

## 2014-2015 School Profile

# New Hope-Solebury High School Profile

CEEB Code: 392-950

<http://www.nhsd.org/>



Grades are issued on a 100 point scale on which a passing grade is 65. Students may qualify for two levels of Honor Roll:

**HONORS** requires an average of 88, with no grade lower than 83.

**HIGH HONORS** requires an average of 95 with no grade lower than a 93.

GPA is calculated twice annually. All courses are included in this calculation. Weighted grades are not used to determine honor roll status; they are used only to determine class Valedictorian and Salutatorian and National Honor Society eligibility.

New Hope-Solebury HS does not report class rank.

### Grading Scale

|        |    |
|--------|----|
| 93-100 | A  |
| 90-92  | A- |
| 87-89  | B+ |
| 83-86  | B  |
| 80-82  | B- |
| 77-79  | C+ |
| 73-76  | C  |
| 70-72  | C- |
| 65-69  | D  |
| 0-64   | F  |

#### Principal:

Mr. Chuck Malone  
215-862-2028, x3171

#### School Counselors:

Ms. Hebat El-Turky (A-L)  
215-862-8171, x3179

Mrs. Sarah Reeder (M-Z)  
215-862-8171, x3178

#### Administrative Assistant:

Mrs. Vickie Behlert  
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## Community

New Hope-Solebury High School is a four year public high school enrolling approximately 500 students annually in grades 9 through 12. The district draws students from Solebury Township and the Borough of New Hope, located in historic Bucks County. The combined population of these two communities is approximately 10,000 persons. The high school environment is marked by strong interpersonal relationships at every level. The U.S. News & World Report's 2014 ranking of Best High Schools ranked New Hope-Solebury High School as #3 in Pennsylvania and #337 out of 19,400 high schools in the nation.

## Graduation Requirements

| <u>Subject</u>      | <u>Required Credits</u> |
|---------------------|-------------------------|
| English             | 4                       |
| Social Studies      | 4                       |
| Mathematics         | 3                       |
| Science             | 3                       |
| Health/P.E.         | 2                       |
| Culminating Project | .25                     |
| Keystone Math       | .25                     |
| Keystone Literature | .25                     |
| Electives           | 7.25                    |
| <b>TOTAL</b>        | <b>24.00</b>            |

## Curriculum

The academic program is comprehensive and offers advanced courses in many subject areas. Students take eight 41-minute class periods each day. Honors courses receive a weight of +4 and Advanced Placement courses receive a weight of +6.

**Honors Program:** Consists of courses in English, Mathematics, and Science for students meeting eligibility criteria. These criteria include a final grade of 92 in a non-honors course or an 83 in an honors course. All honors courses require the development and consistent application of critical thinking skills.

**Advanced Placement:** Advanced Placement Courses are offered in the following course: Biology, Calculus AB, Chemistry, Computer Science, English Composition, English Literature, European History, Music Theory, Physics, Statistics, Studio Art, and U.S. History.

### 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.

**Cumulative GPA Distribution (2014)**

25th percentile: 94.449  
 50th percentile: 91.451  
 75th percentile: 88.121

**Post-Secondary Plans**

- 90.8% will attend a 4-year college
- 5.5% will attend a 2-year college

**ACT Results: Class of 2014 Mean Composite Scores**

|                             |             |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| <b>New Hope-Solebury HS</b> | <b>25.5</b> |
| Pennsylvania                | 22.7        |

**SAT Results: Class of 2014 Mean Scores**

|                   | <b>Critical Reading</b> | <b>Math</b> | <b>Writing</b> | <b>TOTAL</b> |
|-------------------|-------------------------|-------------|----------------|--------------|
| New Hope-Solebury | 558                     | 592         | 549            | 1699         |
| Pennsylvania      | 497                     | 504         | 480            | 1481         |
| Nation            | 497                     | 513         | 487            | 1497         |

**SAT Subject Area Tests: Class of 2014 Mean Scores**

|              | <b>Number of Test Takers</b> | <b>New Hope-Solebury HS</b> |
|--------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| U.S. History | 18                           | 669                         |
| Math Level 1 | 9                            | 644                         |
| Math Level 2 | 10                           | 715                         |
| Chemistry    | 9                            | 733                         |
| Literature   | 8                            | 675                         |
| Biology M    | 10                           | 674                         |

**Recent College & University Acceptances**

Albright College  
 American University  
 Boston University  
 Brown University  
 Bryn Mawr College  
 Bucknell University  
 Carleton College  
 Case Western Reserve Univ.  
 Drexel University  
 Elon University  
 Emory University  
 George Mason University

High Point University  
 Indiana University of Penn.  
 James Madison University  
 Johnson & Wales Univ.  
 Kutztown University  
 Lafayette College  
 Liberty University  
 Manhattan College  
 Marist College  
 Miami University, Oxford  
 Mount Holyoke College

Mount Saint Mary's Univ.  
 New York University  
 Northeastern University  
 Oberlin College  
 Pennsylvania State Univ.  
 Rider University  
 Roanoke College  
 Saint Joseph's University  
 Sarah Lawrence College  
 Skidmore College  
 Temple University

Texas Tech University  
 Towson University  
 UCLA—Berkeley  
 University of Delaware  
 University of Florida  
 University of Pennsylvania  
 University of Pittsburgh  
 University of Rhode Island  
 University of South Florida  
 University of Utah  
 University of Virginia