

ACADEMIC PROFILE
2007 - 2008

SALISBURY HIGH SCHOOL

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COMMUNITY

Salisbury Township is a suburban community bordering the southwestern section of Allentown and Bethlehem. Primarily residential in nature, the township population is approximately 13,989.

DISTRICT

There are two elementary schools (K-5), one middle school (6-9) and one high school in the district. The student population is approximately 1749. The professional staff numbers 147.

SCHOOL

Salisbury High School, established in 1963, houses students in grades 10, 11, and 12. The school population averages 500. Students have the opportunity to participate in a number of diversified co-curricular activities.

CURRICULUM

Courses are offered to prepare students for entrance into college and/or employment and to provide for a general education. Students enrolled in vocational and technical courses pursue their academic work at Salisbury High School and their laboratory work at Lehigh Career and Technical Institute. Honors courses are offered in English, social studies, mathematics and science. Advanced Placement courses are offered in biology, calculus AB, English composition and literature, European history, and United States history. In partnership with Lehigh Carbon Community College, Salisbury High School offers dual enrollment courses in science and art.

WE WELCOME VISITORS

Salisbury High School welcomes visits by authorized representatives of colleges and universities, the military services, technical and vocational schools, and potential employers. Advance notice of two weeks is recommended. Visitation hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and from 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

ACCREDITATION

Salisbury High School is accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools and by the Department of Education, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students graduating in the class of 2008 and thereafter are required to complete, in grades 9-12, a minimum of 26 units of credit distributed as follows:

English	4 credits
Social Studies	3 credits
Mathematics	3 credits
Science	3 credits

(Plus 1 credit more - total of 4 - in one area: Social Studies, Mathematics or Science. LCTI students are exempt.)

LifeSmarts	1 credit
Arts/Humanities	1.5 credits
Health	.5 credit
Physical Education	2 credits
Electives	6 credits
Graduation Project	1 credit

CLASS RANK

Class rank is computed at the end of each quarter and at the end of each year. The rank is cumulative from grade nine through twelve. All subjects assigned a numerical grade are included in class rank. Honors and Advanced Placement courses are weighted in the calculation of class rank and grade point average. The weight for Honors courses is 1.05, and the weight for Advanced Placement courses is 1.10. Courses taken for college credit appear on the high school transcript as a college course taken with the grade earned; however, the college grade is not included in determining the student's GPA or class rank.

GRADING SYSTEM

Students will receive a scholarship mark from each teacher with whom they have a class. Full credit and one-half credit courses receive a numerical grade of:

93-100	Distinguished, exceptional, outstanding work
85-92	Superior, above average
77-84	Average, possibility of improvement
70-76	Fair, passing, improvement needed
Below 70	Subject failure, make-up required for credit
I	Incomplete work

Physical Education courses receive a letter grade of:

A	Outstanding
B	Above average
C	Average
D	Below average
F	Failure
I	Incomplete work
M	Medical excuse

SAT SCORES - CLASS OF 2007

During the junior and/or senior year, 131 students of the total class numbering 170 took the SAT. The average scores as reported by the College Board are:

	Critical Reading	Math	Writing
Salisbury High School	520	536	515
National	502	515	494
Pennsylvania	493	499	482

ADVANCED SCHOOLING

Members of the Class of 2007 were offered admission to 77 post secondary institutions. These schools are located in 11 states. 87.64% (149) of the 170 member Class of 2007 planned to continue their formal education in the following types of schools:

Colleges or Universities located in Pennsylvania	83	students
Colleges or Universities not located in Pennsylvania	17	students
Community Colleges	43	students
Nursing/Technical/Trade Schools	6	students

ADMINISTRATION

Superintendent - Dr. Mary Anne Wright
Assistant Superintendent - Dr. Louise A. Beauchemin

Principal - Heather L. Morningstar
Assistant Principal - Heather A. Piperato

GUIDANCE STAFF

Sylvia S. Toth - A-K

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