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Inspiring the Future

Tredyffrin/Easttown School District

"To inspire a passion for learning, personal integrity, the pursuit of excellence, and social responsibility in each student" (Tredyffrin/Easttown Strategic Plan)

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Tredyffrin/Easttown School District

2009-2010

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Community and High School

Located 15 miles west of Philadelphia in eastern Chester County, Tredyffrin and Easttown Townships form a suburban school district whose residents primarily engage in professional and business occupations.

Conestoga High School is a four-year public school that emphasizes college preparation. The current enrollment is approximately 2,000 students. Conestoga is consistently among the top high schools in the state in academic excellence. Accredited by the Middle States Commission on Secondary Schools and certified by the Pennsylvania Department of Education, Conestoga was among the first five public high schools in Pennsylvania selected for academic excellence in the National Secondary School Recognition Program. Nearly 50% of all students participate on at least one interscholastic athletic team and 14% participate in the intramural program. Over 88% are involved in at least one facet of a broad-based student activities program, which is notably strong in service and leadership, media production and publications, government and politics, and visual and performing arts.

Curriculum

An outstanding feature of Conestoga is its academic program. Students must earn 24 credits to meet graduation requirements. An individual program is developed for each student, and courses are offered at varying levels of difficulty. Most students take at least one honors level course. For the graduating class of 2009, 53.4% of students scored a 3 or higher on an AP test at some point in their high school years. Of the 1,164 AP examinations taken by Conestoga students in 2009, 46% achieved an AP score of 5, 32% achieved a score of 4, and 17% achieved a score of 3. All of the syllabi for the AP courses have been audited and approved by The College Board.

AP courses include:

Computer Science A	French Literature	Comparative Gov't.	Biology	Calculus AB
Eng. Language and Composition	German Language	& Politics	Chemistry	Calculus BC
Eng. Literature and Composition	Latin	U.S. History	Physics C - (Mech.)	Art History
French Language	Spanish Language	European History	Physics C - (E & M)	Studio Art: Drawing
	Spanish Literature	Psychology	Environmental Science	Studio Art: 3D Design
	U.S. Gov't./Politics	Economics	Statistics	Music Theory
		Micro/Macro		

Honors courses include:

World Literature	Chinese 1, 2, 3, 4	U.S. Gov't./Pol.	Intro. to Chem., Physics, & the Environment	Java Programming
American Literature	French 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	African American Studies	Biology	Visual Basic
European Literature	German 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	Economics	Chemistry	Algebra 2
British Literature	Italian 1, 2, 3, 4	Psychology	Physics	Finite Math
Language and Composition	Latin 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	Criminal Justice	Microbiology	Geometry
Journalism	Spanish 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	Philosophy	Environmental Science	Math Analysis
Literature and Film	World Cultures	Sociology	Alice and Java	Calculus
The Writer's Craft	European History	Art History	Multi-Variable Calculus	Linear Algebra
	U.S. History			Statistics

Independent study, self-directed learning and other enrichment opportunities are available in all disciplines. Qualifying seniors participate in a four-week internship program in May and June. Students may also enroll in specialized programs at the Center for Arts and Technology, which offers vocational and technical training.

