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## MEDIA RELEASE



### Columbus High School Earns Two Spots on Newsweek's 2016 Top High Schools Lists

(Columbus, GA)-Newsweek ranks Columbus High School 485 out of a class of 500 of America's 2016 *Top High Schools* across the country. In addition, Columbus High School is recognized as one the *Top High Schools Beating the Odds*, 345 out of 500, preparing students for college while overcoming the obstacles of those who are subject to economic challenges.

Top High Schools Rank	School	State	College Ready	Graduation Rate	College Bound	Poverty
#485	Columbus High School	GA	74.3%	100%	100%	20.3%
Top High Schools Beating the Odds Rank	School	State	College Ready	Graduation Rate	College Bound	Poverty
#345	Columbus High School	GA	69.2%	100%	100%	20.3%

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“The Columbus High Blue Devils are extremely proud of this achievement and it is primarily due to high expectations, high standards, and the hard work of our students, teachers and parents,” said Dr. Marvin Crumbs, Principal. “We are committed to the success of every student and understand the importance our work has on their ability to be college and career ready as well as the important role each of them play in being productive citizens in our school district, community, and world.”

The Columbus High School Liberal Arts College Preparatory Program is designed to develop a well-rounded student by offering a wide range of advanced college preparatory courses in English, mathematics, social studies, science, foreign language, computers, and fine arts. Students are expected to take courses in all areas through a core curriculum that is compacted, accelerated, and that exceeds state standards. The curriculum has the flexibility, however, to meet individual academic goals and interests. Individual interests are met through diverse elective offerings, gifted classes, 27 Advanced Placement Courses, and the opportunity for students to develop an academic concentration in an area of their interest ranging from mathematics and science to English or the fine arts. Students learn to make decisions and to budget time by balancing homework, athletics, extracurricular activities, and community service. 80% of the student body is involved in extracurricular activities.

For more information, contact Columbus High School, (706) 748-2534, or access Newsweek’s rankings for [America’s Top High Schools](#) and [Top High Schools Beating the Odds](#).

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