

Philadelphia

1 Bartram

Principal: Constance McAlister
Points of pride: JROTC; firefighter academy; Principal's Honor Academy.
School tradition: Mister and Miss Bartram contest.

2 Bodine

Principal: Ann B. Gardiner
Points of pride: International Baccalaureate; Advanced Placement courses, including information technology for a global society; four-year sequences in Chinese, French and Spanish, Latin I and II; electives including international film, international development, Asian studies, Japanese studies, African American literature, Web page design, psychology and logic, and journalism.
School tradition: International Day, with ethnic and multicultural workshops, student-produced assemblies and an outdoor festival.

3 Carroll

Principal: Joyce A. Hoog
Points of pride: All students 9-11 are given the opportunity to take the PSAT; all students grades 9-12 have a mentor on staff; National Honor Society.
School tradition: Roller-skating after the PSSAs; quarterly breakfast or luncheon for students making the honor roll.

4 Carver

Principal: Linda Ahmed
Points of pride: A four-year college-prep program with nearly 100 percent college acceptance; curricular and instructional focus on engineering, science, mathematics and computer science; an array of extracurricular offerings.
School tradition: College fair, career day (sponsored by Turner Construction Co.), Spirit Fest.

5 Central

Principal: Sheldon Pavel
Points of pride: Achievements of students have remained constant; international acclaim in science; music performed around the world; 36 athletic championships in four years; overall commitment to academics, aesthetics, and athletics.
School tradition: Woman's, career and international days and multicultural week all celebrate the diversity of the school and educate students, staff, alumni and parents on the smallness of the world.

6 Communications

Principal: Barbara McCreery
Points of pride: Criteria-based, citywide high school offering commercial photography, graphic design, and TV production; boys' varsity basketball went to city and state playoffs in its first year.
School tradition: Alumni day on the eve of Thanksgiving.

7 Creative and Performing Arts

Principal: Johnny C. Whaley Jr.
Points of pride: Premier high school offering college-prep program with intense instruction in dance, theater, instrumental music, vocal music, visual arts, and creative writing; recognition upon becoming an all-Steinway school.
School tradition: Annual spring musical incorporating the efforts of a full cast, orchestra, chorus, costumes, involving 250 students.

8 Edison

Principal: Jose E. Lebron
Points of pride: Top AP Spanish scores; active parents association and Parent Patrol; award-winning vocational programs; model multicultural bilingual program.
School tradition: Annual Memorial Day tribute to the many Edison students who have served in the armed forces (Edison lost more than 60 graduates in the Vietnam War, believed to be more than from any other high school in the United States).

9 Fels

Principal: Gregory Hailey
Points of pride: Night of the arts; multicultural festival; Asian club; chess club.

