

PENNCREST HIGH SCHOOL

Rose Tree Media School District

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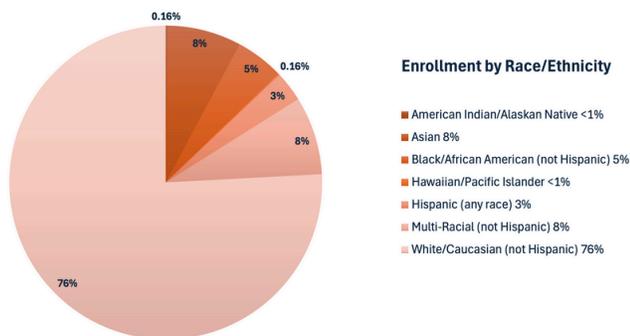
School Profile 2024-2025

Penncrest High School is a four-year, comprehensive public high school in suburban Delaware County, PA that emphasizes academic rigor in a collaborative, project-based learning environment. Penncrest’s progressive programming prepares students to be productive, mindful, and ethical world citizens.

School Information

Total Enrollment: 1,250	Senior Class: 334
Economically Disadvantaged: 19%	Periods Per Day: 8
Class Periods: 41/47 minutes	Average Class Size: 22 students
MDY Submission: Jan 31, 2025	Graduation: June 6, 2025

Twice a week students have the opportunity to meet with teachers during an Intervention/Extension period, making the other classes 41 minutes. Final exams are given at the conclusion of the second semester.



Community Highlights

Rose Tree Media School District is located 14 miles west of Philadelphia, PA and serves the communities of Edgmont, Middletown, and Upper Providence Townships as well as the Borough of Media. Named one of the most desirable places to live, “Everybody’s Hometown” is experiencing rapid cultural, social, and economic diversification and growth. Community members are employed in the fields of business, education, and other professional occupations. Rich in the performing arts and encompassing Ridley Creek State Park, cultural and recreational opportunities abound for our families.

Graduation Requirements

Requirement	Credits	Notes
English	4.0	A minimum of 26 credits are required to graduate. *Students need one course of a world language through the second consecutive level.
Mathematics	3.0	
Science	3.0	
Social Studies	3.5	
World Language	1.0*	
Electives	8.0	
Health & Physical Education	1.5	
Service & Career Readiness	2.0	

Activities & Accolades

- With over 65 clubs, athletic programs, and honor societies, Penncrest students engage in the community beyond the classroom environment. Highlights include:**
- The *Gryphon*, PHS’s student-run literary magazine, ranked Superior in the 2023 NTCE Recognizing Excellence in Art and Literary Magazines (REALM) program and earned the Keystone Award for best literary magazine in PA in 2022.
 - Men’s Cross Country won Back-to-Back Central League Championships.
 - PHS Envirothon team’s commitment to environmental issues and natural resource conservation earned them 23 consecutive County Championships. They were named State Champions/2nd in the nation in 2023.
 - Women’s Lacrosse was PIAA state semifinalists in 2023 and 2024.

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Administration

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| Dr. Joseph Meloche, Superintendent | Mr. David Reimschuessel, Assistant Principal |
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| Mr. Edward Roth, Principal | Mr. David Stango, Principal, Simon Youth Academy |
| Mr. Joseph Fuhr, Assistant Principal | Mr. Charles Olinger, Athletic Director |

PHS Curriculum & Grading Scale

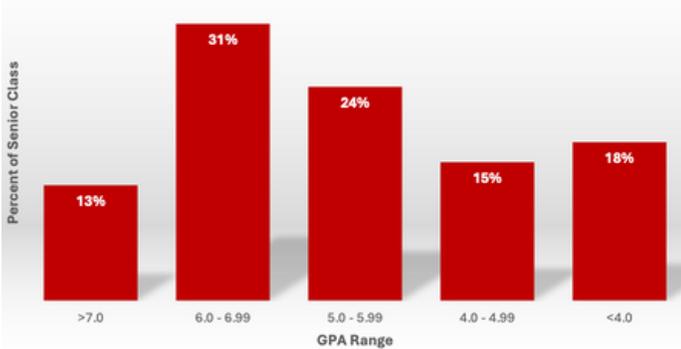
Grading Scale

As an academically competitive environment, Penncrest does not rank our students. Cumulative unweighted and weighted GPAs are calculated at the close of each school year and reported on the student's transcript. Unweighted GPA includes all grades on a 4.0 scale, ranging from 4.33 (A+) to 0 (E, no credit earned). For the classes of 2025 and 2026, additional quality points are awarded to core courses using the following calculations based on the rigor of the class: Advanced Placement (3.5), Accelerated (3.0), Honors (2.0), and College Preparatory (1.0). For the class of 2027 and beyond, class level offerings will change and weight will be added to Advanced Placement (1.0) and Honors (.5) courses.

