

Science Leadership Academy (SA)

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Student Enrollment: 502

Admission Requirements:

Grades:

Grades: A's and B's with the possible exception of one C on most recent final report card.

Attendance:

Good attendance & punctuality (no more than 10 absences; no more than 10 instances of lateness) on most recent final report card.

Behavior:

No negative disciplinary reports on most recent final report card.

Additional Requirements:

Project-based interview. (Families must call school to schedule an interview, which will be held in early December.) A weeklong Summer Institute is strongly recommended for all incoming ninth grade students.

PSSAs:

Proficient or Advanced on 7th Grade PSSAs

SEPTA Routes:

2, 43, 61, C
Broad Street Line
to Spring Garden

School Progress Report (SPR)

Overall SPR
Performance Tier Reinforce

Performance Tier by Domain:

Achievement Reinforce
Progress Watch
Climate Model
College & Career Model



Mission & Approach to Learning:

The Science Leadership Academy is a partnership high school between The School District of Philadelphia and The Franklin Institute. SLA provides a rigorous, college-preparatory curriculum with a focus on science, technology, mathematics, and entrepreneurship. Students at SLA learn in a technology-infused, project-based environment where the core values of inquiry, research, collaboration, presentation, and reflection are emphasized in all classes.



Points of Pride:

- Recognized as the Dell Center of Excellence for Education – 2014-current
- Digital Video program won the Global 10-Day Film Challenge - 2019
- Competed in 2018-19 State Playoffs – Baseball, Girls Volleyball, Cross-Country, Track, Girls Ultimate Frisbee, Boys Ultimate Frisbee
- Division-winning sports teams: Girls' Soccer, Softball, Baseball, Girls Volleyball
- Nationally recognized 1:1 laptop program
- 2011 City Debate Champions, 2016-2018 National Debate qualifiers
- Four year Advisory program
- 2019 State Qualifier – FIRST Robotics
- Award-winning student journalism program
- Over \$2 million dollars in merit based scholarships for the Class of 2019
- Named as one of the Ten Most Amazing Schools by Ladies Home Journal in Aug. 2010
- Featured in the PBS Documentary, Digital Media: New Learners for the 21st Century
- Apple Distinguished School: 2009-2013
- President Barack Obama spoke with graduating Class of 2012
- Gates Millennium Scholars 2010-2014
- Designed and built a solar distillation system for a hospital in Sierra Leone
- Two patents pending for a flow process bio-diesel generator
- Slam Poetry program, placing students on Philadelphia Youth Slam team and home to current Philadelphia Youth Poet Laureate
- Grants from Dell, Braskem and State Farm
- Took part in White House Google Hangout as part of ConnectED White House initiative in 2013



Courses & Program Highlights:

Approved CTE Programs:

- Engineering Technologies
- Film and Video Production

Dual Enrollment Program: Drexel University, U. Penn Scholars and Community College of Philadelphia

Streamed courses in 9-11 Grades; 10 and 11 Grade Individualized Learning Plan; 12 Grade Capstone Course

Courses offered in Digital Filmmaking, Computer Science Engineering, General Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Journalism, Debate, Art Studio, Ceramics, Drama/Playwriting, Debate, and Music



Partnerships:

- Braskem
- Drexel University
- 100+ organizations partnering for student Individualized Learning Plans



Extracurricular Activities:

Art Club • Chess Club • Community Service Club • Debate • Digital Video • Drama • Dream Interpretation Club • Engineering Club • Gay-Straight Alliance • Improv • Journalism • Lit Mag • Math Club • Music • Peer Mediation • Poetry Slam • Robotics • Science Club • Student Leadership • Tech Club • Theater • Yearbook



Sports Teams (w/ Ben Franklin):

- Badminton
- Baseball
- Basketball—Girls' and Boys'
- Cross Country—Co-ed
- Football
- Soccer—Girls' and Boys'
- Softball
- Students Run Philly Style
- Track—Co-ed
- Ultimate Frisbee—Girls' and Boys'
- Volleyball—Girls'