10 FitzSimons: Did not respond.

11 Frankford

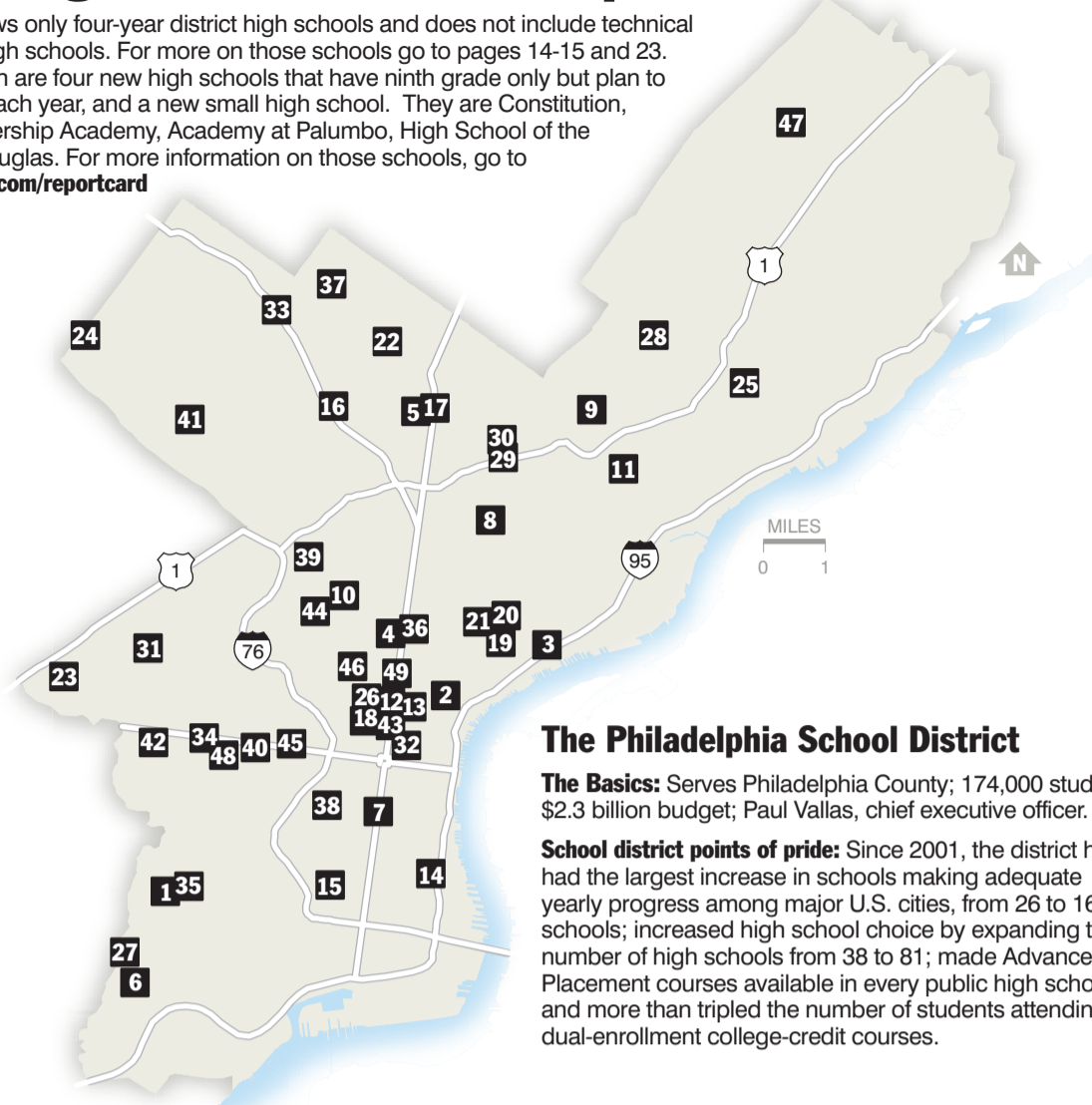
Principal: Richard E. Mantell
Points of pride: Two Merit Scholarship letters of commendation; writer's guild, which is publishing its second book; \$900,000 in scholarships to culinary students; successful interscholastic athletics; mosaic arts; Project Lead the Way.
School tradition: Pioneer Award Celebration honors a nationally recognized alumnus; Thanksgiving football game against neighborhood rival North Catholic.

12 Franklin

Principal: Christopher S. Johnson
Points of pride: Academic focus on international studies is affecting student achievement, with increased participation in Advanced Placement courses, National History Day and foreign language study.

Public high schools in Philadelphia

This map shows only four-year district high schools and does not include technical and charter high schools. For more on those schools go to pages 14-15 and 23. Also not shown are four new high schools that have ninth grade only but plan to add a grade each year, and a new small high school. They are Constitution, Science Leadership Academy, Academy at Palumbo, High School of the Future and Douglas. For more information on those schools, go to <http://go.philly.com/reportcard>



The Philadelphia School District

The Basics: Serves Philadelphia County; 174,000 students; \$2.3 billion budget; Paul Vallas, chief executive officer.

School district points of pride: Since 2001, the district has had the largest increase in schools making adequate yearly progress among major U.S. cities, from 26 to 166 schools; increased high school choice by expanding the number of high schools from 38 to 81; made Advanced Placement courses available in every public high school; and more than tripled the number of students attending dual-enrollment college-credit courses.

School tradition: Homecoming at the Thanksgiving football game; water station for the Broad Street Run.

13 Franklin Learning

Principal: Charles C. Staniskis
Points of pride: National secondary-school recognition; AP and SAT prep courses; gifted program; internships in industry for seniors; dual-credit courses; mock trial finalist; Public League boys' and girls' basketball championships.
School tradition: Talent shows.

14 Furness

Principal: Hiromi Hernandez
Points of pride: Strong PSSA writing scores. **School tradition:** Annual Diversity Week culminates in Multicultural Fair extravaganza.

15 GAMP

Principal: Angelo F. Milicia
Points of pride: Highly successful magnet school that exceeds the state standards for adequate yearly progress; diverse population; unique college-prep program integrates voice, instrumental, music theory and music technology.
School tradition: Winter and spring concerts and annual musical production.

16 Germantown

Principal: Rose Ford
Points of pride: Sixty-five percent of the senior class goes on to postsecondary education; best-practices commendation; recipient of Verizon Business Venture Award.
School tradition: Homecoming for alumni, current students and their families, and community representatives.

