



Mastery Charter School Lenfest Campus

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MISSION All students learn the academic and personal skills they need to be truly prepared for postsecondary success and able to pursue their dreams.

GRADE POINT AVERAGE

All Mastery coursework is graded on a 1-100 scale. Starting in Fall 2019 students could earn credit for work scoring a 65 or higher. Prior to that, students only earned credit for work scoring a 76 or better. The new GPA scale (below) began with the 2019-2020 school year. For further details regarding our instructional model and grading policies since March 2019, please refer to the COVID Addendum.

QUARTILE	GPA RANGE
TOP	4.23 - 3.33
SECOND	3.32 - 2.95
THIRD	2.94 - 2.4
FOURTH	2.39 or Below

GPA SCALE

A	93-100 = 4.00
A-	90-92 = 3.67
B+	87-89 = 3.33
B	83-86 = 3.00
B-	80-82 = 2.67
C+	77-79 = 2.33
C	73-76 = 2.00
C-	70-72 = 1.67
D+	67-69 = 1.33
D	65-66 = 1.00
F	Below 65 = 0

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

In order to receive a high school diploma from a Mastery charter school, all students must:

- Complete and pass all courses registered from the start of enrollment to senior year
- Complete a professional internship
- Complete a Mastery-created senior project demonstrating the student's ability to work independently

The class of 2021 has 90 students.

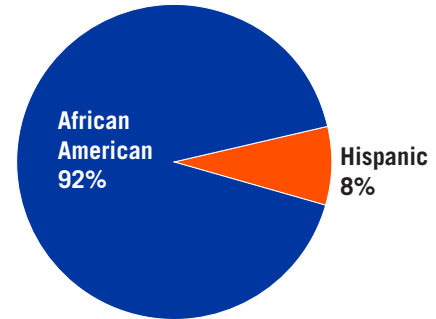


THE SCHOOL

Mastery Charter School – Lenfest Campus is a high-performing, college-preparatory charter school serving students in Northeast Philadelphia. The school opened its doors as a Mastery public charter school in 2001 and it is one of the highest performing public or public charter high schools in Philadelphia. The school currently has an enrollment total of **634 students in grades 7 through 12.**

59% of our student body is classified as economically disadvantaged (qualifying for the Free/Reduced Lunch program) and 27% receive Special Education services. A breakdown of student ethnic backgrounds is shown.

ENROLLMENT BY ETHNICITY



CURRICULUM OFFERED

ENGLISH

- English 9
- English 10
- American Literature
- British and World Literature
- AP Language

SCIENCE

- Physical Science
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Environmental Science
- Science Research

HISTORY

- African American History
- Modern World History
- US History
- Government and Economics
- AP Modern World History
- AP US History

MATHEMATICS

- Pre-Algebra
- Algebra I
- Algebra II & Trigonometry
- Geometry
- Business Math
- Pre-Calculus
- Calculus

LANGUAGE

- Spanish 1
- Spanish 2
- Spanish 3

ELECTIVE / SEMINAR

- Financial Literacy
- Freshman Seminar
- Sophomore Seminar: Internship
- Health/Physical Education 9
- Technology 9
- Senior Seminar
- Student Leadership
- Art 11/12
- Music 11/12
- Social Justice
- Keystone Prep
- Honors Internship

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

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|--------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Soccer | Green Thumb Gardening | Gaming | Gay Straight Alliance |
| Baseball | LenStep Step Team | Newspaper | Meditation |
| Wrestling | Cheerleading | Anime | Mentoring Through Sports |
| Lacrosse | Philadelphia Youth Poetry | Art Club | Student Dean |
| Student Government Association | Movement | STEM Club | Lenfest Tutors |
| National Honor Society | Yearbook | Strength & Conditioning | Girls Who Code |
| | Chess | Drumline/Music | Media Arts |



COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES FOR ALL MASTERY CHARTER STUDENTS

