

2020-2021 SCHOOL PROFILE

as of 9/14/2020


THE
LEHIGH VALLEY
CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL
FOR THE **ARTS**

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Charter Arts is located minutes away from historic downtown Bethlehem, in the heart of the Lehigh Valley. Located approximately 60 miles northeast of Philadelphia, the Lehigh Valley is home to many colleges and universities. A diversity of cultures and historic preservation are prominent features of the area. Charter Arts currently enrolls students from 44 surrounding area school districts and 10 counties.

Curriculum

Charter Arts offers a college preparatory curriculum which is designed to develop individual potential while meeting the entrance requirements of America's competitive colleges and universities. Our program of studies contains a full complement of college preparatory courses and each academic discipline offers honors level rigor. Advanced Placement (AP) courses are available in our English, Social Studies, Math, Science, Visual Art, Music, and World Language Departments. Additionally, Charter Arts students participate in a comprehensive artistic pre-professional program for three hours each day.

NATIONAL MERIT QUALIFIERS (Cumulative Statistics)		
Finalists (3)	Semi-Finalists (5)	Commended Students (7)
SAT SCORES (August 2019 - July 2020)		
(insufficient data due to COVID-19 test administration cancellations)		
Total Mean Score	N/A	
Evidenced-Based Reading & Writing	N/A	
Math	N/A	
GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS		
ENGLISH - 4 credits SOCIAL STUDIES - 4 credits MATH - 3 credits SCIENCE - 3 credits WORLD LANGUAGE - 2 credits Electives - 2 credits (non-artistic major) Seminar Series - P/F CHARTER ARTS ARTISTIC MAJOR - 16 credits (artistic credits are prorated for 10/11/12th grade transfer students) Community Service - 1 credit (60/45/30/15 hours based on years of attendance) Graduation Project P/F		

Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Arts
PA School Performance Profile Score

84.2

Class of 2020 - 146 Total Graduates
 52% attending a 4-year college/university
 16% attending a 2-year college/university
 8% attending a conservatory/professional/tech school program
 20% plan to seek full-time employment/gap year
 2% plan to enlist in a Military Branch

Student/Staff Population

Our total student enrollment is approximately 633 students with 38% of our students representing diverse backgrounds and 139 students in the current senior class. Of our 64 faculty members, 40% have advanced degrees. They share an average of 9 years of teaching experience. The current staff to student ratio is 1 to 9.8 (statistics reported as of 9/14/2020).

Student GPAs are not weighted and are based on a 4.00 scale.

Charter Arts provides decile rank (i.e. top 10%) to college/universities for our students in the college application process. Pass/Fail courses, as well as when a student withdraws from a course (WP or WF), are not factored into a student's GPA.

Modified Block Schedule: Charter Arts' schedule operates with the majority of their courses meeting every other day.

GRADING SCALE (effective for school years 17/18 and 18/19)						CURRENT GRADING SCALE (effective beginning in 19/20)								
100-97	(A+)	4.0-3.85		79-77	(C+)	2.4-2.2		100-97	(A+)	4.0		79-77	(C+)	2.3
96-93	(A)	3.8-3.65		76-73	(C)	2.1-1.8		96-93	(A)	4.0		76-73	(C)	2.0
92-90	(A-)	3.6-3.5		72-70	(C-)	1.7-1.5		92-90	(A-)	3.7		72-70	(C-)	1.7
89-87	(B+)	3.4-3.2		69-65	(D)	1.4-1.0		89-87	(B+)	3.3		69-67	(D+)	1.3
86-83	(B)	3.1-2.8		64-45	(F)	0		86-83	(B)	3.0		66-65	(D)	1.0
82-80	(B-)	2.7-2.5						82-80	(B-)	2.7		64-45	(F)	0