17 Girls

Principal: Geraldine H. Myles
Points of pride: Outstanding academic opportunities, including AP courses; top-notch art program; myriad sports and cultural endeavors; safe environment.
School tradition: Annual county fair fund-raiser; annual competition between the Gold and Blue teams.

18 Gratz

Principal: Delores W. Williams
Points of pride: Student academic achievement; one of city high schools to make annual yearly progress toward No Child Left Behind goals; excellence in athletics.
School tradition: Classic Thanksgiving Day football game.

19 Kensington CAPA

Principal: Adele Pride
Points of pride: Partnerships with the Knight Foundation, Musicopia, Young Playwrights, and clay studio; City year of service; mural projects; affiliated with Champions of Caring and the Character in Education Grant.
School tradition: Spirit Week; talent show; winter concert; faculty and student arts showcase; honor roll assemblies.

20 Kensington Culinary

Principal: Reuben L. Yarnus
Points of pride: Small, safe, supportive, personalized college- and career-prep learning environment with a focus on culinary arts, technology and character education.
School tradition: Career day; Careers Through Culinary Arts Program competitions; college and career fair.

21 Kensington International Business

Principal: Eileen Maicon Weissman
Points of pride: Burgeoning business program, including a plan for an in-school bank branch managed by students; school exemplifies relationships, respect, rigor and relationships.
School tradition: Annual International Day in May; annual junior/senior prom.

22 King

Principal: Jane C. Adams
Points of pride: Mural arts program; Job Resource Development Center.
School tradition: Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service Signature Site.

23 Lambertson

Principal: Darlene E. Tolbert
Points of pride: Academic team; National Honor Society; Advanced Placement classes; 24 Book Challenge.
School tradition: Annual blood drive exemplifies school's spirit of service; annual mock trial competition.

24 Lankenau

Principal: Jacqueline M. Bentley
Points of pride: Strong college-bound program; many visits to colleges; dual enrollment; strong Home and School Association.
School tradition: Every senior is accepted into college by May 1. The school celebrates this.

25 Lincoln

Principal: Donald C. Donley
Points of pride: Flower Show exhibits and awards; band and choir performances at city, state and national venues; AP and dual-credit programs; Big Brother/Big Sister; Variety Club after-school program.
School tradition: Harvest fair; winter and spring musicals; Thanksgiving Day football game.

26 Masterman

Principal: Marjorie G. Neff
Points of pride: Nationally ranked school; 10 percent of '07 class are National Merit finalists, 10 percent received National Merit commendation; 100 percent of students accepted to four-year colleges.
School tradition: Fully staged musical involving 25 percent of school's students.

27 Motivation

Principal: Yvonne J. Jones
Points of pride: 55 percent of students scoring proficient or above in reading and math, and 100 percent graduation rate in 2005-06, with attendance at 90 percent.
School tradition: Move-up Day every June.

28 Northeast

Principal: Linda Carroll
Points of pride: The academic and artistic accomplishments of the students; International Baccalaureate program; the Magnet Aerospace Program's flight simulation is unique; fifth-oldest school in the country.
School tradition: Thanksgiving Day football game against Central High, one of the oldest rivalries in the country with thousands of alumni in attendance.

29 Olney East

Principal: Newton Brown 3d
Points of pride: The school is moving toward partnership programs with two- and four-year college programs; developing business, health, and construction technology programs.
School tradition: A strong career, trades,

and college awareness program.

30 Olney West

Principal: Rita J. Hardy
Points of pride: It is proud of its resilience. Environmentalthon Reward Recipient; Student Voices award; Stock Market Game regional winner; competitive chess team; multicultural murals, and more.
School tradition: Thanksgiving Day football game.

31 Overbrook

Principal: Ethelyn Payne Young
Points of pride: Robotics team — third straight year competing at nationals in Alabama; mock trial team won city, state championships for more than 15 years; Panther Peace Corps student-run anti-violence group focused on mediation and hallway supervision.
School tradition: Annual "Day of Excellence" celebrates all students who excel academically.

32 Parkway-Center City

Principal: Catherine Blunt
Points of pride: Adequate yearly progress under No Child Left Behind for three consecutive years; 90-plus percent enrollment in college; 90-plus percent daily attendance; use of the community as part of the educational program; appreciation of a diverse population.
School tradition: Alumni Day homecoming tradition of graduates returning to mentor students about college expectations and "habits of success."

33 Parkway-Northwest

Principal: Ethyl McGee
Points of pride: Participated in Women's History Oratorical; second place Black History Oratorical Contest winner; Philadelphia Young Playwrights first-prize winner; mock trial; Jubilee Club; schoolwide recycling; National Vocabulary Championship.
School tradition: Winter Elegance celebration before the Christmas holiday.

