

Benjamin Franklin High School (NS)

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Student Enrollment: 547

Admission Requirements:

Residence within the school catchment area. Admission for students outside the catchment area is based on space availability and lottery.

Feeder Schools:

Bache-Martin, Waring, Dunbar, Kearny, Spring Garden, Morris, Meade, McCall, Greenfield

Septa Routes:

2, 43, 61, C, Broad Street Subway

Citywide Access Programs:

- Computer Aided Drafting and Design
- Culinary Arts
- Facility and Property Maintenance
- Precision Machine Tool Technology
- Welding Technology

School Progress Report (SPR)

Overall SPR
Performance Tier **Intervene**

Performance Tier by Domain:

Achievement **Intervene**
Progress **Intervene**
Climate **Intervene**
College & Career **Intervene**



Mission & Approach to Learning:

Benjamin Franklin High School is a collaborative community of diverse students, dedicated educators, supportive families and engaged community stakeholders. The school community recognizes each student as an individual and strives to empower all students to identify and achieve their full intellectual and social potential. Students who graduate from Benjamin Franklin High School will be motivated, confident, accepting of self and others and will actively apply their skills to their post high school college, career or military pathways in order to become lifelong learners and productive members of the community.



Points of Pride:

Technology--25 classrooms with interactive panel boards, 2 Mac & 2 PC computer labs, laptop carts on each floor of the school, and 10 Chromebooks in each classroom • Outstanding sports teams • 2014-15 PIAA 4A Public League Football Champions • Two world languages offered: Spanish and French • Cultural diversity encouraged and demonstrated among students • Highly qualified teachers of diverse backgrounds instruct every course • Only Navy JROTC in The School District of Philadelphia • Art and music humanities courses offered for all students • WHYY media lab is on-site for news broadcasting • Wide array of extracurricular activities including: Philadelphia Student Union, Art Club, Chess Club, Green Club, Journalism Club, JROTC Color Guard, Coded by Kids, Yearbook, Debate, Drama • Advanced Manufacturing and Engineering Technology Program • Culinary Arts' Cafe, The Franklin Stove, open 5 days a week • Monthly Green Zone activities and quarterly trips to celebrate attendance and academics • Regular field trips: Philadelphia Art Museum, college fairs, college tours, Franklin Institute, Philadelphia Zoo, Constitution Center, Penn Museum, CTE locations.



Courses & Program Highlights:

Approved CTE Programs (Citywide Access):
(Citywide access is based on space availability)

- Culinary Arts and related hospitality fields. (Grades 10 through 12) A 3-year academic curriculum that includes emphasis on careers in lodging, commercial, hotel and institutional food service, as well as travel and tourism. Program support is provided by the Pennsylvania Convention Center Authority and Community College of Philadelphia. Students can also obtain industry certification after two consecutive years.

- Computer Aided Drafting and Design
- Facility and Property Maintenance
- Honors classes offered in preparation for Advanced Placement courses.
- Life Skills and Autistic Support programs
- Ninth Grade Academy where all new 9th graders have staff & assistant principal dedicated to their success!
- Precision Machine Tool Technology
- Welding Technology. This 3 year program of study will provide eligible students with a one of a kind learning experience that provides practical, hands-on learning and certifications in: Computer Aided Drafting & Design (CADD), Industrial Property & Maintenance, Welding and Blueprint Reading.



Partnerships:

Community College of Philadelphia • Temple University • WHYY • Gear-Up College Preparatory Program • Philadelphia Young Playwrights • Women of Tomorrow • Project Pride • Internships through CTE (some paid!) • Upward Bound • Teen Wellness Center • ELECT for pregnant and parenting teens • Homeless Initiative - Teen Evolution Program • Outward Bound



Extracurricular Activities:

- Art Club
- Chess Club
- Debate Club
- Drama Club
- JROTC Color Guard
- Philadelphia Student Union (city-wide)
- Student Newspaper
- Yearbook



Varsity Sports Teams:

- Baseball
- Basketball– Girls' & Boys
- Cheerleading
- Football
- Soccer
- Softball– Girls'
- Track (Indoor and Outdoor)
- Volleyball– Girls'