# Walter B. Saul HS of Agricultural Sciences (SA)

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### Student Enrollment: 520

#### **Admission Requirements: Grades:**

A's and B's with the possible exception of one C in major subjects on most recent report card

#### Standardized Test Scores:

70th percentile or higher on the PSSA Test in Reading and **Mathematics** 

#### Attendance:

95% attendance during the previous school year

# **Behavior:**

No negative disciplinary reports on most recent final report card

#### **SEPTA Routes:**

9, 27,32, 65, 446, 447; Frankford Terminal and City Hall express bus service

### **School Progress Report (SPR)**

Overall SPR Performance Tier ...... Watch

# Performance Tier by Domain:

Achievement	Intervene
Progress	Intervene
Climate	Model
College & Career	Reinforce



# Mission & Approach to Learning:

At W.B. Saul High School, our mission is to promote student leadership that makes a difference in our world. Through diverse, hands-on opportunities rooted in an urban setting, Saul students apply their knowledge and skills to address modern environmental and agricultural challenges. To enhance post-secondary and career success, Saul students drive the future by learning to do, doing to learn and learning to serve.



#### **Points of Pride:**

Largest agricultural high school in the nation; Recognized and honored as one of the state's top Career/Technical schools by the PA Dept of Career and Technical Education; named 2019 U.S News & World Report's Best High Schools in Pennsylvania; Consistently strong Keystone passage rates; Strong partnerships resulting in internships and job placement.



# **Courses & Program Highlights:**

Students select a "major" from four CTE Programs of Study:

- Animal Sciences
- Food Sciences
- Horticulture
- Natural Resource Management

All four programs are academically based on principles of biology and chemistry and classes tend to be hands-on and active.

Each year, students also have opportunities to develop their skills via a number of largescale co-curricular projects. These include designing and building a major exhibit for the Philadelphia Flower Show, showing animals at the Pennsylvania Farm Show and coordination of schoolwide seasonal events: Harvest on Henry (fall festival) and Country Fair Day (celebration of spring).

#### **Advanced Placement Courses:**

- · English Language
- English Literature
- Environmental Science
- US Government & Politics



# **Partnerships:**

- Artist Year
- Delaware Valley College
- Fairmount Park Commission
- Food Moxie
- · Friends of the Wissahickon
- Minorities in Agriculture Natural **Resources and Related Sciences** (MANRRS)
- Morris Arboretum
- Outward Bound
- Pennsylvania FFA
- · Pennsylvania Horticultural Society
- Pennsylvania State University
- The Philadelphia Phillies
- · Philadelphia Society for the Promotion of Agriculture (PSPA)
- · Philadelphia Water Department
- The Philadelphia Zoo
- Temple University
- Weaver's Way Community Programs
- · WorkReady Philadelphia
- Zoetis Animal Health



# **Extracurricular Activities:**

- After-school career development clubs allow students to deepen their knowledge in numerous areas of the natural sciences
- FFA provides leadership opportunities locally and throughout the state
- Multimedia, Dance, Chess, Eco-Sculpture, and Poetry clubs provide creative and academic outlets
- National Honor Society recognizes exceptional achievement



#### **Sports Teams:**

- Badminton-Girls'
- Baseball—Bovs'
- · Bowling-Co-ed
- Cross-country—Co-ed
- · Cycling—Co-ed, intramural
- Softball—Girls';
- Volleyball—Girls' and Boys'
- · and interested students may try out for football, track and field, and boys' and girls' basketball through a partnership with Roxborough High School