Agnes Scott College	SUNY	Cornell University	Five Towns College	Jefferson University
Alabama A&M University	Burlington College	Culinary Institute of America	Flagler College	JNA Institute of Culinary Arts
Albertus Magnus College	Cabrini University	Dartmouth College	Florida A&M University	Johns Hopkins University
Albright College	Cal State, Sacramento	Dean College	Florida Institute of Technology	Johnson & Wales University
Alderson-Broaddus College	Caldwell College	DeKalb Technical Institute	Florida Memorial University	Johnson C Smith University
All State Career Truck School	California University of PA	Delaware County Community College	Franklin & Marshall College	Johnson College
Allegheny College	Campbell University	Delaware State University	Franklin Pierce University	Juniata College
Allen University	Canisius College	Delaware Valley University	Full Sail Real World Education	Katherine Gibbs Institute
Alvernia College	Carlow University	Denison University	Gannon University	Kean University
Alvernia University	Carnegie Mellon University	DePaul University	George Mason University	Kent State University
AMDA College	Case Western Reserve University	DeSales University	George Washington University	Kentucky State University
American River College	Cazanovia College	DeVry University	Georgetown University	Kenyon College
American University	Cedar Crest College	Dickinson College	Georgia State University	Keuka College
Amherst College	Central Penn College	Dillard University	Gettysburg College	Keystone College
Andrew College	Central State University	Dowling College	Goldey Beacom College	King's College
Antioch College	Chaminade University of Honolulu	Drexel University	Goucher College	Kutztown University
Antonelli Institute	Champlain College	Duke University	Grambling State University	La Roche College
Arcadia University	Chatham University	East Carolina University	Grand Valley State University	La Salle University
Art Institute of Philadelphia	Chestnut Hill College	East Stroudsburg University	Gwynedd-Mercy University	Lackawanna College
Art Institute of Philadelphia	Cheyney University	Earlham College	Hampton University	Lafayette College
Ashford University	Christopher Newport University	Eastern Nazarene College	Harcum College	LaGrange College
Ashland University	Chubb Institute of Technology	Eastern University	Harrisburg University of Science & Technology	Lake Forest College
Automotive Training Center	Cittone Medical Institute	Eckerd College	Hartwick College	Landmark College
Aviation Institute of Maintenance	Clafin University	Edinboro University	Haverford College	Lane College
Babson College	Claremont McKenna College	Edward Waters College	Hobart & William Smith College	Langston University
Ball State University	Clarion University	Elizabeth City State University	Hofstra University	Lawrence University
Bates College	Clark Atlanta University	Elmhurst College	Holy Family University	Le Moyne College
Baylor University	Clark College	Embry-Riddle Aeronautical	Howard University	Lebanon Valley College
Beloit College	Clemson University	Emmanuel College	Hussian School of Art	Lees-McRae College
Benedict College	Cleveland State University	Emory University	Huston-Tillotson University	Lehigh University
Bennett College	Colby College	Empire Beauty School	Illinois College	Lehigh Valley College
Bentley University	College of Mount Saint Vincent	Endicott College	Immaculata University	Liberty University
Berkeley College	College of Saint Rose	Esperanza College	Indiana State University	LIM College
Bethune-Cookman University	College of Southern Nevada	Fairfield University	Indiana University of Pennsylvania	Lincoln Technical Institute
Bloomfield College	College of William & Mary	Fairleigh Dickinson University	Ithaca College	Lincoln University
Bloomsburg University	College of Wooster	Fashion Institute of Technology	ITT Technical Institute	Lock Haven University
Bluffton University	Columbia College Chicago	Fayetteville State University	James Madison University	Long Island University
Boston College	Columbia University	Fisher College	Jean Madeline Aveda Institute	Loyola University Chicago
Boston University	Community College of Philadelphia	Fisk University	Jefferson College of Health Sciences	Loyola University Maryland
Bowie State University	Conneticut College			Lycoming College
Brandeis University	Coppin State University			Lynn University
Bryn Athyn College				Macalaster College
Bryn Mawr College				Manhattan College
Bucknell University				Manhattanville College
Buffalo State College of				Manor College
				Mansfield University



