



Souderton Area High School

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2016-2017 Profile

SUMMARY - Located 25 miles north of Philadelphia, just off of Route 309, the Souderton Area School District can be characterized as a growing semi-rural community of 39,000 residents. The school district encompasses 49 square miles and the entire school district has approximately 6,700 students.

Pathway 360^o defines Souderton Area High School's program. Pathway 360^o provides a unique comprehensive approach to helping students find the pathway to their future goals. Students choose from one of four Pathways: Industry & Engineering, Business & Communications, Health & Human Services, or Arts & Humanities. The Pathways guide the students in their selection of courses and real life experiences (job shadows and mentorships) to fulfill their graduation requirements. Students who fulfill the specific requirements, including earning a Distinguished score on their senior project presentation, can earn a Pathway or Scholar's Diploma.

DIPLOMAS

| Diploma (credits) | Pathway Diploma (credits) | Scholars Diploma (credits) |
|--------------------------|--|--|
| 4 English | 4 English | 4 English |
| 4 Social Studies | 4 Social Studies | 4 Social Studies |
| 4 Math | 4 Math | 4 Math |
| 4 Science | 4 Science | 4 Science |
| 2 Wellness (PE/Health) | 2 Wellness (PE/Health) | 2 Wellness (PE/Health) |
| 1 Arts/Design | 1.0 Arts/Design | 1.0 Arts/Design |
| 0.25 Career Exploration | 0.25 Career Exploration | 0.25 Career Exploration |
| 0.5 Personal Finance | 0.5 Personal Finance | 0.5 Personal Finance |
| 0.25 FCS | 0.25 FCS | 0.25 FCS |
| 1 Computer Technology | 1.0 Computer Technology | 1.0 Computer Technology |
| 0.5 Grad Project | 1.0-3.0 World Language | 0.5 Grad Project |
| 6.5 Career Electives | 0.5 Grad Project | 0.5 Internship |
| | 0.5 Internship | 7.0 Career Electives |
| | 4.0-6.0 Career Electives | |
| | Must Have: | Must Have: |
| | - Distinguished on Grad. Project | - Distinguished on Grad. Project |
| | - NMTCC Industry Certification (NMTCC students only) | - Advanced on the NOCTI (NMTCC students only) |
| | - Minimum GPA of 2.88 (B-) | - Minimum GPA of 3.85 |
| | - 1 Credit AP/Dual Credit (or Proficient on NOCTI for NMTCC) | - 5 College-Level (AP/Dual Enrollment) across 3 Disciplines |
| | - Level II of World Language | - Advanced Performing (Honors) or Fine Arts or World Language (Level IV) |
| | | - 4 in 2 APs by end of 11th Grade |

SAHS QUICK FACTS

Grades: 9-12
Graduating Class: 500
Total Population: 2200
Type of School: Public
Length of Marking Period: 9 Weeks, 4x4 Block
Teaching Faculty: 140
Teacher to Student Ratio: 1:15

GRADING SYSTEM

| | |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| A+ = 98-100 (4.33) | C = 73 - 76 (2.0) |
| A = 93 -97 (4.0) | C- =70 - 72 (1.66) |
| A- = 90-92 (3.66) | D+ = 67-69 (1.33) |
| B+ = 88 -89 (3.33) | D = 63-66 (1.0) |
| B = 83-87 (3.0) | D- = 60-62 (.66) |
| B- = 80-82 (2.66) | F = 50 - 59 |
| C+ = 77 - 79 (2.33) | F- = 0 - 49 |

GPA/Class Rank Calculation

Grade Point Averages are calculated on a 4.0-weighted scale, include all courses taken, and are cumulative starting in ninth grade. Grades are converted to a numeric grade equivalent, and the grade equivalent for each course is multiplied by the weight assigned to that course. Advanced Placement, honors and college prep level courses are weighted as follows; AP 1.5, Honors 1.25, and all others 1.0.

Souderton Area High School does not publicly report students' individual class rank. For college admissions, counselors will report a student's cumulative GPA, and will report the range, mean, and median GPAs for the student's class. If required for scholarships, armed forces, etc., counselors will report decile rank (10%, 20%, etc.) based on a quality point system. No type of ranking will appear on a student's high school transcript.

COLLEGE PLACEMENT - CLASS OF 2016

- 58% four-year college
- 23% two-year college/technical/trade school
- 2% military service
- 17% of graduates entered the workforce, many in technical/trade careers as a result of training through the Northern Montgomery County Technical Career Center.

GPA Distribution Class of 2017

End of Junior Year

- Median GPA = 3.269 (n=563)
- 4.00 + 16%
- 3.00- 3.99 48%
- 2.00 – 2.99 30%
- Under 2.0 6%

ADMINISTRATION

Dr. Samuel A. Varano, Jr., Principal
Matthew T. Haines, Lead Asst. Principal – 11-12
Dr. William Coddington, Asst. Principal – 11-12
Kyle Longacre, Assistant Principal – 9-10
Ellen Sykes, Assistant Principal – 9-10
Dennis Stanton, Athletic Director
Megan Zweiback, Special Education Supervisor

STANDARDIZED TESTING – SAT

| Year | CR | Math | Writing |
|------|-----|------|---------|
| 2016 | 535 | 544 | 516 |
| 2015 | 526 | 540 | 509 |
| 2014 | 521 | 532 | 501 |
| 2013 | 516 | 527 | 507 |

NATIONAL MERIT RECOGNITION

| | 2016 | 2015 | 2014 | 2013* | 2012 |
|-----------|------|------|------|-------|------|
| Finalists | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Commended | 6 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 11 |

**Due to Hurricane Sandy and a school tragedy, the PSAT/NMSQT was not administered to SAHS juniors in October 2012*

2016 AP EXAMS

| | |
|--------------------------------|-------|
| Total Students | 570 |
| Total Exams | 1081 |
| Students with scores of 3+ | 400 |
| % of Total AP Students with 3+ | 70.2% |

AP COURSES (20)

| | |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
| English Lang/Comp | Biology |
| English Lang/Lit | Chemistry |
| United States History | Physics C - Mechanics |
| European History | Physics C - E/M |
| Micro/Macro Economics | Environmental Science |
| Psychology | Spanish Language |
| US Government/Politics | French Language |
| Human Geography | German Language |
| Calculus AB/BC | Computer Science |
| Statistics | |

SPORTS

Souderton Area High School offers:

- 25 Varsity sports
- 15 JV sports
- 2 Freshman sports

36% of students participate in at least one sport

GUIDANCE OFFICE

Alison Kircher, Counselor 9-10 (A-G)
Nickole Trout, Counselor 9-10 (H-O)
Dan Glatts, Counselor 9-10 (P-Z)
Tom Overberger, Guidance Coord. 11-12 (A-G)
Dan Barber, Counselor, 11-12 (H-O)
Anne Grant, Counselor 11-12 (P-Z)
Robin Johnson, Guidance Secretary
Michele Vitelli, Guidance Secretary