Class Level	A+	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D+	D	D-	E
AP	7.83	7.5	7.16	6.83	6.5	6.16	5.83	5.5	5.16	4.83	4.5	4.16	0
Accelerated	7.33	7	6.66	6.33	6	5.66	5.33	5	4.66	4.33	4	3.66	0
Honors	6.33	6	5.66	5.33	5	4.66	4.33	4	3.66	3.33	3	2.66	0
College Prep	5.33	5	4.66	4.33	4	3.66	3.33	3	2.66	2.33	2	1.66	0
Adapted	4.33	4	3.66	3.33	3	2.66	2.33	2	1.66	1.33	1	0.66	0
Class of 2027 and Beyond													
Class Level	A+	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D+	D	D-	E
AP	5.33	5	4.66	4.33	4	3.66	3.33	3	2.66	2.33	2	1.66	0
Honors	4.83	4.5	4.16	3.83	3.5	3.16	2.83	2.5	2.16	1.83	1.5	1.16	0
Standard	4.33	4	3.66	3.33	3	2.66	2.33	2	1.66	1.33	1	0.66	0

Grade Distribution: Class of 2025

Weighted GPA Distribution



Rigorous Course Offerings

Advanced Placement 28

African American Studies // Biology // Calculus AB // Calculus BC // Chemistry // Chinese Language // Computer Science A // Computer Science Principles // Drawing // English Language & Composition // English Literature & Composition // Environmental Science // European History // French Language & Culture // Macroeconomics // Microeconomics // Music Theory // Precalculus // Physics 1: Algebra-Based // Physics C: Mechanics // Physics C: Electricity & Magnetism // Psychology // Research // Seminar // Spanish Language & Culture // Statistics // US Government & Politics // US History

AP/Accelerated Distribution

In 2024, 372 students took 860 exams, with 83% of students earning a score of 3 or better. Students are expected to sit for the AP exam if enrolled in an AP course. Through 2026, Penncrest offers 37 accelerated courses.

Class of 2025	Average taken through 12 th Grade	% enrolled in at least one course by senior year
AP Courses	3.57	60%
Accelerated Courses	6.84	80%

National Merit Scholar Recognition and AP Distinctions

National Merit Semifinalists	4
National Merit Commended Students.....	15
National Recognition Program Awardees.....	12
AP Capstone Diplomas.....	10
AP Scholars with Distinction.....	61
AP Scholars with Honor.....	25
AP Scholars.....	59

Special Programs

Delaware County Technical Schools (DCTS): Students in grades 10-12 have the opportunity to attend our Career and Technical Education Center for half of the school day to receive hands-on experiences and earn industry certifications one of the following programming areas: Health and Biosciences; Engineering and Computer Science; Logistics, Distribution and Transportation; Hospitality, Tourism and Human Services; Construction Technology.

Medical Careers: A selective senior-only program through DCTS which places students in hospital settings to participate in clinical observations, learn patient care skills, and take coursework in anatomy, pathology, and medical terminology.

Dual Enrollment: Academically-eligible students can enroll at Delaware County Community College with access to their full course offerings. Talented future educators participate in the Teacher Education Program at DCCC or the PRIZE Program with West Chester University.

Honor Societies: National Honor Society, National Art Honor Society, Science National Honor Society, Computer Science Honor Society, Rho Kappa National Social Studies Honor Society, Pi Lambda Sigma (English), Mu Alpha Theta (Mathematics), and World Language Honor Society.