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Marquette University	Northern Illinois University	Shippensburg University	University of Hartford	Military College
Mars Hill University	Norwich University	Skidmore College	University of Indianapolis	Vassar College
Mary Baldwin College	Notre Dame de Namur University	Slippery Rock University	University of Kansas	Villanova University
Marymount	Oberlin College of Arts and Sciences	Smith College	University of Kentucky	Virginia Commonwealth University
Manhattan College	Oglethorpe University	South Carolina State University	University of Maryland, College Park	Virginia State University
Marymount	Ohio University	Spelman College	University of Maryland, Eastern Shore	Virginia Union University
Manhattan College	Old Dominion University	St. Augustine's College	University of Massachusetts	Virginia Wesleyan College
Maryville College	Oregon State University	St. John Fisher College	University of Massachusetts, Amherst	Voorhees University
Marywood University	Orleans Technical Institute	St. John's University	University of Miami	Washington & Jefferson College
Mass College of Pharmacy	Our Lady of the Lake University	St. Simon Gratz High Aquinas College	University of Mississippi	Washington and Lee University
McDaniel College	Pace University	Stanford University	University of Nebraska at Lincoln	Washington College
Medaille College	Peirce College	Star Career Academy	University of New Hampshire	Washington State University
Mercy College	Pennsylvania College of Technology	State University of New York at Albany	University of New Haven	Washington U in St. Louis
Methodist University	Pennsylvania Institute of Technology	Stetson University	University of Notre Dame	Wayne State College
Miami Dade College	Pennsylvania State University	Stevenson University	University of Notre Dame Wellesley College	Waynesburg University
Miami University, Oxford	Pike's Peak College	Strayer University	University of Oregon	Wesley College
Michigan State University	Pine Manor College	SUNY at Albany	University of Pennsylvania	Wesleyan College
Middlebury College	Pointe Park University	Susquehanna University	University of Pittsburgh	Wesleyan University
Millersville University	Portland State University	Swarthmore College	University of Pittsburgh at Bradford	West Chester University
Mills College	Pulse Beauty Academy	Sweet Briar College	University of Pittsburgh at Greensburg	West Virginia University
Misericordia University	Purdue University	Syracuse University	University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown	West Virginia Wesleyan College
Monmouth University	Radford University	Talladega College	University of Pittsburgh at Titusville	Western Carolina University
Monroe College	Restaurant School at Walnut Hill	Temple University	University of Puget Sound	Western Michigan University
Montgomery County Community College	Roanoke College	Tennessee State University	University of Rhode Island	Westminster College
Moore College of Art and Design	Robert Morris University	Thaddeus Stevens College	University of San Francisco	Wheaton College MA
Moravian College	Rochester Institute of Tech	Thiel College	University of Scranton	Widener University
Morehouse College	Roosevelt University	Tiffin University	University of South Carolina	Wilmington University
Morgan State University	Rosemont College	Toni & Guy Academy	University of Southern California	Wilson College
Morris Brown University	Rowan University	Tougaloo College	University of Tampa	Winston-Salem State University
Morris College	Rutgers University	Towson University	University of the Arts	Winthrop University
Mount Aloysius College	Sage College of Albany	Tufts University	University of Virginia	Wittenberg University
Mount Holyoke College	Saint Augustine's University	Tulane University	University of Toledo	WVU Institute of Technology
Mount St. Mary's University	Saint Francis University	Tuskegee University	University of Valley Forge	Xavier University
Muhlenberg College	Saint Joseph's University	Tyler School of Art	University of Vermont	Xavier University of Louisiana
Neumann University	Saint Leo University	Universal Technical Institute	University of Virginia	York College of Pennsylvania
New England College	Saint Peter's University	University of Advancing Tech	Ursinus College	Youngstown State University
New York Institute of Technology	Saint Vincent College	University of Akron	Utica College	
New York University	San Jose State University	University of Alabama	VA Commonwealth University	
Newbury College	Sanford Brown Institute	University of Arizona	Valley Forge	
Niagara University	Savannah College Art & Design	University of Bridgeport		
Norfolk State University	Savannah State University	University of CA - Riverside		
North Carolina A&T	School of Visual Arts NY	University of Central Florida		
North Carolina Central University	Seton Hall University	University of Charleston		
North Carolina State University	Shaw University	University of Cincinnati		
Northampton Community College		University of Colorado		
Northeastern University		University of Delaware		
		University of Denver		



