kind." The Phelps School complies with NACAC's Code of Ethics and Professional Practices. Applicable disciplinary infractions will be disclosed to colleges accordingly.

2019-2020 COURSE OFFERINGS

AP Courses

AP Calculus
AP Chemistry
AP English Language and Composition
AP English Literature and Composition
AP Government
AP Physics
AP U.S. History

English/EAL

American Literature
ASP English
ASP Reading
British Literature
EAL Communications Skills 3, 4, and 5
EAL Reading and Writing 1, 3, and 5
EAL TOEFL Prep
Intro to Genre I and II
MS (Middle School) Composition
MS (Middle School) English

Mathematics

Algebra 1 and 2
Geometry
Pre-Algebra
Pre-Calculus

Science

Chemistry
Chemistry Honors (by request)
Biology
Environmental Science
Physical Science
Physics
Science 7 and 8 (Middle School)

Social Studies

American History
Civics/Economics
Social Studies 7 and 8 (Middle School)

World Language

Spanish 1, 2, and 3
Advanced Spanish Language and Culture (4)

Health

Health and P.E. (Physical Education)
MS (Middle School) Physical Education

Arts

Studio Art
MS (Middle School) Studio Art

Arts and Electives

Computer Programming
Computer Science in Java
Psychology
Study Skills (Executive Functioning)
Transition to College

Co-Curricular Clubs

Acapellas (a capella) Leadership
Art Mindfulness
Board Games Model U.N.
Engineering Video Production
Esports Yearbook
Film Review

Afternoon Activities

Art/Photography Lacrosse
Badminton Hockey (off-campus)
Baseball Music
Basketball Soccer
Cross Country Wrestling
Golf Yoga/Fitness

CLASS OF 2019 PROFILE

Class size: 23 students

GPA (Weighted)	3.5 to 3.99: 8	2.5 to 2.99: 3
4.00 or above: 1	3.0 to 3.49: 8	2.0 to 2.49: 3

COLLEGE MATRICULATIONS 2015-2019

American University	Denison University	Marshall University	Roger Williams University
The University of Arizona (2)	Drexel University (4)	University of Maryland, Baltimore County	Rosemont College
Auburn University	Elizabethtown College (2)	Merrimack College	Sacred Heart University
Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania (2)	Fairleigh Dickinson University	Michigan State University	Saint Joseph's University
Boston University	Farmingdale State College	Mid-Plains Community College	Salisbury University
Brookdale Community College	Frank Phillips College	Millersville University of Pennsylvania	St. John's University
Cabrini University	Franklin & Marshall College (2)	University of Missouri Columbia	Stevens Institute of Technology
University of California, Davis	Gettysburg College	Monmouth University	SUNY College at Oneonta
University of California, San Diego	Goucher College	Morehouse College	SUNY Polytechnic Institute
Case Western Reserve University	Harcum College (3)	Mount Aloysius College	SUNY Purchase
Catawba College	University of Idaho	New Jersey Institute of Technology	Temple University (6)
The Catholic University of America	Ithaca College (3)	Niagara County Community College	United States Air Force Academy
Chestnut Hill College	Johnson & Wales University (Providence)	Norwich University	The University of Buckingham
The College of Saint Rose	Juniata College	Pace University, New York City (2)	University of Essex
University of Colorado Colorado Springs	Kean University	Pennsylvania State University - Main (3)	Virginia Tech
Community College of Philadelphia	La Salle University (2)	Pennsylvania State University - Brandywine	West Chester University of Pennsylvania
Creighton University	Lebanon Valley College	Pitzer College	West Virginia Wesleyan College
Cuesta College	Linfield College	Purdue University	Western New Mexico University
Curry College	Lock Haven University of Pennsylvania	Randolph-Macon College	The College of Wooster
Delaware Country Community College	Marist College	Roanoke University	Xavier University