College Placement

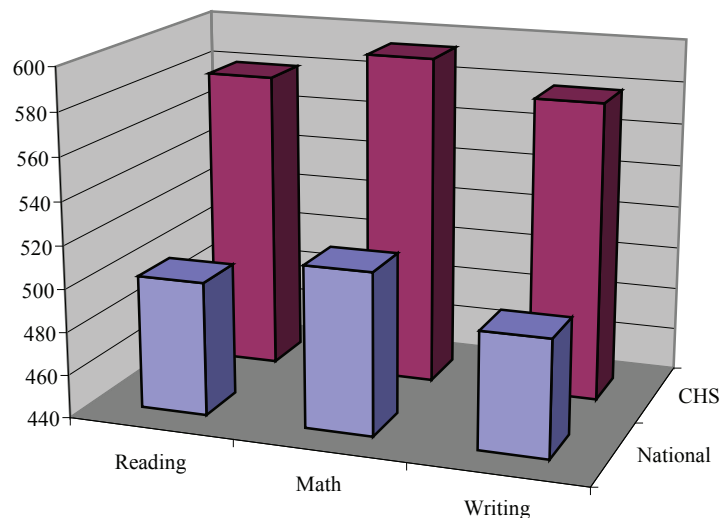
About 95% of 2009 Conestoga graduates chose to attend college after high school, with 97% attending four-year colleges. More than 51% selected private institutions, with 55% attending colleges and universities outside Pennsylvania. Many graduates enroll in institutions rated as "Most Selective" or "Highly Competitive" in college guides and publications (see back page for details).

Class of 2009 SAT Reasoning Test

Conestoga

National

587	Mean Reading	501
599	Mean Math	515
581	Mean Writing	493
98%	Seniors Tested	46%



National Merit/College Board Recognition

The Conestoga Class of 2010 includes 37 National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists, 31 National Merit Commended Students, 1 National Achievement Scholar, and 2 National Hispanic Scholars.

Advanced Placement Program

In May 2009, 606 Conestoga students, or 31% of the student body, completed 1164 College Board Advanced Placement (AP) examinations. A score of 3 or higher was earned on 95% of the tests. AP courses offered at Conestoga are listed under Curriculum. This school year, the College Board will recognize 235 of these students as a *Scholar*, *Scholar with Honor*, *Scholar with Distinction*, *State Scholar*, and/or *National Scholar*.

Pennsylvania System of School Assessment

Conestoga students consistently perform well on the Pennsylvania System of School Assessment (PSSA), which is administered in Reading, Mathematics, Writing and Science to every eleventh grader in public schools throughout the state. The average scaled scores for Conestoga students were among the very highest in the state in 2009.

	CHS	State
Reading	1609	1370
Mathematics	1602	1350
Writing	1691	1480
Science	1343	1240

Grading System

A	90 - 100	O	Outstanding
B	80 - 89	S	Satisfactory
C	70 - 79	N	Needs improvement
D	65 - 69	U	Unsatisfactory
F	< 65	IN	Incomplete
P	Passing	W/P	Withdraw/Passing
F	Failing	W/F	Withdraw/Failing
TR	Transfer Credit	MX	Medically Excused
CP	Certified Oral Presenter	CL	Culminating Project

Instructional Levels

Students are homogeneously grouped in all academic departments: English, Mathematics, Social Studies, Science, and World Languages. Levels are designated on the transcript as follows:

H*	Advanced Placement (AP)/Pre-AP
H	Honors
X	Accelerated
A	Academic

Students are heterogeneously grouped in nonacademic departments, except where Advanced Placement courses are offered.

Grade Point Average (GPA)

The GPA includes only leveled courses valued at 0.5 credits or more. Weighted to reflect levels of instruction, GPA is cumulative and gives no advantage to the student with a heavier course load. Only those courses taken at Conestoga High School are included in the GPA.

Weighted GPA

Using an indexed GPA scale with a maximum cumulative GPA value approaching 5.3, the highest GPA for the class of 2010 was 5.19 at the end of the junior year. The GPA is cumulative for grades 9, 10, and 11, and by the conclusion of the junior year, 487 members of the Conestoga High School Class of 2009 had earned weighted grade point averages within the bands indicated below. The R (Reading), M (Math) and W (Writing) scores represent the mean of the students' best SAT Reasoning scores within each GPA band at the conclusion of the junior year.

