

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES

The following is a sampling of schools to which members of the Class of 2009 were accepted:

American University	Temple University
Boston College	Tulane University
Boston University	Syracuse University
Duke University	SUNY— New York City
Drexel University	University of Maryland
George Washington	University of Mass.
Hamilton College	at Amherst
Howard University	University of Pittsburgh
Ithaca College	University of Toronto
John Hopkins University	University of Vermont
Lafayette College	University of Washington
Loyola College of MD	at Seattle
Mass. Institute of Tech.	Villanova University
Northeastern University	Wake Forest University
Penn State University	Washington and Jefferson
Philadelphia College	College
Princeton University	Washington College
Rensselaer Polytechnic Inst.	Wellesley College
Rochester Institute of Tech.	West Chester University
Rutgers University	

GRADING

Grades are issued on a 100-point scale.
A passing grade is 65 or better.

Students qualify for HONOR ROLL on two levels:

- **HONORS** will require an average of 88 with no grade lower than 83.
- **HIGH HONORS** will require an average of 95 with no grade lower than a 90.

A GRADE POINT AVERAGE AND CLASS RANK are calculated twice yearly. All course work is included in the calculation.

Letter grades for transfer students are converted using the following table: A+ (99-100); A (94-98); A- (92-93); B+ (90-91); B (85-89); B- (83-84); C+ (81-82); C (76-80); C- (74-75); D+ (72-73); D (67-71); D- (65-66); F (Below 65).

WEIGHTED GRADES

New Hope-Solebury High School uses a grade-weighting system based on the recommendations of the National Association of Secondary School Principals and an internal Weighted Grades Study Committee. Courses are weighted at one of two levels in accordance with the following:

Level I

Weight: +6 points

Courses:

A.P. Biology
A.P. Calculus AB
A.P. Chemistry
A.P. Economics
A.P. English Language & Composition
A.P. English Literature & Composition
A.P. European History
A.P. French
A.P. Music Theory
A.P. Physics
A.P. Spanish
A.P. Statistics
A.P. Studio Art
A.P. U.S. History

Level II

Weight: +4 points

Courses:

Honors Algebra II, Honors Calculus,
Honors English 9, 10, 11,
Honors Geometry, Honors Philosophy,
and Honors Precalculus
French IV and French V
Spanish IV and Spanish V
Physics
MBIT/Penn State University Dual Enrollment
Anatomy and Physiology
MBIT/Penn State University Dual Enrollment
Engineering

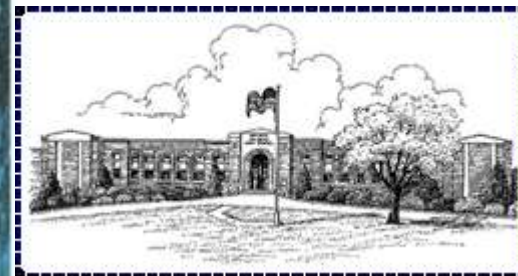
Weighted grades are only used to determine (1) rank in class, (2) class Valedictorian and Salutatorian, and (3) National Honor Society eligibility. Weighted grades are not used for honor roll status.

2009-2010 SCHOOL PROFILE

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COMMUNITY

New Hope-Solebury High School draws students from Solebury Township and the Borough of New Hope, which sits nestled in the center of the township along the Delaware River. The combined population of these two communities is approximately 10,000 persons. The high school has a population of some 475 students in grades 9 through 12. The Class of 2009 has 114 members.

The communities have a rich history. The borough is one of the Commonwealth's most popular tourist sites. The town consists of only one square mile, but it is chock full of interesting shops, restaurants and art galleries. The surrounding countryside is pristine and enchanting; it has a rural feel to it. Its natural beauty has long attracted artists to the area -- painters, photographers, sculptors, writers, and actors alike. The arts play a very important role in the community.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

All students at New Hope-Solebury must pass the following subjects:

English	4.00 credits
Social Studies	4.00 credits
Mathematics	3.00 credits
Science	3.00 credits
Career Exploration	0.50 credits
Health/Phys. Ed.	2.00 credits
Culminating Project	0.25 credits
Electives	7.25 credits
TOTAL	24.00 credits

New Hope-Solebury High School counselors subscribe to and practice the tenets of Good Principles adopted by the National Association for Admissions Counseling.



SPECIALIZED PROGRAMS

HONORS PROGRAM: Honors programs in English, mathematics, and science are available to students who meet eligibility criteria. These criteria include: (1) final grade of 90 in a non-honors course or an 85 in an Honors course; (2) 90th percentile in a related area on a recent standardized test; (3) successful results on a Student Assessment Profile completed by the student's teacher; and (4) superior performance on an on-demand writing prompt. All Honors courses require the development and consistent application of critical thinking skills.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT: A.P. courses are offered in Biology, Calculus AB, Chemistry, Computer Science, English Composition, English Literature, European History, Music Theory, Physics, Statistics, Studio Art and U.S. History.

INDEPENDENT STUDY: Students may pursue independent study projects for credit at their own initiative. Participating students must design their own curriculum and assessment criteria. Approved areas of study must fall outside the framework of the school's existing curriculum. Additionally, students may take course work online with the prior approval of the principal.

RESOURCE ROOM CLASSES: Students with documented disabilities often require specialized instruction. These courses, taught by special education teachers, are designated by "RR" on the transcript, and are carefully developed to meet the requirements of a student's Individual Educational Plan.

BUCKS COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL ENRICHMENT PROGRAM: New Hope-Solebury High School participates in the Bucks County Community College High School Enrichment Program. This program is available to all students in their senior year and to those underclassmen who have exhausted the school's curriculum in a given discipline.

MIDDLE BUCKS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY: The New Hope-Solebury School District, along with three other neighboring school districts, offers an array of career, technical, and pre-professional courses at its Middle Bucks campus. Located just 15 minutes from the high school, this regional career development and technology center offers a half-day, credited program for high school students throughout their high school career.

CLASS OF 2009

SAT SCORES

NHS SAT MEAN SCORES	PENNSYLVANIA SAT MEAN SCORES
Critical Reading: 561	Critical Reading: 493
Math: 571	Math: 501
Writing: 557	Writing: 483

POST-GRADUATION PLANS

87% attend a 4-year school
5% attend a 2-year school
1% attend a vocational school
6% plan to seek employment

CLASS OF 2010

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Commended Students: 5
Semifinalist Students: 3

CUMULATIVE GPA DISTRIBUTION

June 2009

75th Percentile	92.898
50th Percentile	87.897
25th Percentile	82.342

Class rank is noted on a student's transcript only at the request of the family.

ANTICIPATED POST-GRADUATION PLANS

79% plan to attend a 4-year school
18% plan to attend a 2-year school
3% plan to attend a vocational school, enter the military or work force
1% plan to seek employment