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# Columbus Academy

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## School Profile 2011-2012

### Columbus Academy

Founded in 1911 as an early pioneer in the country day school model, Columbus Academy is a coeducational day school enrolling 1077 students from PreKindergarten to Grade 12. Columbus Academy offers a rigorous liberal arts, college preparatory program. Located on a 231-acre campus nine miles northeast of Columbus, the school draws a diverse student body of 362 students in grades 9 through 12 from a forty-mile radius in central Ohio. During the 2010-2011 school year, approximately 8% of the operating budget went to financial aid. Columbus Academy is fully accredited by the Independent School Association of the Central States, the Ohio Department of Education, and the National Association of Independent Schools.

### Graduation Requirements

#### Minimum Credits:

English - 4  
Mathematics - 3 (through Algebra 2)  
Science - 3  
History - 3  
Fine Arts, Music, Performing Arts - 1  
Foreign Language - 3 (same language) or  
4 (2 credits each of 2 languages)  
Physical Education - 3 semesters  
Health - 1/2 credit

#### Additional Requirements:

Public Speaking (Junior Speech) - 1/4 credit  
Community Service - 50 hours  
Senior Project (in May of Grade 12) - 75 hours

### Honors Courses/AP Preparation

Columbus Academy offers Advanced Placement examination preparation in all Honors and many Advanced courses. However, the designation "AP" is not included on the transcript for those respective courses. In May of 2011, students took AP exams in the following subject areas:

Biology	Latin: Vergil
Calculus AB	Macroeconomics
Calculus BC	Microeconomics
Chemistry	Physics B
Chinese Language and Culture	Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism
Comparative Government and Politics	Physics C: Mechanics
Computer Science A	Psychology
English Language	Spanish Language
English Literature	Statistics
Environmental Science	U.S. Government and Politics
European History	U.S. History
French Language	

Grade	Scale %	Unweighted
A+	97-100	4.33
A	93-96	4.00
A-	90-92	3.66
B+	87-89	3.33
B	83-86	3.00
B-	80-82	2.66
C+	77-79	2.33
C	73-76	2.00
C-	70-72	1.66
D+	67-69	1.33
D	63-66	1.00
D-	60-62	0.66
E	Below 60	0.00

### Grading Policy & Curriculum

**Columbus Academy does not rank its students.** Cumulative GPAs are calculated using all graded courses and only those grades earned at Columbus Academy.

In August 2006, a new weighting scale was implemented, retroactive to Grade 9 for all students currently enrolled. Standard college-preparatory courses are unweighted. Ten percent additional weight is added to grades in "Advanced" courses, and fifteen percent additional weight to grades in "Honors" courses.

Advanced courses typically are accelerated versions of the college-preparatory courses. Honors courses are those in which the syllabus is designed predominantly to prepare students for a college-level, external examination. Courses that cover two years' worth of material in one year are also included. Prerequisite criteria must be met for entry to Advanced and Honors courses.

Both unweighted (UGPA) and weighted (WGPA) grade point averages are reported on transcripts and documents sent to colleges and scholarship agencies.

The recommended academic schedule is five core academic classes plus electives. Seven classes per day is the maximum possible. Each class is forty-five minutes long. Most meet every day with the exception of portfolio classes and science classes that have extended laboratory periods.



# Columbus Academy

## Class of 2011 Academic Statistics

Number in Class: 83

SAT Reasoning	Mid 50%	Mean
Critical Reading	600-690	643
Math	590-740	660
Writing	590-730	658

ACT Averages	Mid 50%	Mean
Composite	24-31	28

SAT Subject Tests	Mid 50%	Mean
Biology - Ecology	650-760	708
Biology - Molecular	610-750	675
Chemistry	620-770	698
Chinese with Listening	800-800	800
English Literature	630-760	703
Math Level I	700-750	733
Math Level II	660-790	712
Physics	710-770	745
Spanish	510-720	630
U.S. History	630-750	693
World History	670-670	670

### National Merit Scholarship Program Results

26 students (31%) of the class of 2011 were recognized through the National Merit, National Achievement, and National Hispanic Recognition Scholarship programs.

