

Independent School Survey

2011-2012

Delaware Valley independent schools have **increased financial aid** this year by an average of 7.4%, according to 164 area schools participating in the annual MetroKids Independent School Survey. Last year average aid increased 11%. The typical school financially assisted 30% of its students, up from 28% last year.

This year the average independent school's **enrollment increased** 1.7%, reversing two years of declines. **Median day tuition held steady** at about \$12,500; median boarding tuition rose to \$44,310 from \$42,750.

World language offerings were mostly unchanged. Spanish is offered at 145 schools, followed by

French (74 schools), Latin (70), Chinese (27) and Greek (12). Only 11 schools now offer German, compared to 17 last year. Hebrew is offered at 6 schools, and Italian and Japanese at 3. Other schools provide courses in American Sign Language, Armenian and Ukrainian.

In this chart, you'll find Delaware independent schools. You can view similar data for Pennsylvania and South Jersey schools at MetroKids.com/education (see School Survey, upper left). In our Education Guide just below those links, you can search independent schools by location, grades taught or gender.

School Website	City Zip Telephone	Enrollment Boys/Girls/Coed Grades Taught	Tuition Religious Affiliation	Languages Offered & Grade in which Instruction Begins	Uniform/Dress Code % Attend College # of AP Courses	Avg. SAT Score (math/reading/writing) Summer Program?	Extended Day? (AM or PM) % Receive Financial Aid Total Financial Aid	Points of Distinction
● Albert Einstein Academy www.aeacademy.org	Wilmington 19803 302-478-5026	48 Coed K,EL	\$8,500-\$12,500 Jewish	Hebrew-K	Code		PM 30% \$175,000	Dual language, Hebrew & Jewish studies taught; values based education; service to community is integral.
● Archmere Academy www.archmereacademy.com	Claymont 19703 302-798-6632	480 Coed HS	\$21,875 Roman Catholic	French-9, German-9, Spanish-9	Uniform 1 19	602/600/621 Yes	45% \$1.9 million	19 AP Courses; 100% college placement; 13 sports each for men & women; strong emphasis on moral & character development.
● Capitol Baptist School www.cbcofdover.com	Dover 19904 302-678-9190	37 Coed PS,K,EL,MS,HS	\$2,700-\$3,800 Baptist	Spanish-10	Uniform 75% 5	Yes	AM & PM NP NP	Serving for 40 years. Academic excellence in a distinctly Christian environment.
Caravel Academy www.caravel.org	Bear 19701 302-834-8938	1150 Coed PS,K,EL,MS,HS	\$7,025-\$8,850	French-6, Spanish-6	Uniform 99% 9	Yes	AM & PM NP NP	Baseball, football & softball teams state champs; teacher & aide in all classrooms, PreK-4. Ed line accessible to parents.
● Central Delaware Christian Academy www.cdacademy.org	Dover 19901 302-697-8407	80 Coed PS,K,EL,MS	\$1,990-\$2,900 Nondenominational Christian	Spanish-PS	Code	Yes	AM & PM 15% \$10,000	Member of the Association of Christian Schools International. Uses ABeka Curriculum.
● Elementary Workshop Montessori School www.elementaryworkshop.org	Wilmington 19801 302-656-1498	40 Coed PS,K,EL	\$5,500-\$11,200	Spanish-PS	Code		AM & PM 35% \$50,000	Convenient location; music, art, computer; fully accredited; Montessori certified teachers; historic building.
● Fairwinds Christian School www.fairwindsbaptist.com	Bear 19701 302-328-7404	200 Coed PS,K,EL,MS,HS	\$5,675 Independent Baptist	Spanish-K	Uniform 90%	Yes	NP NP	Black History Essay winners 4 straight years. 7 straight boys basketball champions. Christian Character award winners. Successful h.s. drama program.
Hockessin Montessori School, The www.thehms.org	Hockessin 19707 302-234-1240	150 Coed PS,K,EL,MS	\$7,000-\$13,000	Spanish-PS	None		AM & PM 10% NP	Multi-aged classrooms & an individualized approach to education assist in cultivating the child's innate love of learning.