GPA >4.70 (24%)		GPA 4.69 - 4.20 (23%)		GPA 4.19 - 3.70 (20%)		GPA 3.69 - 3.20 (19%)		GPA 3.19-2.69 (10%)		GPA < 2.69 (4%)	
R	701	R	635	R	565	R	549	R	516	R	471
M	720	M	662	M	588	M	554	M	508	M	476
W	704	W	636	W	569	W	540	W	499	W	454

Unweighted GPA

The Unweighted GPA is reported on the transcript along with the Weighted GPA. The Unweighted GPA is computed on a traditional 4.0 system in which grades are valued as follows: A's (90-100) 4.0, B's (80-89) 3.0, C's (70-79) 2.0 and D's (65-69) 1.0.

College Destinations for the Class of 2009

Members of the Conestoga High School Class of 2009 have matriculated at the colleges and universities listed below. In a typical year, more than 75% of Conestoga graduates attend colleges listed in the *Best 368 Colleges*, a publication of the Princeton Review. Institutions are listed alphabetically within ranges based on students' cumulative grade point averages (GPA's) at the conclusion of the junior year. Where more than one student from the GPA band enrolled, the number of students is indicated in parentheses. With grade point averages weighted to reflect course difficulty, the highest GPA for the Class of 2009 was 5.15. The *R* (Reading), *M* (Math) and *W* (Writing) scores represent the mean of the student's best SAT Reasoning Test scores within each GPA band.

GPA > 4.70 (16%)

R - 700 M - 717 W - 700

Babson College
 Barnard College
 Boston College (6)
 Boston University
 Brown University
 Bucknell University
 Colgate University
 College of Charleston
 Columbia University
 Cornell University (3)
 Dartmouth College
 Drexel University
 Duke University
 Elon University
 Georgetown University (3)
 Hamilton College
 Harvard University
 Haverford College (2)
 Kenyon College
 Macalaster College
 Massachusetts Institute of Technology
 Middlebury College
 New York University (3)
 Northeastern University
 Oberlin College
 Penn State University (6)
 Princeton University
 Rensselaer Polytechnic Inst. (2)
 Trinity College
 Tufts University
 Tulane University
 University of Delaware
 University of Michigan
 University of North Carolina (2)
 University of Notre Dame (2)
 University of Pennsylvania (4)
 University of Pittsburgh (4)
 University of Richmond
 University of So. California
 University of the Sciences
 University of Virginia (2)
 Vassar College
 Villanova University (4)
 Wake Forest University
 Wesleyan University
 Yale University

GPA 4.69 - 4.20 (22%)

R - 638 M - 657 W - 635

American University (2)
 Art Institute of Chicago
 Boston College (3)
 Boston University
 Bowdoin College
 Brandeis University
 Bryn Mawr College
 Bucknell University
 Case Western Reserve (2)
 Clemson University (2)
 College of Charleston
 Columbia University
 Cornell University (3)
 Davidson College
 Dickinson College
 Drexel University
 Elon University (2)
 Fordham University
 Franklin & Marshall College (2)
 George Washington Univ. (3)
 Gordon College
 Grove City College
 Hampshire College
 Indiana University
 Ithaca College
 Kutztown University (2)
 Lafayette College
 Lebanon Valley College
 Loyola College of Maryland
 McDaniel College
 McGill University (2)
 Messiah College
 New York University (6)
 Northeastern University
 Oberlin College
 Ohio State University
 Penn State University (14)
 Skidmore College (2)
 Susquehanna University
 Syracuse University
 Temple University
 Tulane University
 U.S. Merchant Marine Academy
 University of Delaware (3)
 University of Maryland (2)
 University of Massachusetts
 University of Miami
 University of Michigan (2)
 University of North Carolina
 University of Pittsburgh (4)
 University of Richmond
 University of South Carolina
 University of Vermont
 Ursinus College
 Vanderbilt University
 Villanova University (3)
 Wake Forest University
 Washington U in St. Louis (2)
 West Chester University (2)
 Wheaton College

GPA 4.19 - 3.70 (25%)

