### 2019-20 PROFILE for



# **OUAKERTOWN COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL**

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#### **ADMINISTRATIVE & COUNSELING STAFF**

- -Dr. William Harner, Superintendent
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- -TBA, House Principal (Students A-G)
- -Mr. Jason Magditch, House Principal (Students H-On)
- -TBA, House Principal (Students Op-Z)
- -Mr. Doug Detweiler, Counselor (Students A-De)
- -Ms. Erica Henry, Counselor (Students Di-H)
- -Ms. Brenda Roth, Counselor (Students I-Mi)
- -Mr. Eric Gozzard, Counselor (Students Mo-Sa)
- -Ms. Patty Sabol, Counselor (Students Sc-Z)
- -Ms. Christina Brever, Admin. Asst. (Students A-Mi)
- -Ms. Judi Devlin, Admin. Asst. (Students Mo-Z)

#### **OUR DISTRICT**

The Quakertown Community School District (QCSD) serves approximately 5,200 students in Bucks County, about 50 miles north of Philadelphia. Over 92% of our faculty hold an advanced degree. The district is comprised of five elementary schools, a sixth grade center, one middle school, and a 9th-12th grade high school. Beginning in the 2018-19 SY, QCSD established The Academy at Quakertown, a unique program designed to provide services within the district to our at-risk students.



Dr. Harner addresses our community as we prepared for our inaugural MLK Day of Service 2019. Over 200 students made it a "day on, not a day off."

#### **OUR SCHOOL**

QCHS offers a four-year comprehensive program to 1,685 students (432 students in the Class of 2020) that includes career and technical education at Upper Bucks County Technical School (UBCTS). A four-year renovation project, completed in August 2017, has given students access to a state-of-the-art TV production studio, cooking lab, dance studio, and other specialized learning environments. Students also have the opportunity to join a wide and ever-changing variety of clubs, including those that focus on school and community service. During the 2018-2019 SY, 500 students took advantage of 34 Varsity, Junior Varsity and Freshman sports offerings.

We operate on a traditional semester schedule with seven 45-minute periods. A complete list of courses and descriptions can be found in our Program of Studies at <a href="www.qcsd.org/pos">www.qcsd.org/pos</a>. The graduation requirements for the Class of 2020 are:

	QCHS Full-Time Students	QCHS/UBCTS Students
English	4.0	4.0
Social Studies	4.0	4.0
Science	3.0/4.0*	3.0
Mathematics	3.0/4.0*	3.0
Physical Education	0.5	0.5
Health	0.5	0.5
Elective	7.5	8.5
	24 credits	

\* QCHS Full-Time Students must take a minimum of 3 Math and 3 Science credits <u>and</u> have a minimum of 7 total Math and Science credits combined to be eligible for graduation. Full-Time Students must complete Algebra 1, Geometry, and Algebra 2A, as well as Biology, Chemistry, and Physics—even if the credit requirement has been met.

#### COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS

-QCHS offers 27 AP courses, 3 of which-Mandarin, Physics C, and Spanish Literature-are new for the 2019-20 SY. In the 2018-19 SY, 571 students took at least 1 AP course, and 28.2% of the Class of 2019 passed at least 1 AP exam.

–UBCTS offers almost two dozen career pathways, including an Agriculture and Biotechnology Program beginning in the 2019-20 SY. During the 2018-19 SY, 281 QCHS students attended UBCTS.

-Project Lead the Way (PLTW) offers a nationally recognized STEM curricular program. Seven honors-weighted courses are currently offered, including Cybersecurity for the 2019-20 SY.







In April 2019, our Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) Club had two teams advance to the national competition.

#### A KEY COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

The Medical Career Pathways Program, a partnership between QCHS and St. Luke's Quakertown Hospital, gives seniors opportunities to learn about numerous aspects of the healthcare profession. Students are onsite at the hospital twice a week throughout the school year.

#### **GPA & RANK**

The transcript reports both an unweighted and weighted GPA. Both cumulative GPAs are computed at the close of each school year and include all graded courses, 9-12. The weighted GPA reflects the appropriate scale factor for all designated classes receiving a grade of 'C' or better. Class rank is based upon weighted GPA and is shown as both a numeric rank and percentile.

	GPA			
Grade	College Prep	Honors	AP	AP with Passing AP Exam
A (90-100)	4.0	4.25	4.50	4.75
B (80-89)	3.0	3.25	3.50	3.75
C (70-79)	2.0	2.25	2.50	2.75
D (60-69)	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
F (50-59)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0



QCHS's MiniTHON raised \$31,360.65 in April, more than doubling last year's donation of just under \$15,000. All funds go to the Four Diamonds at Penn State Children's Hospital to help in the fight against pediatric cancer.

## CLASS OF 2019 GPA DISTRIBUTION

4.0+	16%	
3.5-3.99	19%	
3.0-3.49	18%	
2.5-2.99	21%	
2.0-2.49	13%	
≤2.0	12%	

## THE QCHS CLASS OF 2019

#### **TEST SCORES**

—Average SAT Score: 1154 (an all-time high, up 108 points over the past five years) – ERW: 567 | Math: 564

-Average ACT Score: 24 - English: 24 | Math: 24 |

Reading: 25 | Science: 24



Our award-winning Jazz Ensemble at the Steel Stacks Jazz Festival in April. QCHS's band and choral programs are genuinely second to none.

#### **FULFILLING DREAMS BEYOND QCHS**

#### -Post-Secondary Pathways

- 77.4% are attending a 2- or 4-year college (52.5% at 4-year colleges and 24.9% at 2-year colleges).
  - One Class of 2019 graduate is attending the U.S. Military Academy at West Point.
- 1.8% are attending a CTE institution.
- 4.8% are serving in the U.S. Armed Forces.
- 11% are immediately entering full-time employment, including many in their trade learned at UBCTS.
- -By their 11th-grade year, 62 students achieved AP Scholar recognition (13 with Honors, 24 with Distinction, and 3 National Scholars), and 3 students earned AP Capstone Diplomas.
- -95% of students attending UBCTS earned an Advanced or Proficient on the NOCTI (National Occupational Competency Testing Institute) exam.



24 student-athletes received scholarships to play at the college level, a QCHS all-time record. Many are pictured above at May's signing celebration. Below are some scenes from the Commencement Ceremony for the Class of 2019.

# TOP 10 MOST APPLIED-TO 4-YEAR COLLEGES

- 1. Pennsylvania State University
- 2. Temple University
- 3. West Chester University
- 4. Drexel University
- 5. University of Pittsburgh
- 6. Bloomsburg University
- 7. DeSales University
- 8. Kutztown University
- 9. Shippensburg University
- 10. Lehigh University