Legend: ◆ — Residential school ● — Accommodates some disabilities NP — Not provided Grades Taught — PS-preschool (or nursery school, PreK), K-kindergarten, EL-elementary, MS-middle school, HS-high school

School Website	City Zip Telephone	Enrollment Boys/Girls/Coed Grades Taught	Tuition Religious Affiliation	Languages Offered & Grade in which Instruction Begins	Uniform/Dress Code % Attend College # of AP Courses	Avg. SAT Score (math/reading/writing) Summer Program?	Extended Day? (AM or PM) % Receive Financial Aid Total Financial Aid	Points of Distinction
● Independence School, The www.theindependenceschool.org	Newark 19711 302-239-0330	675 Coed PS,K,EL,MS	\$12,510	French-1, Latin-5, Spanish-1	Code 98%	Yes	AM & PM 9% \$270,000	Structured sequential learning; ability grouping; full art, band, chorus programs; 12 interscholastic sports.
Jefferson School, The www.jeffersonschool.com	Georgetown 19947 302-856-3300	100 Coed PS,K,EL,MS	\$8,470-\$9,240	Spanish-PS	Uniform	Yes	AM & PM 15% \$30,000	Integrated curriculum, hands-on project based; low student/teacher ratio.
● Layton Preparatory School www.laytonprep.org	New Castle 19720 302-395-1710	30 Coed HS	\$24,750	Spanish-9	Code 100% 2	Yes	55% \$285,000	Integrated support for organization of time, materials & information differences in processing speed & school anxiety.
● NCCL School www.NCCLschool.com	Newark 19711 302-368-7772	85 Coed K,EL,MS	\$9,252	Spanish-K	None		AM & PM 12% NP	
● Pike Creek Christian School www.pikecreekchristianschool.org	Newark 19711 302-731-7773, ext. 108	135 Coed PS,K,EL,MS	\$5,000-\$7,200 Nondenomina- tional	Spanish-K	Code	Yes	AM & PM 7% \$19,000	PCCS has provided a safe nurturing environment with high academics and solid foundational truths to families for more than 35 years.
● Red Lion Christian Academy www.redlionca.org	Bear 19701 302-834-2526	725 Coed PS,K,EL,MS,HS	\$3,645-\$8,305 Protestant	Spanish-1	Uniform 99% 8	557/581/561 Yes	AM & PM 30% NP	Christ-centered; nationally & regionally accredited; Honors & AP courses; online dual credit courses; transportation & learning support available.
● ◆ Saint Andrews School www.standrews-de.org	Middletown 19709 302-285-4231	295 Coed HS	\$47,000 Episcopal	Chinese-9, Fren.-9, Grk.-9, Lat.-9, Span.-9	Code 1	655/643/650	46% \$4.9 million	An amazing academic experience in a unique, fully residential community; endless opportunities & relationships are remarkable.
Saint Annes Episcopal School www.saintannesschool.org	Middletown 19709 302-378-3179	310 Coed PS,K,EL,MS	\$6,900-\$14,025 Episcopal	Spanish-PK	Uniform	Yes	AM & PM 30% \$550,000	Middle States Accreditation, small class size, rigorous academics; focus on enhancing students' intellectual, spiritual, physical, social & artistic growth.
Saint Edmond's Academy www.stedmondsacademy.org	Wilmington 19810 302-475-5370	250 Boys PS,K,EL,MS	\$6,760-\$14,422 Roman Catholic	Spanish-PS	Uniform	Yes	AM & PM 29% \$500,000	An independent Catholic Academy for boys PS-8 in the tradition of Holy Cross. Empowering boys with values & skills for lifelong success.
● Salesianum School www.salesianum.org	Wilmington 19802 302-654-2495	1000 Boys HS	\$12,000 Roman Catholic	French-9, Latin-9, Spanish-9	Code 99% 22	570/565/545 Yes	NP \$500,000	Named one of the nation's top 50 Catholic High Schools by the Catholic Honor Roll.
● Sanford School www.sanfordschool.org	Hockessin 19707 302-239-5263	600 Coed PS,K,EL,MS,HS	\$10,500-\$22,000	French-PS, Latin-PS, Spanish-PS	Code 1 16	590/591/587 Yes	AM & PM 30% \$2.1 million	Rigorous curriculum; small classes; outstanding teachers; diverse community including international students; award-winning arts & athletics.

