Colleges & Universities

A sampling of college acceptances from recent classes

Albright College

Alvernia University

American University Appalachian State University

Arcadia University

Arizona State University

Bard College Belmont University Bible Baptist University

Binghamton University Bloomsburg University

Boston College Boston University Bridgewater College **Bryant University**

Bryn Athyn College **Bucknell University**

Cabrini College

California University of Pennsylvania

Cape Fear Community College Carnegie Mellon University

Cedar Crest College

Central Pennsylvania College **Centenary University**

Champlain College Chatham University Chestnut Hill College

Cheyney University of Pennsylvania

Clarion University **Clark University**

Coastal Carolina University **Colgate University** College of New Jersey

Columbia University **Cornell University Dartmouth College**

Delaware University Delaware Valley University

DeSales University Devry University

Dickinson College **Drew University Drexel University Duke University Duquesne University**

East Carolina University East Stroudsburg University

Edinboro University Elizabethtown College

Elon University Embry Riddle Aeronautical University

Emerson College

Fairleigh Dickinson University Florida Atlantic University Franklin & Marshall College

Gannon University George Mason University

George Washington University **Georgetown University Gettysburg College**

Goucher College Grace College **Grove City College Guilford College**

Hofstra University

Gwynedd Mercy College Harcum College

Holy Family University **Howard University**

Image International Modeling &

Acting Center

Indiana University of Pennsylvania Institute of Audio Research

Ithaca College

James Madison University John Hopkins University John Roach Honors College

Johnson and Wales University Juilliard School Juniata College King's College Kutztown University Lackawanna College Lafayette College La Salle University Lebanon Valley College

Lehigh Carbon Community College

Lehigh University Lincoln Culinary Institute

Lincoln Technical Institute Lipscomb University Lock Haven University

London Metropolitan University Loyola University

Lycoming College Marist College Marywood University

Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and

Health Sciences McCann Business School McDaniel College McGill University Messiah College Miami University Millersville University Misericordia University Monmouth University

Montclair State University Montgomery County Community College

Moravian College Mount Olive College Muhlenberg College **New York University**

Northampton County Community College

Northeastern University Northwestern University Ohio State University Pace University Penn State University

Pennsylvania College of Technology

Philadelphia University Phoenix University **Quinnipiac University**

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Rider University

Robert E. Cook Honors College Robert Morris University Rochester Institute of Technology

Rutgers University

Saginaw Valley State University Saint Josephs University

Saint Peters College School of Audio Engineering School of Visual Arts Schrever Honors College Seton Hall University Shippensburg University

Slippery Rock College State College of Florida State University of New York Stevens Institute of Technology

Stonehill College Stony Brook University Susquehanna University

Syracuse University **Temple University**

The Art Institute of Philadelphia The Visions Beauty School

Toledo University Triangle Tech **Trinity College Tufts University Tulane University** University Michigan University of Akron

University of California, Los Angeles

University of Central Florida University of Cincinnati University of Colorado University of Connecticut University of Delaware University of Georgia University of Illinois University of Maryland University of Memphis

University of Nebraska University of New Haven University of Oklahoma University of Pennsylvania University of Pittsburgh University of Puerto Rico University of Rhode Island **University of Santo Tomas** University of Scranton

University of South Carolina University of Texas

University of the Arts University of Vermont **Ursinus College** Villanova University

Virginia Polytechnic Institute

Wagner College

Washington and Jefferson College Webber International University

Wesley College West Chester University West Coast University West Virginia University Western Carolina University Westminster Choir College Wheelock College Widener University Wilkes University

William Patterson University

Xavier University

Freedom High School

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SCHOOL PROFILE

FREEDOM HIGH SCHOOL

Freedom High School has an enrollment of nearly 2,000 students grades 9 through 12, and is one of two high schools in the Bethlehem Area School District. It is located in the northeastern section of Bethlehem. The school was built in 1967 and an addition of eleven classrooms, fitness room, aerobics room, and a state of the art gymnasium was built and dedicated in 2006. It is a comprehensive four year high school accredited by the Pennsylvania Department of Education and the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. A vocational and technical education is available at the Bethlehem Area Vocational Technical School for grades 9 through 12. The attendance area for Freedom includes a small portion of Northeastern Bethlehem, South Bethlehem, and Bethlehem Township.

COMMUNITY

Bethlehem is a community of approximately 72,000 people. The sixth largest city in Pennsylvania located 90 miles southwest of New York City and 60 miles North of Philadelphia. The campuses of Lehigh University, Moravian College, DeSales University, Penn State University, and Northampton County Area Community College provide an academic dimension to the city. Transportation facilities are readily available to Philadelphia, New York City, and New Jersey communities.