### Class of 2011 Cumulative AP Examination Results

AP Score	5	4	3	2	1
Total Number	173	105	59	17	2

Number of students taking an AP: 64

Total number of AP tests: 356

78% scored 4 or 5; 95% scored 3 and above

### Class of 2011 Weighted Cumulative Grade Distribution

4.00-4.33	21	24%
3.66-3.99	23	26%
3.33-3.65	23	26%
3.00-3.32	14	16%
≤ 2.99	10	11%

## College Enrollments & Acceptances Class of 2011

Typically, 100% of Columbus Academy graduates enroll at four-year colleges and universities across the country.

Names in **bold** indicate colleges to which graduates of the class of 2011 matriculated.

The University of Akron  
 The University of Alabama  
**The American Musical and Dramatic Academy**  
**American University**  
 Arizona State University  
**Augustana College**  
**Bard College**  
**Barnard College**  
 Baylor University  
 Beloit College  
**Bennington College**  
 Bentley University  
 Boston College  
 Boston University  
**Bowdoin College**  
 Brown University  
 Bryant University  
 Bucknell University  
**Butler University**  
 University of California, Berkeley  
 University of California, Los Angeles  
 California Institute of Technology  
**Capital University**  
**Carnegie Mellon University**  
**Case Western Reserve University**  
 Centre College  
**College of Charleston**  
**University of Chicago**  
 University of Cincinnati  
 Clemson University  
 Cleveland Institute of Music  
**Coastal Carolina University**  
 Colby College  
**Colgate University**  
 University of Colorado, Boulder  
 Colorado State University  
 Connecticut College  
**Cornell University**  
 Creighton University

**Dartmouth College**  
 University of Dayton  
 Denison University  
 University of Denver  
**DePaul University**  
 DePauw University  
 Drexel University  
 Duke University  
 Duquesne University  
 Earlham College  
 East Carolina University  
 Eastman School of Music  
 Eckerd College  
 Elon University  
**Emory University**  
 Fairfield University  
 Florida A & M University  
 Fordham University  
 Furman University  
**The George Washington University**  
 Georgetown College  
**Georgetown University**  
 University of Georgia  
 Guilford College  
 Hamilton College  
 Hampshire College  
 Hartwick College  
**Haverford College**  
 University of Hawaii at Manoa  
 Hiram College  
 Hobart and William Smith Colleges  
**College of the Holy Cross**  
**Howard University**  
 University of Illinois at Chicago  
 University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign  
 Illinois Institute of Technology  
 Indiana University at Bloomington  
 James Madison University  
**Johns Hopkins University**  
 University of Kansas

**Kent State University**  
 Kenyon College  
 Lesley University  
 Loyola University Chicago  
 Loyola University Maryland  
 Marquette University  
**Massachusetts Institute of Technology**  
 University of Massachusetts, Amherst  
**Miami University, Oxford**  
**University of Michigan**  
**Middlebury College**  
 Missouri Baptist University  
 Morehouse College  
 University of New Hampshire  
**New York University**  
**The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill**  
 Northeast Ohio Medical University  
**Northeastern University**  
**Northwestern University**  
 University of Notre Dame  
 Oberlin College  
 Occidental College  
 Oglethorpe University  
 Ohio Dominican University  
**The Ohio State University**  
 Ohio University  
 Ohio Wesleyan University  
 University of Oregon  
**Otterbein University**  
**University of Pennsylvania**  
 Pepperdine University  
**University of Pittsburgh**  
**Pomona College**  
**Providence College**  
**Purdue University**  
**Rice University**  
 University of Richmond  
 Roanoke College  
 University of Rochester

**Saint Louis University**  
 Salve Regina University  
 Savannah College of Art and Design  
 Sewanee: The University of the South  
 Skidmore College  
**University of South Florida, Tampa**  
 University of Southern California  
 Southern Methodist University  
 St. John's University, Queens  
 St. Lawrence University  
**Susquehanna University**  
**Texas Christian University**  
 Thiel College  
 Tiffin University  
 Trine University  
 Trinity College  
 Tufts University  
**Tulane University**  
**Union College**  
 Urbana University  
**Valparaiso University**  
**Vanderbilt University**  
 University of Vermont  
**Villanova University**  
 Virginia Commonwealth University  
**Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University**  
 University of Virginia  
 Wake Forest University  
**Walsh University**  
 Washington and Jefferson College  
**Washington University in St. Louis**  
 Wesleyan University  
 College of William and Mary  
**Williams College**  
 University of Wisconsin, Madison  
 Wittenberg University  
 The College of Wooster  
 Wright State University  
 Xavier University