Legend: ◆ — Residential school ● — Accommodates some disabilities NP — Not provided Grades Taught — PS-preschool (or nursery school, PreK), K-kindergarten, EL-elementary, MS-middle school, HS-high school

School Website	City Zip Telephone	Enrollment Boys/Girls/Coed Grades Taught	Tuition Religious Affiliation	Languages Offered & Grade in which Instruction Begins	Uniform/Dress Code % Attend College # of AP Courses	Avg. SAT Score (math/reading/writing) Summer Program?	Extended Day? (AM or PM) % Receive Financial Aid Total Financial Aid	Points of Distinction
Seaford Christian Academy www.seafordchristian.org	Seaford 19973 302-629-7161	70 Coed PS,K,EL,MS,HS	\$3,900 Baptist	Spanish-3	Uniform 0.85		AM & PM NP \$15,000	Accredited by ACSI & Middle States Association of Colleges & Schools; National & Junior Honor Societies.
Tall Oaks Classical School www.talloaksde.org	New Castle 19720 302-738-3337	230 Coed K,EL,MS,HS	\$4,900-\$7,670 Protestant Reformed	Greek-11, Latin-3, Spanish-9	Uniform 96%	596/664/631 Yes	PM 10% \$50,000	Classical & Christian education equips children to think & communicate from a Biblical world view by persevering in excellence with joy.
Tatnall School, The www.tatnall.org	Wilmington 19807 302-998-2292	664 Coed PS,K,EL,MS,HS	\$10,700-\$23,730	French-5, Latin-5, Spanish-5	Code 1 24	Yes	AM & PM 19% \$1.7 million	Balanced liberal arts program of academics, athletics & the arts. Blends tradition & technology in an individualized environment.
Tome School, The www.tomeschool.org	North East, MD 21901 410-287-2050	500 Coed K,EL,MS,HS	\$4,025-\$6,700	French-1, Latin-5, Spanish-1	Uniform 95% 1	597/591/609 Yes	PM 30% NP	Class of 2010 received merit scholarship offers in excess of \$3.9 million.
● Tower Hill School www.towerhill.org	Wilmington 19806 302-575-0550	750 Coed PS,K,EL,MS,HS	\$12,950-\$24,950	French-5, Latin-5, Spanish-PS	Code 100%	661/643/633 Yes	PM 20% \$1.7 million	4 or more 2007-2011 grads attended Columbia, Harvard, Stanford or Yale. AP test prep offered.
● Ursuline Academy www.ursuline.org	Wilmington 19806 302-658-7158	485 Girls/Coed PS,K,EL,MS,HS	\$5,600-\$16,900 Roman Catholic	French-7, Latin-6, Spanish-PS	Uniform 100% 18	539/581/599 Yes	AM & PM 35% NP	PreK & Montessori programs; Comp. Lab & Laptop carts in Lower School; grades 7-12 have own laptops; coed PreK-3, girls 4-12.
● ◆ West Nottingham Academy www.wna.org	Colora, MD 21917 410-658-5556	120 Coed HS	\$16,050, \$40,750 (boarding)	French-10, Spanish-9	Uniform 100% 9		51% \$755,000	7:1 student/teacher ratio, small classes, personal attention. Boarding available for 9th grade & up.
Wilmington Christian School www.wilmingtonchristian.org	Hockessin 302-239-2121, ext. 3205	472 Coed PS,K,EL,MS,HS	\$6,575-\$11,080 Nondenominational	German-9, Spanish-9	Uniform 96% 5	610/580/580 Yes	AM & PM 19% NP	Provides a challenging academic environment while helping students develop a Biblical worldview. Extra-curricular offerings elementary through h.s.
Wilmington Friends School www.wilmingtonfriends.org	Wilmington 19803 302-576-2930	780 Coed PS,K,EL,MS,HS	\$6,150-\$22,475 Quaker	Chinese-6, French-6, Spanish-PS	Code 100% 33	611/617/617 Yes	AM & PM 27% \$2 million	Global education at all grade levels; engagement of complex issues; emphasis on critical/creative thinking, communication & leadership.
● Wilmington Junior Academy www.wjasda.com	Wilmington 19808 302-998-0530	30 Coed PS,K,EL,MS	\$5,407 Seventh-Day Adventist		Uniform	Yes	AM & PM 50% \$32,000	Values spiritual & moral growth & academic excellence; multi-grade classes; family-like environment, caring Christian staff.
● Wilmington Montessori School www.wmsde.org	Wilmington 19810 302-475-0555	260 Coed PS,K,EL	\$5,765-\$14,550	French-PS	Code	Yes	AM & PM 33% \$483,731	Focus on independent thinking & global awareness within Montessori philosophy. Meets child's individual learning needs. Toddler/infant care.

Legend: ◆ — Residential school ● — Accommodates some disabilities NP — Not provided Grades Taught — PS-preschool (or nursery school, PreK), K-kindergarten, EL-elementary, MS-middle school, HS-high school