AP 5 YEAR SCORE SUMMARY (2016-2020) 90% of all AP students earning scores 3+

AP Test Subject Area	5	4	3	2	1	Total Exams
2D Art & Design	18	9	4	0	0	31
Art History	1	5	9	13	5	33
Biology	2	3	16	12	1	34
Calculus AB	2	3	16	15	20	56
Calculus BC	2	0	8	1	1	12
English Language & Composition	14	30	39	12	1	96
English Literature & Composition	9	21	27	5	0	62
Music Theory	15	17	36	12	1	81
Spanish Language & Culture	0	7	5	5	1	18
US Government & Politics	0	0	1	0	0	1
US History	5	11	32	18	11	77

Core Subject Course Offerings:

English	Found. of Reading & Writing (CP & Honors), Principles of Literary Analysis (CP & Honors), American Literature (CP & Honors), AP English Language & Composition, British Literature (CP & Honors), AP English Literature & Composition
Social Studies	Western Civilization (CP & Honors), US History I (CP & Honors), US History II (CP & Honors), AP US History, American Government (CP, Honors & AP), Psychology, Sociology, Contemporary World Issues
Math	Algebra 1 CP, Algebra 2 (CP & Honors), Geometry (CP & Honors), Algebra 3/Trigonometry CP, Pre-Calculus Honors, Statistic Honors, Calculus Honors, AP Calculus AB, AP Calculus BC, Personal Finance
Science	Biology (CP & Honors), Environmental Science (CP & Honors), Chemistry (CP & Honors), Physics (CP & Honors), Physics II, Anatomy & Physiology (CP & Honors), Astronomy, AP Biology
World Language	French (Foundations, Language & Culture, Connections, Communication & Intensive Practice) Spanish (Foundations, Language & Culture, Communications, Intensive Practice, AP Spanish Language & Culture*) Mandarin (Foundations, Language & Culture, Connections, Communications)
Seminar	ChARTS Seminar - Transitional Skills into High School Health & Wellness JR Seminar: Career & College Readiness

* AP Spanish Language & Culture will not be offered in 2020-2021 due to low enrollment.

Artistic Major Curriculum by Department Course Offerings:

Dance	Ballet Technique, Modern Technique, Early Dance History, Modern Dance History, Ballet History, Senior Dance Seminar, Improvisation 9/10, Composition 11/12, Jazz Technique, Pre-Pointe, Pointe, Conditioning, Dance Rehearsal & Performance
Instrumental & Vocal Music	Wind Ensemble, String Ensemble, Percussion Ensemble, Guitar Ensemble, Jazz Ensemble, Orchestra, Chamber Ensemble, Jazz/Modern Music Rep. Ensemble, Woodwind Technique, Percussion Technique, Strings Technique, Piano Technique, Guitar Technique, Brass Technique, Bass Technique, Vocal Technique(s): 9, 10, 11 & 12, 9/10 Choir, 11/12 Choir, Contemporary Music Ensemble, Treble Choir, Touring Choir, Foundations of Music Theory, Harmony in Practice, Harmony

	(Common Practice), Foundations of Musicianship, Harmony: Chromatic Vocabulary, Advanced Harmony, Composition & Arrangement, Composition & Songwriting, AP Music Theory, Music History: 20 th Century, Music History: Antiquity to Baroque, Music History: Classical, Music History: Romantic, Music Elective(s)
Literary Arts (courses in bold are available for Dual Enrolment)	Intro to Literary Genres, Intro to the Spoken Word, Character Development, Film Studies, Exploration of the Romantic Style , Communication & Media, Politics of the Written Word, Writing Workshop, Screenwriting, Modernism & Postmodernism , Children's Literature, Literary Arts Publications, Adv. Film Theory & Practice, Young Adult & Contemporary Literature, Literary Arts Senior Seminar
Production Arts	Elements and Principles of Design, Storytelling Performance, History of Design, Lighting and Stage Craft, Foundations of A&V Production, the Creative Process, Set & Costume Design Studio, Pathways in Production, Script Analysis, Director/Designer Collaboration, Production Management, Props and Adv Costume Design, Media Lab, Stagecraft Practicum
Theatre	Voice & Movement: Beginning & Advanced, Acting Fundamentals, Theatre History/Stagecraft, Theatre History 2, Acting I & II, Modern American Drama, Fundamentals of Directing, Advanced Acting, Theatre Seminar 12, Playwriting Structure
Visual Arts (courses in bold are available for Dual Enrolment)	2D Design Foundation, Composition & Color, Analytical Drawing, Anatomy & The Figure, Painting & Palette Control , 3D Design & Sculpture , Prof. Practices for Young Artists, Advanced Drawing & Painting Studio , Contract Art Studio, Art History 1: Eastern & Western Traditions, Art History 2: Renaissance to Modern, Art History 3: Architecture & Sculpture, AP Art History (open to all Artistic Majors), AP 2D Art & Design

