

# PITTSBURGH ALLDERDICE HIGH SCHOOL • 2019-2020 SCHOOL PROFILE



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Accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools, Pittsburgh Allerdice High School is a neighborhood school located in Pittsburgh's Squirrel Hill Community. The U.S. News and World Report awarded Silver Medal Awards to Allerdice in 2008 and 2009 and ranked the school 15<sup>th</sup> in the state in 2013. In 2010, Allerdice was ranked as a top performing high school by Newsweek and, in 2011, was ranked top in the nation for college preparedness in the Washington Post High School Challenge. In 2013, Allerdice ranked 12<sup>th</sup> in the Pittsburgh Business Times regional top high school list. To complement its strong academic programs, Allerdice offers a full range of interscholastic, intramural, and co-curricular clubs reflecting the diversity of its students' backgrounds and interests.

Allerdice High School is an urban four-year high school with a culturally diverse student body and a reputation for rigorous college preparatory classes. Approximately 1,500 students attend the school, from nine diverse communities throughout the city of Pittsburgh. Of the approximately 330 who graduate each year, about 85% attend two- or four-year colleges. Academic programs are offered at the gifted (CAS), scholars (PSP), and standard academic levels. The Pre-Engineering Magnet introduces students to twelve different forms of engineering. It affords students the opportunity to be challenged by engineering-based design problems and to work with professionals in the field. Allerdice is generously supported by active groups of parents, alumni, and business and community organizations.

## STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Pittsburgh Allerdice students are involved in a wide-range of extracurricular activities including African-American Center for Advanced Studies, Allerdice Racing Association, Allies, Amnesty International, Best Buddies, Biking Club, Bowling, Break Dancing, Cheerleading, Choir, Triple Trio, Quartet, CLAAAY, Color Guard, Community Service Club, Computational Linguistics, Concert Band, Crew, DECA, Drama Club, Drill Team, Engineering Competition (JETS), Environmental Club, Fencing, Field Hockey, The Foreword School Newspaper, French Club, Gaming Club, Global Minds, Ice Hockey, International Club, In-line Hockey, Israeli Culture Club, Key Club, Leadership Club, Marching Band, Math League, Mock Trial, National Honor Society, Orchestra, PA Junior Academy of Science, Peer Education, Robotics, SADD, Science Bowl, Science Olympiad, Skate Club, Ski Club, Spring Musical, Student Government, Student Hunger Action Coalition, Student United Nations, Ultimate Frisbee, World Quest Team, Yearbook, and Young Democrats. Students also participate in the Interscholastic Athletics program, which is comprised of 20 teams.

In 2018, Allerdice finished in the top ten in the National Science Bowl competition. The Quiz Bowl team placed 12<sup>th</sup> in the National High School Quiz Tournament in 2018. Of more than 80 teams, Allerdice was one of 25 to advance to the semifinals of the 2019 Euro Challenge in New York City.

## SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

Dr. James McCoy, Principal

### ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS:

Ms. Terri Alessio                      Ms. Amy Davies  
Mr. Michael Dobies                      Ms. Kayla Wright

### COUNSELORS:

Mr. Anthony Hall                      Ms. Dana Hecht  
Ms. Amy Hand                          Mrs. Maggie Ionadi  
Mrs. Lyndsey Van Luik                Mrs. Courtney Stonestreet

### SOCIAL WORKERS:

Mrs. Debbie Genter                      Ms. Samantha Noll

## GENERAL SCHOOL INFORMATION

Total full-time enrollment                      1492

Caucasian    49%  
African American                                      38%  
Multi-Racial    5%  
Asian    4%  
Hispanic    4%

Total School Days per Year                      182

Teaching Faculty                                      114

Data as of 9/6/2019

## GRADING SYSTEM

LETTER GRADES	UNWT.	PSP	CAS & AP*
A = 100-90%	4.0	4.5	5.0
B = 89 – 80%	3.0	3.5	4.0
C = 79 – 70%	2.0	2.5	3.0
D = 69 – 60%	1.0	1.5	2.0
E = 59% & below	0.0	0.0	0.0

Minimum passing grade = D  
Honor Roll = 3.0 – 3.49  
High Honors = 3.49 & higher

\*CAS = Centers for Advanced Studies,  
PSP = Pittsburgh Scholars Program

## GPA AND CLASS RANK

Preliminary Class Ranks and GPAs are computed at the end of the junior year and include grades earned in all courses taken in grades 9 through 11. Both *Weighted* and *Unweighted* GPAs are reported. In computing weighted rank and GPA .50 additional quality point is added to grades earned in CAS/AP courses per semester. In addition, PSP courses earn an additional .25 quality point per semester. GPAs are computed on a 4.0 scale.

