

**PROFILE OF THE CLASS OF
2017**

TOTAL GRADUATES - 542

FACULTY SCHOLARS - 163

GPA OF 4.00 weighted or 3.75 unweighted

TESTING

NATIONAL MERIT/ACHIEVEMENT

Commended - 21 Semi-Finalist - 18 Finalist - 13

PSAT	ERW	Math	Writing
	583	582	N/A

SAT	ERW	Math	Writing
SCASD	600	600	N/A

STATE	540	533	N/A
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NATIONAL	538	533	N/A
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POST HIGH SCHOOL PLANS

COLLEGE, VOCATIONAL, EMPLOYMENT

4 year colleges - 74%

2 year colleges - 4%

TOP SCHOOLS OF CHOICE*

2017

SCHOOL	APP	ACC	ATT
Penn State University	374	344	238
University of Pittsburgh	42	26	5
Lock Haven University of PA	31	21	9
Indiana University of PA	28	22	11
Cornell University	24	3	3
University of Pennsylvania	23	3	2
Carnegie Mellon University	21	6	4
Pennsylvania College of Technology	19	15	8
University of Michigan	19	14	1
West Chester University of PA	16	9	1
Slippery Rock University	16	12	2
Northwestern University	16	3	1
New York University	15	7	2
University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill	13	0	0
Temple University	13	10	2
Bloomsburg University of PA	13	9	2
Columbia University	12	0	0
Indiana University @ Bloomington	12	8	2
Kent State University	12	8	0
Robert Morris University	12	9	0
Susquehanna University	11	9	2
Princeton University	11	1	1
Juniata College	11	10	3

*Data is selected from the 330 schools where students sent applications.

**STATE COLLEGE AREA HIGH
SCHOOL DIRECTORY**

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Mr. Brett Wilson • Dean of Students, Grade 11

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Ms. Jacquelyn Martin • Director of Curriculum

Counselors for the Class of 2021

Ms. Tanya Anderson & Ms. Suzanne Lyke

Counselors for the Class of 2020

Ms. Patricia Devecka & Mr. Dave Eckberg

Counselors for the Class of 2019

Mr. Jack McCurdy & Mr. Steve Guthoff

Counselors for the Class of 2018

Mr. Paul Brigman & Ms. Bethany Chamberlain

Head Counselor, Grades 9-12

Ms. Susan Marshall

Ms. Sheila Abruzzo

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2017-2018

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STATE COLLEGE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

COMMUNITY AND HIGH SCHOOL

COMMUNITY

State College, home to about 42,000 permanent residents comprises part of the largest metropolitan area in Centre County.

Located in the center of Pennsylvania, the borough and adjacent townships form the State College Area School District and Centre Region, a vibrant community fueled by Penn State. With 46,000 undergraduate and graduate students at its University Park campus in State College, the university serves as an economic engine, employing the most residents, supporting scientific and high-tech industries and helping make the area a regional retail hub.

Though it's growing, State College remains at heart a small college town with downtown shops, tree-lined streets and tranquil parks. Minutes from town lie working farms, state forests and mountains. Sports are popular, but a wealth of cultural opportunities—from classical music concerts to Broadway shows—exist for a diverse population representing a variety of academic, scientific, medical, artistic, commercial and agricultural occupations.

THE HIGH SCHOOL

- Four year public school
- Comprehensive curriculum: academic and vocational-technical
- Enrollment of grades 9 - 12 is 2,296

ACCREDITATION

- Pennsylvania Department of Education

AWARDS

- U.S. News & World Report Silver Medal
- Siemans AP High School Award for the highest test averages in Pennsylvania on exams in Math, Science and Computer Science
- Ranked fifteenth best college town by Niche in 2017
- NAMM Foundation named State College as a "Best Community for Music Education"
- PMEA All-State and All-Eastern 100 best high schools for Music and Grammy Awards
- Grammy Signature School Award Semifinalist 2014

GRADING SYSTEM GPA GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

GPA is computed according to the scale below. One extra credit point is added for each AP and Advanced course completed. **Class rank is not on the transcript.**

Letter	%	Credit Points
A	90-100	4
B	80-89	3
C	70-79	2
D	60-69	1
E	59 & below	0

In 2017, 432 students took 878 AP tests.

87% of the tests taken scored a 3 or higher.

31% (272 students) scored a 5

31% (272 students) scored a 4

25% (214 students) scored a 3

23 National AP Scholar Students

Total Scholars = 168 (avg. score of 4.24)

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

22.5 Credits are required for graduation.

Subject	Credits Required	Subject	Credits Required
English	4.00	Health	1.00
Social Studies	4.00	Physical Ed.	1.80
Science	3.00	Drivers Ed.	0.20
Math	3.00	Electives	5.50

STUDENT RECOGNITION

Students from State College Area High School have been recognized as:

- International Fringe Festival performers in Edinburgh Scotland
- National Shakespeare and Poetry Out Loud Competition Finalists
- USA National Linguistics Team Representative

National Awards:

- Presidential Scholar - 2012, 2014, 2017
- National Winner of 2010 Siemans Award for AP (Highest Scores in the Nation). Semifinalist-2012
- Ocean Science Bowl - National Runners - Up
- National Awards for DECA and TSA
- NCTE Achievement in Writing Award Winners
- Intel-Semifinalist
- Scholarship Art & Writing Gold Awards

AP AND ADVANCED COURSES

Adv. Algebra 2	Adv. Precalculus
Adv. Astronomy	Adv. Rock Ensemble
Adv. Band	Adv. Spanish 4
Adv. Biology 1	Adv. Strings
Adv. Botany	Adv. Topics in Math
Adv. Chemistry 1	Adv. World History 1
Adv. Chemistry 2	Adv. World History 2
Adv. Choir	Adv. Zoology
Adv. Computer Eng. Graphics	AP Art History
Adv. Earth Systems Science 1	AP Comparative Government
Adv. Economics	AP Computer Science
Adv. English 9	AP European History 1450
Adv. English 10	AP European History 1815
Adv. English 11	AP English Lang 11
Adv. French 4	AP English Lit 12
Adv. Genetics	AP French Language
Adv. Geology	AP German Language
Adv. Geometry	AP Government
Adv. German 4	AP Human Geography
Adv. Honors Precalculus	AP Calculus AB
Adv. Journalism 2	AP Calculus BC
Adv. Latin Lit. A	AP Music Theory
Adv. Latin Lit. B	AP Psychology
Adv. Meteorology	AP Physics 1+
Adv. Molecular and Cellular Bio	AP Physics C: M & EM
Adv. Nutrition	AP Spanish Language
Adv. Oceanography	AP Statistics
Adv. Photography	AP Studio Art
Adv. Physics 1 & AET	AP US History

DELTA PROGRAM ADVANCED COURSES

Adv. Anatomy & Physiology	Adv. Poets & Poetry 2
Adv. Anthropology	Adv. Psychology
Adv. Bioethics	Adv. Psychology 2
Adv. Biotechnology & Genetics	Adv. Sociology
Adv. Calculus	Adv. Topics in English 1
Adv. English Seminar 1	Adv. Topics in English 2
Adv. English Seminar 2	Adv. Topics in Social Studies 1
Adv. Poets & Poetry 1	Adv. Topics in Social Studies 2

CAREER & TECHNICAL CENTER ADVANCED COURSES

Adv. Accounting 1	Adv. Automotive Technology
Adv. Accounting 2	Adv. Net Cisco 1
Adv. Arch Draft & Design 3	Adv. Net Cisco 2
Adv. Arch Draft & Design 4	Adv. Engineering Technology
Adv. Building Const Tech	