



John Jay High School

KATONAH-LEWISBORO UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Community

Katonah-Lewisboro is a suburban community of 21,000 people located in Westchester County, New York, 50 miles north of New York City. The school district includes the communities of Cross River, Goldens Bridge, Katonah, Lewisboro, North Salem, Pound Ridge, Purdys, South Salem, Waccabuc and Vista. Residents are primarily professionals with a strong commitment to education and to the success of each student.

School

John Jay High School serves 852 students in a four-year program accredited by the New York State Board of Regents and the Tri-State Consortium. The school offers AP, Honors, College Prep, dual enrollment and special education programs on a two-day rotating block schedule.

Its 90 master's-level faculty are recognized among the best in Westchester, committed to academic excellence and lifelong learning. Students engage in rigorous coursework, award-winning research programs, a state champion robotics team, over 40 clubs, and robust arts, theatre, and athletic opportunities.

John Jay fosters a caring community that emphasizes leadership and service.

Student Achievement

The school graduated 224 students in June 2026 with 96% of these students moving on to higher education. Of these college-bound students, 92% planned on attending four-year colleges and universities. Approximately 87% of the student body participates in at least one extracurricular activity. Noteworthy are: a unique governing body which models the U.S. Congress, Campus Congress; an outstanding music and performing arts program; our award-winning school newspaper, *The John Jay Focus*; and over 70 interscholastic athletic teams, at the modified, freshman, junior varsity and varsity levels, many of which are perennial playoff contenders.

Visits by Admissions Representatives:

College representatives are welcome to schedule visits via SCOIR.

PROFILE 2026-2027

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2026-2027 Curriculum

English

- Juniors have a choice of AP English Literature, The English Experience in the 21st Century, or English 11 (H) Journalism (H).
- Seniors have a choice of AP English Language and Composition, AP Literature & Composition, Literary Analysis & Creative Writing (H), Social and Theoretical Criticism and English 21-12 (H)

Social Studies

- Juniors have a choice of AP US History, US History and AP Psychology.
- Seniors have a choice of AP US Government & Politics, AP Psychology, AP Macroeconomics, African American Studies, Law, Economics, The History of New York City, and The World at War.

Mathematics

- AP Offerings: Calculus (AB and BC) and Statistics
- Mathematics classes are homogeneously grouped: college preparatory and honors. More than four years of college preparatory math is offered to accommodate a range of abilities.
- Trigonometry is incorporated into the Common Core Geometry, Algebra 2 and Pre-Calculus curriculum.

Science

- AP Offerings: Physics 1, C: Mechanics and C: Electricity & Magnetism, Chemistry, Biology, and Environmental Science
- College Prep Offerings: Biology, Chemistry, & Physics
- Elective Offerings: Anatomy & Physiology, Environmental Physics (H), Forensic Science, Marine Biology and Astronomy
- All 9th grade students begin with Pre AP Biology (starting in 2025)

World Language

- AP Offerings: French, Latin and Spanish.
- French, Latin, and Spanish are offered

Art

- AP Offerings: Studio Art: Drawing, 2D Art & Design, and 3D Art & Design
- Studio Projects, Studio Art & Design, Drawing & Painting, Ceramics & Sculpture, Photography & Film-making

Theatre Arts Program

- Introduction to Theatre, Acting, Advanced Acting and Actor's Studio

Music

- Band, Orchestra, Wind Ensemble, Vocal Jazz, Music History and Theory, Music Technology and Advanced Music Technology

Business and Technology Education

- AP Offerings: Computer Science A, Computer Science Principles, Business with Personal Finance
- Business Dynamics, Computer Science, Design & Draw for Production, Marketing 1 & 2, Robotics 1 & 2, Principles of Engineering

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Humanities Research - Honors 1, 2, 3:

A two-year course sequence designed for students who are interested in and have a strong desire to investigate and better the world around them. Students in this course research multiple avenues of the humanities, then focus on one topic and work towards the completion of a full-length research paper (30-35pp). Some notable projects have been the creation of an alumni network connecting college freshman and JJHS seniors, an art program for the children at Northern Westchester Hospital, and a holiday drive supporting mothers in the mother/baby unit in the Bedford Prison. The course is only for the most self-motivated and independent learners in the school.

Robotics:

11th and 12th grade students can take Robotics levels 1 and 2. Those who join the robotics team compete in the NY Excelsior League, considered one of the world's most competitive leagues. Every year, they make it to the NYS Championships. Statistically, the program ranks within the top 5% globally, going up against around 7,000 teams worldwide. Over the past three years, the Gene Hass Foundation has provided the team with \$26,000 in sponsorships.

Science Research - Honors 1, 2, 3:

A three-year program which provides independent, self-motivated, keenly interested students an opportunity to experience authentic science research. In senior year, students prepare their work for presentations at local, regional and state science symposia and student research competitions. Award winning program, with 20 regional awards and 8 WESEF awards, including one Grand Prize and 1st place award received. Awards have been received for innovation, creativity and sustainability.

Senior Independent Experience:

A program that facilitates independent learning experiences for over 200 students in the last four to six weeks of senior year. These opportunities will include "full-time" internships and volunteer work overseen by site supervisors.

Project Lead the Way (PLTW):

PLTW is a hands-on, project based STEM (Science, Technology Engineering, and Math) curriculum designed to prepare students for college and careers by identifying problems, testing ideas and building solutions. John Jay HS PLTW courses in Computer Science and Principles of Engineering are affiliated with Rochester Institute of Technology.

