Columbus Academy

School Profile 2015-2016



Founded in 1911 as an early pioneer in the country day school model, Columbus Academy is a coeducational day school enrolling 1,082 students from Pre-Kindergarten to Grade 12. Academy offers a challenging liberal arts, college preparatory program. Located on a 231-acre campus nine miles northeast of Columbus, the school draws a diverse student body of 379 students in grades 9 through 12 from a forty-mile radius in central Ohio. Approximately 23% of the student body receives financial assistance to help with the cost of tuition. Columbus Academy is fully accredited by

the Independent School Association of the Central States (ISACS), the Ohio Department of Education, and the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS).

Grading Policy & Curriculum

Columbus Academy does not rank its students. Cumulative GPAs are calculated using all graded courses and only those grades earned at Academy. Our traditional grading scale allows

for a 10-point differential within each letter grade.

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Students are graded on the			
follow	following scale:		
A+	97-100		
A	93-96		
A-	90-92		
B+	87-89		
В	83-86		
B-	80-82		
C+	77-79		
С	73-76		
C-	70-72		
D+	67-69		
D	63-66		
D-	60-62		
Below 60 is not a passing			
mark			
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Standard college-preparatory courses are unweighted. Ten percent additional weight is added to grades in "Advanced" courses, and fifteen percent additional weight to grades in "Honors" courses.

Advanced courses typically are accelerated versions of the college-preparatory courses. Honors courses are those in which the syllabus is designed predominantly to prepare students for a college-level, external examination. Courses that cover two years' worth of material in one year are also included. Prerequisite criteria must be met for entry to Advanced and Honors courses.

Weighted grade point averages (WGPA) are reported on transcripts and documents sent to colleges and scholarship agencies. The recommended academic schedule is five core academic classes plus electives.

Honors Courses/AP Preparation

Columbus Academy offers Advanced Placement Examination preparation in all Honors and many Advanced courses. However, the designation "AP" is not included on the transcript for those respective courses. Students typically take AP exams in the following subject areas:

Biology English Language Physics C: Electricity & Magnetism Calculus AB **English Literature** Calculus BC **Environmental Science** Psychology Chemistry Latin: Vergil Spanish Language Macroeconomics Chinese Language & Statistics Culture Microeconomics U.S. Government & Politics Comparative Government & Physics I U.S. History Politics Physics B World History

Computer Science

Graduation Requirements

Minimum Credits:

English - 4 History - 3 Health - 1/2 credit Mathematics - 3 (through Algebra 2) Science - 3

Fine Arts, Music, Performing Arts - 1 Language - 3 (same language) or 4

(2 credits each of 2 languages)

Physical Education - 3 semesters

Ethics and Character - 1/2 credit

Additional Requirements:

Public Speaking (Junior Speech) - 1/4 credit

Community Service - 50 hours

Senior Project (in May of Grade 12) - 75 hours

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Class of 2016 - Snapshot

93 Total Students	GPA Distrib	<u>ution</u>
Approximately 30% of the	4.30-4.61	11
class is recognized by the	4.00-4.29	23
National Merit Corporation.	3.66-4.00	22
	3.33-3.65	18
*4 new seniors not included in GPA distribution	3.01-3.32	6
	≤ 3.00	9

SAT Subject Test Averages:

Chemistry (787) Physics (736) Biology-Molecular (716) Math II (702) Biology-Ecology (694) English Literature (688) U.S. History (681)

World History (639)

Standardized Testing Averages	SAT CR+M	ACT
National	1010	20.9
NAIS	1190	n/a
*Columbus Academy	1312	29.9
*scores as of 9/1/2015		

Global Online Academy (GOA)

Columbus Academy is a member of Global Online Academy (GOA), a consortium of the world's leading independent schools whose mission is to translate into online classrooms the intellectually challenging programs and excellent teaching that are hallmarks of its member schools.