ACTIVITIES & ATHLETICS

All co-curricular activities are an integral part of our school community. Students have the opportunity to participate in over 35 organizations and 22 interscholastic sports at the AAAA/AAA level of competition. Freedom's athletic teams compete in the Lehigh Valley Interscholastic Conference. Sports include field hockey, cross country, cheerleading, football, golf, Lacrosse, rifle, soccer, basketball, swimming, baseball, softball, tennis, track & field, volleyball and wrestling. A sampling of our clubs include Anime, Art, Astronomy, Chess, Debate, Young Democrats, Engineering, Environmental Awareness, Future Business Leaders of America, French, Gay/Straight Alliance, German, Hackey Sack, Freedom Forum Newspaper, Photography, SADD, Ski, STEPs, Student Council, Theatre Company, Yearbook, Science Olympiad, Scholastic Scrimmage, Band, Twirlers, Orchestra, Choir, and Les Chanteurs.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Many of our students participate in Dual Enrollment programs offered at Northampton Community College. We also offer a University Scholars Program for our top students with Lehigh University, Moravian College, Lafayette College and DeSales University. Our Business and Technology Department offers a seven credit certificate program in Accounting, Marketing, Information Processing and Finance & Banking. Our Fine and Practical Arts Department offers a certificate program for students who plan to pursue a career in Early Childhood Education. Vocational and technical education is available for all students through Bethlehem Area Vocational Technical School, and their program includes senior honors programs in engineering, in cooperation with Lafayette College and a medical academy, through Lehigh Valley Health Network.

ADMINISTRATION

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NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP 2017

2 SCHOLARSHIP FINALISTS **7 COMMENDED STUDENTS** 2 NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP

STUDENT AND GRADING SUMMARY			
GRADE	GRADE POINTS	% EQUIVALENCY	
A+	4.3	97-100	
Α	4	93-96	
A-	3.7	90-92	
B+	3.3	87-89	
В	3	83-86	
B-	2.7	80-82	
C+	2.3	77-79	
С	2	73-76	
C-	1.7	70-72	
F	0	<70	

GRADING AND CLASS RANK

Honors Courses and Advanced Placement courses, as noted on transcript, receive one additional grade point unit (A=5.0, B=4.0, etc.) Academic subjects meet five days per week for periods of 85 minutes for one semester There are two marking periods each semester. Final grades are calculated as follows: two marking periods at 40% of grades for each plus 20% for the final examination. For grades 9, 10, 11, and 12, students receive letter grade assessments of A, B, C, and F. The standard for passing is 70%.

Class rank is computed at the end of each semester for all students. An official class rank is computed at the end of each school year. All students are ranked together by grade. Community service is exempt from the rank.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES

LANGUAGE & COMPOSITION LITERATURE & COMPOSITION CALCULUS AB & BC

STATISTICS

FRENCH

SPANISH

BIOLOGY CHEMISTRY

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

Physics 1

COMPARATIVE GOVT & POLITICS GOVERNMENT & POLITICS

PSYCHOLOGY

UNITED STATES HISTORY

WORLD HISTORY

COMPUTER SCIENCE PRINCIPLES

COMPUTER SCIENCE A

FREEDOM'S CEEB CODE 390322

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

English	4 CREDITS	
*MATH	3 CREDITS	
SOCIAL STUDIES	4 CREDITS	
*SCIENCE	3 CREDITS	
MATH OR SCIENCE		
HEALTH	1 CREDIT	
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	2 CREDITS	
FINE & PRACTICAL ARTS	1 CREDIT	
GENERAL ELECTIVES	6.5 CREDITS	
COMMUNITY SERVICE(60 HOURS)		
TOTAL CREDITS	26 CREDITS	

HONORS LEVEL COURSES

ENGLISH 9, 10, 11, 12 **UNITED STATES HISTORY 2 UNITED STATES HISTORY 3**

GLOBAL STUDIES

GOVERNMENT/ECONOMICS 12

GEOMETRY

ALGEBRA 1

ALGEBRA 2

PRE-CALCULUS

FRENCH 4

SPANISH 4

BIOLOGY

CHEMISTRY

HUMAN ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY

LAST YEAR'S GRADUATES: CLASS OF 2017

2016-2017 SAT Scores

Mean Critical Reading & Writing Score: 539

Mean Math Score: 529

Class of 2017 Post-High School Placement		
4-Year College	44%	
2-Year College/Trade School	40%	
Military	4%	
Work	8%	
Other/Homemaker/Uncertain	4%	