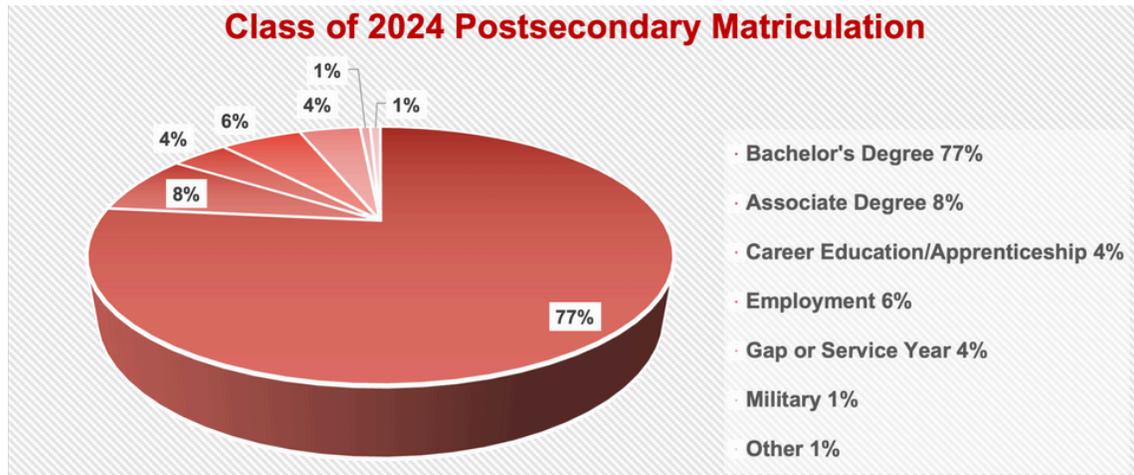
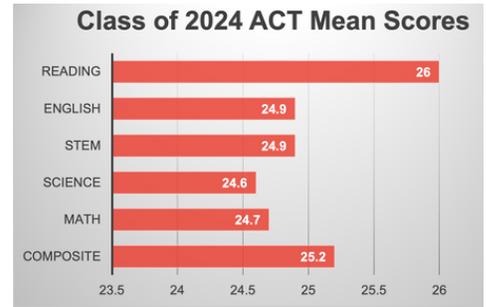
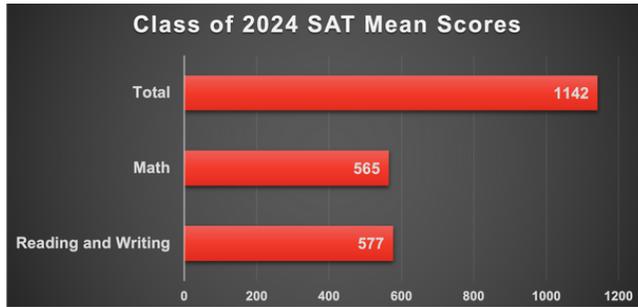
Simon Youth Academy - The Rose Tree Media Simon Youth Academy (RTM SYA) program gives students a chance to take charge of their educational experience. RTM SYA provides a non-traditional high school setting that gives students the same education they would receive in a traditional classroom, but in a flexible environment that emphasizes one-on-one learning, personalized support and small group sizes. The RTM SYA is located in Penncrest High School and is for recommended students that may benefit from a non-traditional high school setting.

Class of 2024: Postsecondary Matriculation & Test Score Data

PHS CLASS OF 2024

NUMBER OF SAT TEST TAKERS: 191

NUMBER OF ACT TEST TAKERS: 31



College Acceptances for the Class of 2024

Allegheny College
 Alvernia University
 American University
 Arcadia University
 Arizona State University-Tempe
 Auburn University
 Boston University
 Bridgewater College
 Brigham Young University
 Brown University
 Coastal Carolina University
 Colorado College
 Colorado State University
 Commonwealth University
 Delaware County Community College
 Delaware Valley University
 DeSales University
 Drexel University
 Duquesne University
 Elizabethtown College
 Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
 Endicott College
 Flagler College
 Florida State University
 Franklin and Marshall College
 George Mason University

Gettysburg College
 Immaculata University
 Indiana University-Bloomington
 Ithaca College
 King's College
 Kutztown University
 La Salle University
 Lafayette College
 Lehigh University
 Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College
 Messiah University
 Millersville University
 Monmouth University
 Morgan State University
 Mount Holyoke College
 Mount St. Mary's University
 Neumann University
 Neumont College of Computer Science
 New York University
 Northeastern University
 Oberlin College
 Ohio State University
 Pennsylvania State University, Altoona
 Pennsylvania State University, Berks

Pennsylvania State University, Brandywine
 Pennsylvania State University
 Purdue University
 Ramapo College of New Jersey
 Rutgers University-New Brunswick
 Sacred Heart University
 Saint Joseph's University
 Saint Michael's College
 Shippensburg University
 Stevenson University
 Stockton University
 Syracuse University
 Temple University
 Thaddeus Stevens College of Technology
 The Catholic University of America
 The College of the Florida Keys
 The George Washington University
 The Oberlin Conservatory of Music
 The University of Alabama
 The University of Tampa
 Thomas College
 Thomas Jefferson University
 Towson University
 University of California-Los Angeles

University of Central Florida
 University of Connecticut
 University of Delaware
 University of Florida
 University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
 University of Iowa
 University of Kentucky
 University of Maine
 University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
 University of Pennsylvania
 University of Pittsburgh, Johnstown
 University of Pittsburgh
 University of Richmond
 University of South Carolina-Columbia
 University of South Florida
 University of Virginia
 Ursinus College
 Villanova University
 Virginia Tech
 Wagner College
 West Chester University
 West Virginia University
 Widener University
 Williamson College of the Trades
 Worcester Polytechnic Institute