National Merit Scholarship Results

27 students (29.3%) of the Class of 2015 were recognized through the National Merit and National Achievement Scholarship Corporation. **14** Commended students, **12** Semi-Finalists, **1** National Achievement Program.

2014-2015 Standardized Test Scores



SAT Reasoning	Mid 50%	Mean
Critical Reading	580-720	653
Math	600-720	663
Writing	620-720	665

SAT Subject Tests	Mid 50%	Mean
Biology-Ecology	630-730	679
Biology-Molecular	630-710	676
Chemistry	610-670	647
English Literature	620-740	675
Math Level II	650-760	698
Physics	630-730	681
U.S. History	630-700	667
World History	620-700	681

2015 AP Examination Results

Total Exams	528
Students Taking Exams	238
Number of AP Scholars	120
Scores of 3 or above	471 (89.2%)
Scores of 4 or above	341 (64.6%)

2015 Average AP Scores

Calculus BC	4.41
Physics C (Mech)	4.37
Comp Sci A	4.18
Physics C (E+M)	4.12
World History	4.08
English Language	4.06
Statistics	4.06
Microeconomics	4.0

U.S. History	4.0
Physics B	3.90
Calculus AB	3.74
Comp Govt & Politics	3.67
Chemistry	3.56
Chinese	3.56

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Class of 2015 College Enrollments & Acceptances

Typically 100% of Columbus Academy graduates will enroll at four-year colleges and universities across the country. Names in *bold italics* indicate colleges to which graduates of the Class of 2015 matriculated.

Agnes Scott College The University of Alabama Alfred University Allegheny College American University Amherst College Auburn University Babson College Barnard College Beloit College Boston College Boston University Bowdoin College Brandeis University Brown University Bryn Mawr College Bucknell University Butler University University of California, Berkelev University of California, Davis University of California, Irvine University of California, Los Angeles University of California, San -Diego University of California, Santa Barbara University of California, Santa Cruz Capital University Case Western Reserve -University Centre College Chapman University College of Charleston Chatham University University of Chicago University of Cincinnati Claremont McKenna College Clark University Clemson University Colby College Colgate University University of Colorado-Colorado College Columbia University University of Connecticut Cornell University Dartmouth College Davidson College University of Dayton Denison University University of Denver DePaul University DePauw University Dickinson College

Drexel University

Elon University

University of Edinburgh

Embry-Riddle University

Emory University University of Evansville Florida Institute of Technology Fordham University Furman University George Washington University Georgetown University Gettysburg College Goucher College Hampton University Harvard University Haverford College High Point University Hobart & William Smith -Colleges University of Illinois Indiana University Ithaca College Johns Hopkins University Kalamazoo College University of Kentucky Kenyon College Lafayette College Lewis & Clark College University College London Loyola Marymount University Loyola University Chicago Macalester College Miami University, Oxford University of Miami Michigan State University University of Michigan Middlebury College University of Mississippi Mount Holyoke College New York University University of North Carolina-Wilmington Northeast Ohio Medical -University Northeastern University Northwestern University University of Notre Dame Occidental College Ohio Northern University Ohio University Ohio Wesleyan University University of Oregon Otterbein University University of the Pacific Pennsylvania State University University of Pennsylvania University of Pittsburgh Pitzer College Pomona College Purdue University Reed College

Rice University

Technology

University of Richmond

Rochester Institute of -

University of Rochester

Rollins College Rose-Hulman Institute of -Technology Santa Clara University Scripps College Sewanee: The University of the South Skidmore College University of South Carolina University of Southern -California Southern Methodist -University University of St. Andrews St. Edward's University Stony Brook University The University of Tampa The Ohio State University Trinity College Trinity University Tufts University Tulane University Union College Vanderbilt University Vassar College Villanova University Virginia Tech Wake Forest University Washington and Lee -University Washington University in St. Louis University of Washington Wells College Wesleyan University Wheaton College (MA) Williams College Wittenberg University Wofford College The College of Wooster Worcester Polytechnic -Institute



Xavier University