**FACTS**

**STATUS AND FOCUS OF CURRICULUM**
Independently operated public school established in 1996 with a focus on mathematics and science.

**MISSION**
The mission of The Charter School of Wilmington is to engage highly motivated high school students with an interest in math and science by providing a challenging college preparatory curriculum in a safe, friendly and nurturing environment that integrates practical learning opportunities, sets high expectations, develops social responsibility and promotes a global perspective.

**ENROLLMENT (2019-2020)** 970

**RECOGNIZING DIVERSITY**
The Charter School of Wilmington is committed to creating a welcoming culture and inclusive environment that reflects and supports the diversity of our community. We support a school environment free from discrimination and harassment on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, national origin, age, genetic information, or disability.

**INNOVATION AND ACCOLADES**
The Charter School of Wilmington has a dedicated Nanotechnology Lab and a Fluid Mechanics PumpLab™.

The Charter School of Wilmington is ranked #8 on Niche’s 2020 Best Charter Schools in America List.

The Charter School of Wilmington is ranked #7 on the Best High Schools List for Charter High Schools in the nation by U.S. News & World Report (April 2019.)

The Charter School of Wilmington is a National Blue Ribbon School designated by the U.S. Department of Education (September, 2013 and September, 2019).

**COURSE REQUIREMENTS**
24.5 credits required for graduation including: at least 10 credits in mathematics, computer science, and science; 4 years of English; 3 years of social sciences; 2 years of world language; Junior Research; Health, physical education, and electives.

**STUDENT:TEACHER RATIO** 21:1

**AVERAGE CLASS SIZE** 22

**COLLEGE PLACEMENT RATE** 99%

**RECENT ACHIEVEMENTS**
- Highest average SAT scores in the State (among all public high schools) (2000-2019)
- 2014-2019 DIAA State Sportsmanship Award
- First Place in State at Delaware Science Olympiad (2000-2019); top one third in National Science Olympiad
- 196 students earned AP Scholar Awards in 2019 from the College Board
- State and National French, Latin and Spanish contest winners (2003-2019)
- First place at Delaware Math League Invitational (both 9th grade team & 10th-12th grade teams; 2000-2019)
- First Place in Regional Delaware Math League (2001-2019)
- First Place in Odyssey of the Mind Competition (2002-2019)
- “Superior performance” rating for overall school performance in Delaware Public School accountability ratings
- Recognition School by the Delaware Department of Education for exceptional performance (October, 2013)
- Top-scoring high school in the State on Delaware Math Assessments (1998-2018)
- Top-scoring high school in the State on Delaware Reading Assessments (1998-2018 10th-12th grades)
- United States National Physics Team (2002-2019); 53 semifinalists and 12 U.S. Physics Team members; 2003 and 2018 gold medalist; 2017 student placed in top 30 in U.S.
- Youth in Government Best Senator and Best First Year Participant 2013; Youth Governor and Chief Justice participants 2015, Youth Governor, Chief Justice and Editor in Chief participants 2018, Youth Chief Justice and Youth Chief Lobbyist participants 2019
- Delaware Theater Company – DE Young Playwrights Festival (3 finalists 2012, 2 finalists 2013, 2 finalists 2015, 1 finalist 2016, 1 finalist 2018)
- National Boys State President 2011, Vice President 2007, National Representative 2015, 2016, 2018
- National Girls State Chief Justice 2014
- USA Biology Olympiad semifinalists & finalists; Gold Medal International Competition 2008-2013, 2017, 2018, 2019
CORPORATE SPONSORS
The 1996 Consortium Member Companies include Bell Atlantic (now Verizon), Delmarva Power, DuPont Company, Hercules, Inc. (now Ashland), Medical Center of Delaware (now ChristianaCare), and AstraZeneca.

Today, employees of these companies continue to serve on the school’s Board of Directors.

BUS TRANSPORTATION
Contracted bus transportation is provided by the Red Clay Consolidated School District throughout the Red Clay School District.

DRESS CODE
Students must wear school shirts with a visible CSW logo. Solid color khaki style pants, skirts and shorts must meet the CSW dress code. Athletic shoes, dress shoes, and sandals with straps may be worn. No flip-flops are permitted.

IMPORTANT DATES
Open House:
Saturday, October 26, 2019
9:00 a.m. - 12 noon

Assessments:
December 14, 2019
January 11, 2020
7:45 a.m. - 12 noon
(for 8th grade students applying for 9th grade)

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VOLUNTEERING AND OUTREACH PROGRAMS
The Charter School of Wilmington’s signature outreach and volunteer programs (The Buddy Program, The Science Ambassadors, and The Jefferson Council) continue to have a positive impact in the community for nearly two decades. Our Jefferson Council was honored as a 2nd place national winner by the Jefferson Awards for their philanthropic contributions to the community.

JUNIOR RESEARCH AT THE CHARTER SCHOOL OF WILMINGTON
Our Junior Research Project is hailed by the local science community. This required program provides students with an authentic, in-depth experience in scientific research. Beginning sophomore year after a Scientific Research class, students propose a topic for investigation and create an experimental design for the investigation. Once the proposal is polished and approved, students conduct the experiment with mentors or science professionals and analyze the data. Juniors present their findings and also participate in the Science Fair.

ATHLETIC SUCCESS
The Charter School of Wilmington enjoys the highest rate of student participation in interscholastic athletics in Delaware. CSW teams have earned several conference and state championships in a variety of sports. CSW recently received the 2019 DIAA State Sportsmanship Award (for the sixth year in a row). In November 2018, our girls volleyball team won CSW’s first DIAA Girls Volleyball Championship with a straight-set sweep over Archmere Academy at the University of Delaware’s Bob Carpenter Center.