Highland Park High School



2025-2026 School Profile

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The School

Highland Park High School, located in Middlesex County, New Jersey, is a four-year public co-educational high school that prepares its graduates for a wide variety of post high school educational placements. A single comprehensive curriculum allows all students, with counselor assistance, to design a program tailored to their needs, abilities, and interest. HPHS operates on a traditional full-year schedule with semester options. The Highland Park School District is comprised of one high school, a middle school, an elementary school, and a primary school. The high school's current enrollment is **501** students with a **167:1** student to counselor ratio. The teaching faculty consists of **46** professionals.

The Community

The community of Highland Park, which has a population of 14,060, is contiguous to Edison and New Brunswick, the location of Rutgers University. Current demographic statistics for the grade 9-12 program are: 19% Asian, 10% African American, 26% Hispanic, 5% Multiracial, 40% Caucasian, and .2% other.

PROGRAM OF STUDIES

SUBJECT	ADVANCED PLACEMENT	HONORS COURSES	COLLEGE PREP	ACADEMIC ELECTIVES
ENGLISH	Language & Composition Literature & Composition	English 9 English 10 English 11 English 12	English 9 English 10 English 11 English 12 Read 180 Language Arts Support English as a Second Language I, II & III *Murder, Mysteries & Mayhem *Nonfiction & Documentaries *Contemporary Global Voices *Graphic Novels	Journalism Advanced Journalism Creative Writing Adv. Creative Writing African American Literature The Language of Film I &II *(all courses are one Semester in length)*
MATHEMATICS	Calculus AB Calculus BC Multivariable Calculus	Geometry Algebra II Pre-Calculus	Algebra I & II Geometry Math Essentials Pre-Calculus Calculus Probability & Statistics Math Support 12 Algebra 1 &II Support Geometry Support	
SCIENCE	Physics I – A or C Physics II Chemistry Biology Environmental Science	Biology Chemistry	Biology Environmental Science Chemistry/Applied Chemistry Forensic Science Nutritional Science Physics/Applied Physics Zoology	
SOCIAL STUDIES	World History: Modern U.S. History U.S. Government & Politics Psychology	U.S. History I U.S. History II	World History U.S. History I U.S. History II Intro to Economics and Personal Finance	Civics in Modern America International Relations Criminal Justice Race, Gender, Ethnicity Intro to General Psychology Social Psychology *(Courses are one Semester in length)*
WORLD LANGUAGE	Spanish Language	Spanish II, III, IV, V	Spanish for Native Speakers I & II Spanish I, II, III, IV, V Mandarin I, II, III, IV Mandarin Heritage I & II Culture and Civilization	

CAREER-TECHNICAL
Business and Personal Law
Principles of Marketing
Accounting
Virtual Business I
Virtual Sports & Entertainment Management
Business Applications
Skills for Success
Work Study Program

FINE ARTS
Drawing
Painting
Printmaking
Sculpture I & II
Ceramics I & II
Digital Photography I & II
Public Art

PHYSICAL EDUCATION/HEALTH
Grades 9, 10, 11 & 12
Driver Education 10
Personal Health & Fitness
Teen PEP

TECHNOLOGY
Architectural Drawing
Graphic Design
Web Design I & II
Intro to Comp Science & Programming
AP Computer Science A
Music Technology I &II
Computer Programming
*AP Computer Science Principles

PERFORMANCE ARTS
Cantus
Concert Choir
Jazz Workshop
Band
Philharmonic Orchestra
Vivace
Pep Band
Music Technology I & II
Introduction to Music Theory
AP Music Theory
Brass & Percussion Sectional
Woodwind, upper/lower string and voice
Intro to Acoustic Guitar
Introduction to Keyboard
Exploration of Music in Modern Society

SENIOR & JUNIOR ELECTIVES
Independent Study
WISE Individualized Senior Experience
Global Citizenship

* not offered in 2024-2025

GRADING SYSTEM

	CP	Hon.	AP	%
A+	4.3	4.8	5.05	97-100
A	4.0	4.5	4.75	93-96
A-	3.7	4.2	4.45	90-92
B+	3.3	3.8	4.05	87-89
B	3.0	3.5	3.75	83-86
B-	2.7	3.2	3.45	80-82
C+	2.3	2.8	3.05	77-79
C	2.0	2.5	2.75	73-76
C-	1.7	2.2	2.45	70-72
D+	1.3	1.8	2.05	67-69
D	1.0	1.5	1.75	63-66
D-	0.7	1.2	1.45	60-62
F	0.0			59 and below

SAT MEAN SCORES

	ERW	Math
HPHS	638	649
NJ	531	519
National	520	508

ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMS

Total Exams Taken	303
Percent Scoring 3 or higher	93%

AP SCHOLAR SUMMARY

	AP Scholar	AP Honor	AP Distinction
Number of Scholars	25	16	34
Average Score	3.62	4.16	4.33

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

National Merit Commended	2
National Merit Semi Finalists	0

CLASS OF 2025 POST-SECONDARY DATA

Class Size	**118**
4-Year College	**58%**
2-Year College	**22%**
Military	**0**
Vocational	**3%**
Gap Year	**17%**

College Matriculation – Class of 2025

Recent graduates of Highland Park High School are enrolled at the following institutions.

BENNINGTON COLLEGE

BOSTON UNIVERSITY

BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY

CALDWELL UNIVERSITY

COLORADO UNIVERSITY

CONNECTICUT COLLEGE

DREXEL UNIVERSITY

EMBRY RIDDLE AERONAUTICAL UNIVERSITY

FELICIAN UNIVERSITY

FORDHAM UNIVERSITY

INDIANA UNIVERSITY

INNOVATE SALON

ITHACA COLLEGE

KEAN UNIVERSITY

LAFAYETTE COLLEGE

LINCOLN TECH

MCGILL UNIVERSITY

MERCER COUNTY COLLEGE

MIDDLESEX COLLEGE

MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY

MUHLENBERG UNIVERSITY

NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY

PENN STATE UNIVERSITY

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY

SAINT PETER'S TRAINING PROGRAM

SAINT PETERS UNIVERSITY

SCHOOL OF VISUAL ARTS

STEVENS INSITUTE

SUSSEX COMMUNITY COLLEGE

SYRACUSE UNIVERSIY

UNIVERSITY MIAMI

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

UNIVERSITY OF MAINE

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH

VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY

WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY

WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

WILLIAM PATTERSON UNIVERSITY