## MEAN SAT I SCORES

SAT SCHOOL DAY MARCH 17, 2019

	READING	MATH	TOTAL
ALLDERDICE	508	506	1014
PENNSYLVANIA	487	477	963
TOTAL GROUP	491	482	973

## NATIONAL MERIT PROGRAM

CLASS OF 2019		CLASS OF 2020	
4	Semifinalists	2	Semifinalists
8	Commended	15	Commended

## MEAN SAT II SCORES

CLASS OF 2019 (Taken in 2018-19 School Year)

Chemistry	658	Math Level I C	
Biology		Math Level II C	744
World History	755	Physics	715
French		Spanish	
Hebrew	550	US History	718
U.S. History	718	Literature	647

## COLLEGE EXPERIENCE – CLASS OF 2019

Size of Class.....	382
Percent Attending Colleges (2 & 4 yr).....	87%
Other post-secondary schools.....	3%
Military service.....	<1%
Others/Undecided .....	9%

## MAY 2019 ADVANCED PLACEMENT TEST RESULTS

Pittsburgh Alderdice offers 27 AP courses.

TEST	NUMBER OF CANDIDATES	SCORE				
		5	4	3	2	1
Art History	14	4	5	3	2	
Biology	14	2	4	6	1	1
Calculus AB	45	5	3	12	19	6
Calculus BC	25	6	5	6	8	
Chemistry	10	1	1	3	3	2
Computer Science	7	3	3	1		
Computer Science Princ.	6	2		1	2	1
English Lang/Comp	125	10	27	38	36	14
English Lit/Comp	37	3	4	13	15	2
Environmental Science	15	1	4	4	4	2
European History	14	3	5	4	1	1
French	4	1		2	1	
Human Geography	12	6	2	1	2	1
Microeconomics	21	5	8	2	3	3
Music Theory	10	3		6	1	
Physics 1	50	3	12	6	12	17
Physics C: E & M	6	3	1		2	
Physics C: Mechanics	32	11	13	5	3	
Psychology	35	4	6	8	5	12
Research	8	3	2	3		
Seminar	13	4		7	2	
Spanish Language	3		3			
Statistics	32	8	3	11	5	5
Studio Art	7		6	1		
U.S. Govt and Politics	21	6	4	9	1	1
U.S. History	91	12	19	22	25	13
World History	117	23	32	34	23	5

## COLLEGES IN WHICH PITTSBURGH ALLDERDICE GRADUATES WERE ACCEPTED IN PAST 3 YEARS

Allegheny	Lincoln	Smith
American	Lock Haven	Spelman
Arcadia	Loyola	Stanford
Baldwin Wallace	La Roche	St. Augustine
Barnard	U of Maryland	St. Johns
Bella Capella	U of Maine	St. Vincent
Bidwell	McCallister	Syracuse
Boston College	McGill	Tampa
Boston U	Memphis	Temple
Brandeis	Miami	Thiel
Brown	Michigan	Toronto
Bryn Mawr	Michigan State	Tufts
Bucknell	Muhlenberg	Tulane
Carlow	Millersville	Tuskagee
Carnegie Mellon	MIT	UC – Berkeley
Case Western	Morehouse	UCLA
CCBC Flight School	Mount Holyoke	UC Santa Barbara
Central State	Mt. Aloysius	UC – San Diego
Chatham	New Hampshire	Universal Tech
Cheyney	Norfolk	UPMC Shadyside
Cincinnati	NC A&T	Nursing
Clarion	NC State	Vanderbilt
Clark Atlanta	Northeastern	Vassar
Cleveland Institute of Music	Northwestern	VCU
Colgate	Notre Dame	Vermont
Colorado	NYU	Virginia
Columbia	Oberlin	U of Hartford
Cornell	Occidental	U of Washington
Dartmouth	Ohio State	Wash. U St. Louis
U of Delaware	Ohio U	W & J
Denison	Oregon State	Waynesburg
Dickinson	Penn State	Wellesley
Drexel	Philadelphia U	Wesleyan
Duke	Pitzer	WV Wesleyan
Duquesne	U of Jerusalem	West Chester
Edinboro	UNC	Westminster
Emory	U of Pittsburgh	Wentworth Inst.
U of Florida	U of Pennsylvania	Of Technology
Florida A&M	U of Virginia	Wheeling Jesuit
Florida State	Ponoma	WVU
Franklin & Marshall	Point Park	Wisconsin
Gannon	Pratt Institute	Wooster
Geneva	Princeton	Yale
Georgia Tech.	PTI	Youngstown
Georgetown	Purdue	
George Wash.	Queens University	
Glennville State	Charlotte	
Harvard	Rice	
Houston Central	Richmond	
Howard	RIT	
Ithaca	Robert Morris	
Indiana	Ryerson	
Jacksonville	Seton Hill	
James Madison	Skidmore	
	Slippery Rock	