Our complete course description guide can be accessed on line at:
klschools.org/courses

Class of 2026 ACT Mean Scores

ACT Summary	College Ready	John Jay Student Mean
English	18	27
Mathematics	22	27
Reading	22	29
Science Reasoning	23	27
Composite	21	28
<i>63 students took the ACT</i>		

Class of 2026 SAT Mean Scores

SAT Summary	John Jay Student Mean
Evidence-Based Reading & Writing	634
Math	628
Total	1262
<i>143 students took the SAT</i>	

Class of 2026 3 Year GPA Distribution

Quintile	GPA Range	# of Students
1	97.5357 - 100+	48
2	94.3898 - 97.5263	47
3	90.5094 - 94.3571	48
4	85.3061 - 90.4510	47
5	68.1389 - 85.32885	43
		233

Grade Point Average

The grade point average, computed at the end of the junior year, includes all courses in which a student received a grade, with the exception of physical education. Advanced placement and honors courses each receive a weighting of 5 points to the GPA calculation. STUDENTS ARE NOT ASSIGNED A RANK IN CLASS.

2026 Advanced Placement Examinations*

Test	# of Exams Taken	% of Grades 3 or Higher
Biology	57	75
Calculus AB	24	79
Calculus BC	23	96
Chemistry	21	95
Computer Science A	13	62
Computer Science Principles	10	90
Drawing	6	100
Eng. Lang./Composition	49	90
Eng. Lit./Composition	104	91
Env. Science	32	53
European History	99	96
French Language	6	83
Macroeconomics	97	66
Physics I	94	81
Physics: Mechanics	19	68
Physics C: Electricity & Magnetism	19	63
Psychology	91	97
Spanish Language	11	100
Statistics	25	80
U.S. Government & Politics	106	87
U.S. History	159	86

*** Note:** Scores withheld due to limited participation in 3D Art and Design, Latin and Music Theory.

**** Note:** Comparative Gov't & Politics, Human Geography and World History Modern were taken as test only by 1 student who scored a 5 on all 3 exams. One student took Microeconomics as test only and scored a 5.

John Jay High School has open enrollment for all AP examinations.
In 2026, 453 John Jay students took 1,079 exams.

**John Jay High School
administers the
following
NYS Regents exams**

- Algebra 1 (Common Core)
- Biology
- Global History
- US History
- ELA (Common Core)
- Geometry

Colleges/Universities Being Attended by the Classes of 2025 and 2026

A

Aberystwyth University
Amherst College

B

Barnard College
Bates College
Berklee College of Music
Binghamton University
Boston College
Boston University
Brown University
Bucknell University

C

Cal Poly
Case Western Reserve University
Clark University
Clarkson University
Clemson University
Coastal Carolina University
Colby College
Colgate University
College of Charleston
College of the Holy Cross
Connecticut College
Cornell University
CT State Community College (Norwalk)
Culinary Institute of America
CUNY Hunter College
CUNY Kingsborough Community College

D

Dartmouth College
Denison University
Drexel University
Duke University

E

Elon University
Emmanuel College
Emory & Henry University
Emory University
Endicott College

F

Fairfield University
Florida State University
Fordham University

G

George Mason University
Georgia Tech

H

Hamilton College
Hartwick College
High Point University
Hobart and William Smith Colleges
Hofstra University

I

Indiana University (Bloomington)
Iona University
Ithaca College

J

James Madison University
Johns Hopkins University

K

Kenyon College

L

Lafayette College
Lehigh University
Long Island University
Louisiana State University
Loyola Marymount University
Lynn University

M

Manhattan University
Manhattanville University
Marion Military Institute
Marist University
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Mercy University
Miami University
Michigan State University

N

New York University
North Carolina State University
Northeastern University
Northwestern University

P

Pace University (New York City)
Pace University (Westchester)
Penn State University
Pratt Institute
Princeton University
Providence College
Purdue University

Q

Quinnipiac University

R

Rochester Institute of Technology
Roger Williams University
Russell Sage College
Rutgers University

S

Sacred Heart University
Salve Regina University
San Diego State University
Sarah Lawrence College
School of Visual Arts
Siena University
Skidmore College
Southern Methodist University
Spelman College
St. John's University (New York)
Stevens Institute of Technology
Stevenson University
Stony Brook University
SUNY Albany
SUNY Alfred State
SUNY Buffalo
SUNY Buffalo State University
SUNY Cobleskill
SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry
SUNY Cortland
SUNY Delhi
SUNY Geneseo
SUNY Maritime College
SUNY Morrisville
SUNY New Paltz
SUNY Old Westbury
SUNY Oneonta
SUNY Plattsburgh
SUNY Westchester Community College
Susquehanna University
Swarthmore College
Syracuse University

T

Temple University
Texas Christian University
Texas Tech University
The Citadel
The College of Wooster
The Julliard School
The Ohio State University
The University of Edinburgh
Trinity College
Tufts University
Tulane University

U

Union College
United States Military Academy
University College London
University of California (Davis)
University of California (Los Angeles)
University of California (Santa Barbara)
University of Colorado (Boulder)
University of Connecticut
University of Delaware
University of Denver
University of Florida
University of Georgia
University of Hartford
University of Illinois (Urbana-Champaign)
University of Kentucky
University of Maine (Farmington)
University of Maryland
University of Massachusetts (Lowell)
University of Miami
University of Michigan
University of Missouri
University of New Haven
University of North Carolina (Chapel Hill)
University of Notre Dame
University of Pennsylvania
University of Pittsburgh
University of Richmond
University of Rochester
University of South Carolina
University of Southern California
University of St. Andrews
University of Tampa
University of Toronto
University of Vermont
University of Virginia
University of Wisconsin

V

Vanderbilt University
Vassar College
Villanova University
Virginia Tech

W

Wake Forest University
Washington and Lee University
Wentworth Institute of Technology
Wesleyan University
Western Connecticut State University
Wingate University