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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

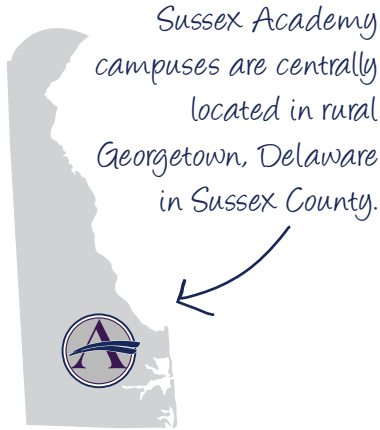
The school name was changed to Sussex Academy and grade 9 was enrolled.

2017

A high school grade was added each year until the 2016-2017 school year when Sussex Academy had its first graduating class.

2020

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



Overview

- There are 1161 students in grades K-12
- May 2022 Sussex Academy was ranked the 4th high school in Delaware by the US News and World Report on National High School Rankings and still maintains this status
- Applications are accepted online (schoolchoicede.org/Apply/SussexAcademy) from November-January
- Admission for grades K-11 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.

Charter 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

Exploratories

All K-5 students will participate in various exploratories throughout the school year which include physical education, health, visual arts, performing arts, and Spanish.

Community Service

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

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.

Clubs

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

SUSSEX ACADEMY MIDDLE SCHOOL

Exploratories

Students in grades 6-8 will participate in various exploratories throughout the school year to include Physical Education/Health, Visual Arts, Performing Arts, Environmental Sciences and other STEM-related courses.

Advisory

Students in grades 6-8 will engage in a daily Advisory period. Advisory is dedicated to support students in their rigorous academic work. Students can spend time re-taking an assessment, receive additional support from a teacher in a content area in which they need additional support, or meet with the school counselor

Athletics

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

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

Clubs/Extra Curricular Activities

Sussex Academy middle school students participate in clubs during school year. Band and theatre are offered after school. Middle school students also participate in school dances, field trips and "reward" events. Students in 8th grade learn etiquette and take dance lessons to prepare for an end of year formal luncheon.

SUSSEX ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL

World Language

Spanish is offered for each high school grade, including AP Spanish. The DE State graduation requirement is that all high school students take two years of the same language.

Senior Service Project

In 9th grade students begin work on a four-year research and service project.

Athletics

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

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

Clubs/Extra Curricular Activities

Club participation is available to high school students. Some clubs meet on Friday's, during our advisory time. Some clubs are dedicated to after-school time. Field trips, dances, homecoming, prom, band and theatre are also available.

Advisory

Students in grades 9-12 will engage in a daily Advisory period. Monday's are dedicated to school-wide messages. Tuesday - Thursday, students can get signed out to re-take an assessment, receive additional support from a teacher or meet with a school counselor/advisor.

DUAL ENROLLMENT AND ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES

Sussex Academy offers 16 different Advanced Placement Courses and has Dual Enrollment partnerships with the University of Delaware and Delaware Technical & Community College.