

# ALEXIS I. du PONT HIGH SCHOOL

50 Hillside Road

Greenville, Delaware 19807

School Code: 080155

Web Site: [www.aiduponths.com](http://www.aiduponths.com)

Alexis I du Pont High School is a comprehensive high school of approximately 1500 students in grades 9-12. Students come from a variety of backgrounds, all levels of the socio-economic scale, and evidence a racial balance of 22% African-American, 11% Hispanic, 4% Asian, including Japanese, Taiwanese, Chinese, and Korean, and 62% Caucasian.

The faculty of Alexis I. du Pont High School encourages student participation in all phases of high school life. Operating on a 7-day rotating schedule, students have an opportunity to pursue courses of study which encourage all aspects of the curriculum.

**Graduation Requirements:** 24 credits total with 4 in English, 4 in Social Studies, 3 in Mathematics, 3 in Science, 2 in foreign language, 1 in Computer Literacy, 1 in Physical Education, 1/2 in Health, 3 in a career pathway, and 2 1/2 in Elective courses. Over 90% of the student body elects to take additional science and/or mathematics courses. Other offerings very much in demand are computer programming courses, business and technology electives, journalism, auto technology, and a comprehensive unified arts curriculum which includes family and consumer sciences, visual, and performing arts.

Required courses are offered at six levels of achievement: Special Needs, General (Gen), College Preparatory (CP), Honors (Hon), Accelerated (Accel) for students taking an AP course and not sitting for the AP exam, and Advanced Placement (AP) for students taking an AP course and sitting for the AP exam.

## HONORS COURSES

English 1, 2, 3 & 4 Hon  
Civics/Economics Hon  
US History Hon  
World History Hon  
Biology Hon  
Physics Hon  
Chemistry Hon  
Algebra 1 Hon  
Geometry Hon  
Algebra 2 Hon  
Pre-Calculus Hon  
French 1, 2, 3 & 4 Hon  
Spanish 1, 2, 3 & 4 Hon  
Latin 3 & 4 Hon  
German 1, 2, 3 & 4 Hon  
Honors Earth Science  
Honors Environmental Science  
Calculus Honors

## ADVANCED PLACEMENT/ACCELERATED COURSES

English (Language and Literature)  
Economics (micro)  
Government & Politics: US  
European History  
Biology  
Chemistry  
Physics B  
Calculus AB  
Calculus BC  
Statistics  
Psychology  
Art History  
Computer Science A  
Spanish Language  
Environmental Science  
US History

## CLASS OF 2008: 250 Graduates

60% Attended 4-year colleges or universities  
26% Attended 2-year colleges or technical institutes  
4 National Merit Commended Students (2008-09)  
2 Secretary of Education Scholars

35 AP Scholars (2008-09)  
8 AP Scholars with Honor (2008-09)  
8 AP Scholars with Distinction (2008-09)

## SAT I DISTRIBUTION (169 scores) [2007-08 School Year]

	Critical Read	Math	Writing
MEAN	498	491	491

## SAT II SCORES

M1C	M2C	PH	LIT
657	669	662	589

## ACT DISTRIBUTION (9 scores)

	English	Math	Reading	Sci Reasoning	Composite
MEAN	21.9	22.4	24.2	22.2	22.7

## ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMINATIONS

**245** students completed **479** Advanced Placement Exams in **18** subjects and had the following distribution:  
7% received scores of 5                      15% received scores of 4                      28% received scores of 3

**GPA and CLASS RANK:**

Class rank is computed beginning with grade 9. The GPA for class rank is a weighted “academic” average (i.e. grades only from courses in the areas of English, Social Studies, Math, Science, and Foreign Language are used to compute the GPA). The weighted scale includes an additional quality point for each Honors and Accelerated course taken with a final grade of a "C" or better and an additional 1.5 quality points for each AP course taken with a final grade of a "C" or better. Grades transferred from other schools are included in the class rank. Only highest level honors courses are given an additional quality point. Fractional weight is not included. Additional weight is not given to courses taken at a school where honors courses are not offered.

**ACCREDITATION:** Delaware Department of Public Instruction  
Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools

**MARKING SYSTEM:**

A - Excellent	(93-100)	W - Withdrawal	(no credit)
B - Very Good	(85-92)	N - No Grade	(no credit)
C - Satisfactory	(77-84)	X - Audit	(no credit)
D - Poor	(70-76)	O - Outstanding	
F - Failure	(below 70)	S - Satisfactory	
I - Incomplete	(no credit)	U - Unsatisfactory	(no credit)
M - Medical	(no credit)		

**AREAS OF INSTRUCTION****ENGLISH:**

The high school English program covers the traditional content areas of language, literature and composition. At the heart of our English program is a four-year sequence of instruction in the skills of composition. To complement the sequential composition instruction, and often directly related to it, all types of literature (poetry, short story, novel, and drama) are studied at each level. An Advanced Placement course is offered in Literature and/or Composition.

**SOCIAL STUDIES:**

The Social Studies program consists of four years of required courses (World History, U.S. History, and Civics/Economics, and one social studies elective). Advanced Placement courses are offered in Government & Politics (US), U.S. History, AP Microeconomics, Art History, and European History.

**MATHEMATICS:**

The Mathematics program provides a variety of courses appropriate to the ability, needs, interests and goals of each student. These range from basic level algebra courses through Advanced Placement Calculus BC. Other Advanced Placement courses are offered in Calculus AB and Statistics.

**SCIENCE:**

The high school Science program offers a sequence of instruction in Physical Science, Biology, Chemistry, and Physics as well as electives in Environmental Science and Earth Science/Astronomy. Advanced Placement courses are offered in Biology, Physics, Chemistry, Environmental Science, and Psychology.

**FOREIGN LANGUAGE:**

Two years of a foreign language is required of all students for graduation. Four years of French, Spanish, and German are offered.

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS (ELL):**

Four levels of instruction (levels 1, 2, 3, and 4) are offered in the disciplines of English, Social Studies, Math, and Science to students who are non-native speakers of the English language and whose test results suggest an appropriate ELL level of instruction. Many students are mainstreamed into regular English speaking classes during their high school career.

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