Dear Colleagues,

At Mastery, we serve predominantly low-income children of color. The intensity of the global pandemic coupled with increased racial tensions in our country has increased the stress and trauma they have likely experienced over the last several months. Given our mission, our most important priorities when finalizing our plan for this school year was to ensure safety, attend to the emotional well-being of our students, maintain high expectations for academic engagement and increase family engagement. The information that follows is applicable for March 2020-November 2020. Our network will reassess our landscape and determine the path forward for our learning model for December 2020 through the rest of the 2020-2021 school year.

SY 2019-2020, March 17, 2020 - June 12, 2020

Grading Policies

- No grades were issued from March 18-April 24, 2020 as we transitioned to our home academic practice all-virtual model. Students were provided with daily independent practice, virtual teacher support, printed packets mailed to homes and online units of study
- From April 27-June 11, 2020, we issued grades based on participation and completion of specific online lessons assigned for completion each week with virtual teacher support
- We extended our third reporting period (RP3) through the end of the school year and based final grades on a combination of RP3 work already completed (75% weight) prior to school closures and participation in home academic practice (25% weight) as noted above
- Students who successfully passed summer credit recovery were given a “P” for the course, the course credit, and a 76 was averaged into the student’s grade point average.

Standardized Tests

Due to test cancellations, roughly 17% of our seniors participated in the ACT exam in February 2020. The breakdown by school is listed below and campus specific details can be found in the school profiles. With the current state of testing, we have geared our efforts towards supporting students with other components of the application.

Campus	% who tested in Winter/Spring 2020
Lenfest	0%
Thomas	69%
Shoemaker	2%
Pickett	13%
Hardy	34%
Gratz	10%
Camden	0%



SY 2020-2021, Report Period 1, September 8, 2020 - November 16, 2020

Distance Learning Model

Our seven high schools, in Pennsylvania and New Jersey, are implementing a full virtual, distance learning model which contains a teacher centered component and an online, independent component. The teacher delivered component is provided via a combination of synchronous, asynchronous, and Zoom support sessions. Key features of this model include:

- All students and families receive 1-to-1 computers and home Internet access
- Students receive 2 days or 4 half days of synchronous instruction (per state mandates: min. 5.5 hours/day in PA, min. of 4 hours/day in NJ)
- Students have 3 days (or 1 full day and 4 half days) of asynchronous online learning and assignments
- Schools provide individual & small group phone or virtual supports to students

By October 1, 2020, high schools will have the option of bringing back small groups of students for in-person supports. By November 16, 2020, we will make a decision on whether or not we continue to provide a full virtual, distance learning model or move to a hybrid or in-person learning model.

Grading Policy

As we seek to accurately measure what students know and create plans to provide support and interventions, even in these unusual times, we underscore the importance of grading students on accuracy instead of effort. We also want to ensure our policies are fair to students and acknowledge the potential challenges that exist from this new learning mode. A few notable highlights of our grading policy:

- Grades are only aligned to student work and are based on accuracy.
- The lowest grade students can receive is 50.
- Students will not be penalized for late assignments or assessments.
- Grading Scale

		General	Honors	AP & Dual Enrollment
A	93-100	4	4.5	5
A-	90-92	3.67	4.17	4.67
B+	87-89	3.33	3.84	4.33
B	83-86	3	3.5	4
B-	80-82	2.67	3.17	3.67
C+	77-79	2.33	2.84	3.33
C	73-76	2	2.5	3
C-	70-72	1.67	2.17	2.67
D+	67-69	1.33	1.84	2.33
D	65-66	1	1.5	2
F	Below 65	0	0	0

We recognize that high schools across the nation have taken on various approaches during these extraordinary times, and we hope this letter provides transparency and clarification for how the academic performance of Mastery students has been evaluated since March 2020.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Justina Haynes, Director of Postsecondary Pathways at Justina.haynes@masterycharter.org.

Best,
Mastery Schools