REPRESENTATIVE LIST OF COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES ENROLLING CHARTER ARTS GRADUATES

Academy of the Arts (CA)	Hofstra University (NY)	Rensselaer Polytechnic Inst. (NY)
Adelphi University (NY)	Howard University (DC)	Rider University (NJ)
Albright College (PA)	Indiana University of PA (PA)	Rutgers University (NJ)
Amer. Acad. for Dramatics Arts (NY)	Ithaca College (NY)	Sarah Lawrence College (NY)
Arcadia University (PA)	Johns Hopkins University (MD)	Savannah Coll. of Art and Design (GA)
Ball State University (IN)	King's College (PA)	Shenandoah Conservatory (VA)
Bard College (NY)	Kutztown University (PA)	School of the Museum of Fine Arts (MA)
Bennington College (VT)	Lafayette College (PA)	Shippensburg University (PA)
Berklee College of Music (MA)	LaSalle University (PA)	Slippery Rock University (PA)
Bloomsburg University (PA)	Lebanon Valley College (PA)	St. John's University (NY)
Boston Conservatory (MA)	Lehigh University (PA)	St. Joseph's University (PA)
Boston University (MA)	Liberty University (VA)	State University of NY Purchase (NY)
Bowling Green State Univ. (OH)	Lock Haven University (PA)	Susquehanna University (PA)
Brigham Young Univ. (UT)	Long Island University (NY)	Syracuse University (NY)
Bryn Mawr College (PA)	Manhattan School of Music (NY)	Temple University (PA)
California Institute of the Arts (CA)	Mannes College of Music (NY)	The University of Hartford (CT)
Carnegie Mellon University (PA)	Mansfield University (PA)	Towson University (MD)
Cedar Crest College (PA)	Marist College (NY)	Tyler School of Art (PA)
Columbia College of Chicago (IL)	Maryland Institute of Art (MD)	University of California (CA)
Columbus Coll of Art & Design (OH)	Marymount Manhattan Coll. (NY)	University of Cincinnati (OH)
Cornell University (NY)	Massachusetts College of Art (MA)	University of Maryland (MD)
Delaware Valley College (PA)	Millersville University (PA)	University of Massachusetts (MA)
DeSales University (PA)	Montclair State University (NJ)	University of Michigan (MI)
Drew University (NJ)	Moravian College (PA)	University of North Carolina (NC)
Drexel University (PA)	Muhlenberg College (PA)	University of Pittsburgh (PA)
Duquesne University (PA)	New England Conservatory (MA)	University of Southern Florida (FL)
East Carolina University (NC)	New York University (NY)	University of the Arts (PA)
East Stroudsburg University (PA)	Northwestern University (IL)	University of Utah (UT)
Eastern University (PA)	Oberlin Conservatory of Music (OH)	University of Vermont (VT)
Elizabethtown College (PA)	Ohio State University (OH)	Ursinus College (PA)
Elon University (NC)	Ohio University (OH)	Vassar College (NY)
Emerson College (MA)	Oklahoma City University (OK)	Virginia Commonwealth Univ.(VA)
Fordham University (NY)	PA Academy of Fine Arts (PA)	Wagner College (NY)
George Mason University (VA)	Pace University (NY)	West Chester University (PA)
George Washington Univ. (DC)	Peabody Conservatory of Music (MA)	West Virginia University (WV)
	Penn State University (PA)	Westminster Choir College (NJ)
	Point Park University (PA)	
	Pratt Institute (PA)	