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SUSSEX ACADEMY

A public charter, tuition free school serving grades K-12

2000

Sussex Academy originated as Sussex Academy of Arts and Sciences as a middle school serving grades 6-8.

2012

A major charter modification was approved by the Delaware Department of Education to add a high school serving grades 9-12.

2013

The school name was changed to Sussex Academy and grade 9 was enrolled.

2017

A high school grade was added each year until the 2016-2017 school year, when the high school was complete.

2020

A major charter modification was approved by the Delaware Department of Education to add an elementary school serving grades K-5.

Sussex Academy campuses are centrally located in rural Georgetown, Delaware in Sussex County.



Overview

- There are 1080 students in grades K-12
- May 2019 Sussex Academy was ranked the 4th high school in Delaware by the US News and World Report on National High School Rankings
- Applications are accepted online (schoolchoicede.org/Apply/SussexAcademy) from November-January
- Admission for grades (K-12) is through a lottery held in January each year
- There is a yearly activity fee that covers technology, clubs, yearbooks and more
- Sussex Academy students are required to wear school uniforms

Mission

The mission of the Sussex Academy is to foster academic achievement and social responsibility in a small school environment where students participate in an highly accelerated college preparatory program that prepares them for the technological and global mindedness needed for the 21st century and that instills ethical conduct and service to others in their day-to-day lives.

Vision

Our vision is to cultivate students of distinction by providing them with the knowledge, skills, and values to become successful, productive citizens.

Goals

- Maintain high academic performance
- Foster critical, independent thinking, and reflection
- Ensure a safe, respectful school environment
- Advocate personal growth and responsibility
- Provide opportunities for individual and group success
- Model and encourage collaborative decision making
- Facilitate ongoing professional development
- Encourage parental involvement and partnerships
- Promote service and community partnerships
- Instill environmental awareness and social consciousness
- Develop technological competence

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School Culture

Keep it REAL

Be present, be authentic, be honest, know your actions, be the change that makes us all one in this world.

Be RESPECTFUL

Be open-minded, be kind, treat others with kindness, check your ego at the door, be aware, be engaged, don't talk while others are talking.

Value RELATIONSHIPS

Build bridges – don't burn them, don't take things personally, be empathetic, be compassionate, pay it forward.

SUSSEX ACADEMY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

World Language

SAES students will take part in a Spanish Biliteracy program integrated within the ReadyGen program. "The Biliteracy Pathway offers a unique instructional delivery that enables students to develop high levels of proficiency in Spanish and English". (Ready Gen program overview)

Environmental Science

Environmental education at SAES is taught to students in kindergarten through 5th-grade. The class is once a week throughout the year. Environment-based education involves students in a rigorous approach to learning while developing love and respect for nature through outdoor experiences.

Community Service

Elementary students will be exposed to whole school community service projects throughout the year.

Clubs

The elementary students participate in a variety of after school clubs and activities.

SUSSEX ACADEMY MIDDLE SCHOOL

World Language

A 9-week Spanish exploratory will be offered in 6th grade and a 9-week French exploratory will be offered in 7th grade. Students in 8th grade will take a full year of either Spanish or French.

Clubs/Extra Curricular Activities

Sussex Academy middle school students participate in clubs during school hours. Chorus, band and theatre are offered after school. There is one theater production and two chorus/band concerts each year. Middle school students also participate in school dances, field trips and "reward" events. Sussex Academy eighth graders learn etiquette and ballroom dancing and attend a formal luncheon at the end of the year.

Community Service

Middle school students are required to conduct 10 hours of community service per school year.

Athletics

Middle School Boys: Soccer, Lacrosse, Cross Country, Baseball, and Basketball

Middle School Girls: Volleyball, Cross Country, Field Hockey, Basketball, Softball and Soccer

SUSSEX ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL

World Language

Spanish is offered for each high school grade. Currently French I & II are being offered and additional levels will be phased in up to eventually offering IB French. The DE State requirement is that all high school students take two years of the same language.

International Baccalaureate (IB) Program

Sussex Academy became an Authorized International Baccalaureate World School in March 2015. IB courses and IB Diploma Program are offered to students in grades 11 and 12. The two-year IB curriculum is a rigorous and intellectually coherent program that encourages critical thinking. Students participate in community service, individual research and an inquiry into the nature of knowledge. The IB Program is widely recognized by the world's leading colleges and universities.

Community Service

In 9th grade students begin work on a four-year service project. Rising 11th and 12th grade students are required to log community service hours. IB Diploma Candidates are required to complete a CAS (Community, Activity, Service) project.

Athletics

High School Boys: Soccer, Cross Country, Basketball, Baseball, Swimming, Lacrosse, Tennis, Golf, Indoor Track & Field, Spring Track & Field

High School Girls: Volleyball, Cross Country, Lacrosse, Field Hockey, Basketball, Swimming, Tennis, Soccer, Softball, Golf, Indoor Track & Field, Spring Track & Field

Clubs/Extra Curricular Activities

Sussex Academy high school students participate in school clubs during activity period, fieldtrips, dances, prom, and homecoming. Chorus, band and theatre are also available with two chorus/band concerts and two theatre productions each year.

Grading Scale

Letter Grade	Numeric Grade	Quality Points for GPA Calculation
A+	97-100	4.3
A	93-96	4.0
A-	90-92	3.7
B+	87-89	3.3
B	83-86	3.0
B-	80-82	2.7
C+	77-79	2.3
C	73-76	2.0
C-	70-72	1.7
D	65-69	1.0
F	64 & Below	0