34 Parkway-West

Principal: Gloria Pelzer
Points of pride: Met Adequate yearly progress under No Child Left Behind; 98 percent of graduates go on to higher education; increased learning options for students with Philadelphia Academies Urban Education Program, California University of Pennsylvania dual enrollment, Cobbs Creek Community Environmental Educational Center; community service.
School tradition: Winter Nonviolence Conference.

35 Philadelphia Business & Tech

Principal: Samuel Gottlieb
Points of pride: 100 percent proficient in PSSA writing; made adequate yearly progress in 2006; internships at Center City law firms.
School tradition: Freshman/Senior Buddy Day.

36 Philadelphia Military at Elverson

Principal: Robert Manning
Points of pride: Partnerships with Temple and Drexel Universities, Valley Forge Military Academy; robotics; drill teams; color guard; drum line; Dragon Boat racing; archery; Spanish and Greek clubs; varsity and junior-varsity sports; satellite tracking; entrepreneurship program; conflict resolution; weightlifting; chess club.
School tradition: Military Ball that the cadets citywide attend.

37 Philadelphia Military at Leeds

Principal: Ozzie Wright
Points of pride: First Junior ROTC military academy in the district; college-prep school geared toward college with the option of entering military; teachers are certified and highly qualified in their subject area.
School tradition: West Point Military Service and Science Jamboree.

38 Pierce: Did not respond

39 Rhodes

Principal: Linda Wayman
Points of pride: All-girls' school with first class graduating in June; four excellent institutes: architecture, urban education, science and business; AP biology and AP chemistry; part of the Young Women Leadership School network.

40 Robeson Human Services

Principal: John I. Council
Points of pride: Classrooms of the Future grant recipient; university partnership unveiling of new mission statement.
School tradition: School Spirit Week spring fair.

41 Roxborough

Principal: Rebecca Mitchell
Points of pride: Local TV station internship; entrepreneurship partnership with University of Pennsylvania; school newspaper a powwow; Peer Group Connection (seniors and freshmen) with Princeton University; Inspired Expressions multidisciplinary award.
School tradition: Holiday choir performance; JROTC canned food drive; Toys for Tots drive; student government-Red Cross blood drive; talent and fashion show.

42 Sayre

Principal: Joseph M. Starinieri
Points of pride: Partnerships with the University of Pennsylvania and Project Grad with mentoring to encourage students to remain focused on their studies.
School tradition: Annual career day, workers from all walks of life sharing their experiences with the student body.

43 South Philadelphia

Principal: Alice Heller
Points of pride: Celebrations of a diverse population, such as an annual Asian New Year performance and luncheon; JROTC; perpetually playoff-bound soccer and basketball teams; award-winning cheerleading squad; school-day and extracurricular programming and activities.
School tradition: Southern Pride Day Philadelphia Cares Day.

44 Strawberry Mansion

Principal: Lois Powell Mondesire
Points of pride: Dramatic increases in PSSA scores over last five years; professional-caliber drum line; school orchestra; competitive teen court program; varsity basketball champion team; new culinary arts program.
School tradition: Grandparents' Day celebration honoring senior citizen with food and entertainment; honor banquet celebrating achievers.

45 University City

Principal: Anthony Irvin
Points of pride: Did not respond

46 Vaux

Principal: Sandra Ruffin-Pearson
Points of pride: Small high school near Center City; successful chess team; standout varsity boys' basketball team; high-quality instructional program; many extracurricular opportunities; drama club; drum line.
School tradition: "Decorate your lunchroom table" day in February, attended by parents.

47 Washington

Principal: Kathy Pizzimenti-Murphy
Points of pride: Academic achievement; award-winning athletic programs; multicultural environment; Shakespeare oratorical contest; robotics; Young Playwrights; Presidential Classroom physics bowl; science fair finalists; black history oratorical contest.
School tradition: Biannual multicultural extravaganza showcasing students displaying their cultural heritage with flags and a fashion show.

48 West Philadelphia

Principal: Ernestine Caldwell, acting
Points of pride: Ozzie Wright, temporary administrator for climate and safety.
Points of pride: Improved reading PSSA scores.
School tradition: Annual spring show allows the entire community to showcase talents.

49 William Penn

Principal: Patricia Randzo
Points of pride: Wireless Internet access; 20 fully equipped computer labs; functioning greenhouse with computer technology; two gymnasiums; an Olympic sized pool with a diving pool; professional television studio; two professional arts studios; weight room; dance studio.
School tradition: Spirit Day every June celebrates student promotion to the next grade level.