R - 589 M - 609 W - 592

American University
 Arizona State University
 Boston Conservatory
 Boston University (6)
 Case Western Reserve
 Chestnut Hill College
 Clemson University
 College of Charleston (6)
 Delaware Co. Comm. College
 Drexel University (5)
 Duquesne University
 Eastern University
 Elon University (2)
 Emerson College (2)
 Franklin & Marshall College
 High Point University
 Ithaca College (2)
 James Madison University (3)
 Johns Hopkins University
 Kenyon College
 Lewis & Clark College
 Loyola College of Maryland
 Marquette University
 Marymount Manhattan College
 Miami University of Ohio
 Millersville University
 Muhlenberg College (2)
 New York University (5)
 Northeastern University (4)
 Parsons School of Design
 Penn State University (14)
 Philadelphia University
 Purdue University
 St. Joseph's University (2)
 San Jose State University
 Savannah Coll. of Art & Design
 St. Lawrence University
 Stevenson University
 Syracuse University
 Temple University (2)
 Tulane University
 University of Colorado (3)
 University of Connecticut
 University of Delaware (6)
 University of Iowa
 University of Maryland
 University of Massachusetts (2)
 University of Miami
 University of Pittsburgh (8)
 University of So. California
 University of Texas
 University of Vermont
 Ursinus College
 Villanova University (2)
 Virginia Polytechnic Institute
 West Chester University
 West Virginia University
 York College of Pennsylvania

GPA 3.69 - 3.20 (18%)

R - 550 M - 554 W - 544

Bloomsburg University (2)
 Christopher Newport University
 Clarkson University
 Cleveland Institute of Music
 College of Charleston
 Del. Co. Community College (2)
 Denison University
 Dickinson College
 Drexel University (4)
 Eugene Lang College (2)
 Franklin & Marshall College
 Gettysburg College
 High Point University
 Holy Family University
 Ithaca College
 James Madison University
 Kutztown University
 Landmark College
 Loyola College of Maryland (3)
 McDaniel College (2)
 Miami University of Ohio
 Penn State University (10)
 Quinnipiac University
 Rutgers University
 Saint Joseph's University (2)
 San Diego State University
 Skidmore College
 Stone Hill College
 Temple University (6)
 Towson University (2)
 U.S. Merchant Marine Academy
 University of Colorado (4)
 University of Connecticut
 University of Maryland
 University of Mississippi
 University of New Haven
 University of North Carolina (2)
 University of Oklahoma
 University of Pittsburgh (2)
 University of Vermont (2)
 University of Wisconsin
 Ursinus College (2)
 Virginia Commonwealth Univ.
 Virginia Polytechnic Institute
 Washington College (2)
 West Chester University (4)
 Widener University
 York College of Pennsylvania

GPA 3.19 - 2.69 (12%)

R - 514 M - 527 W - 509

Agnes Scott College
 Arizona State University (2)
 Bloomsburg University (2)
 Cabrini College
 California State University
 Clemson University
 Del. Co. Comm. College (5)
 Drexel University (2)
 Eastern University
 Fairleigh Dickinson College
 High Point University
 Indiana University of PA (4)
 Kent State University
 Kutztown University
 Lycoming College
 Lynchburg College (2)
 Lynn University
 McDaniel College
 Penn State University (9)
 Philadelphia University
 Miami University of Ohio
 Roanoke College
 Shippensburg University (2)
 Temple University
 Univ. of British Columbia
 University of Pittsburgh
 West Chester University (3)
 Widener University

GPA < 2.69 (7%)

R - 484 M - 472 W - 458

Bloomsburg University
 Cabrini College (2)
 Del. Co. Comm. College (4)
 Drexel University
 Hofstra University
 Indian University of PA (2)
 Johnson and Wales University
 Kutztown University
 LaSalle University
 Lynchburg College
 Marshall University
 Penn State University (3)
 Potomac State Coll. of WVU
 Shippensburg University
 West Virginia University
 Wheaton College