



# LOWER MERION HIGH SCHOOL

## Lower Merion School District

Nationally recognized for excellence in education

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### ADMINISTRATION

- Robert Copeland, *Superintendent*
- Rich Marta, *Supervisor of K-12 Counseling, Testing, & Holistic Supports*
- Sean Hughes, *Principal*
- Karen de Franco, *Assistant Principal*
- Jon Fadely, *Assistant Principal*
- Scott Kilpatrick, *Assistant Principal*
- Tyrone Ross, *Assistant Principal*
- Jason Stroup, *Athletic Director*
- Cameron King, *Registrar*
- Darlene Mandarino, *Counseling Secretary*

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Lower Merion School District serves the 62,000 residents of Lower Merion Township and Narberth Borough, a diverse, suburban community located just west of Philadelphia. The ethnic/racial composition of the school district is: 68% White/Caucasian, 8% Black/African-American, 11% Asian Pacific Islander, 5% Hispanic, and 8% Multi-Racial.

### HONORS COURSES

**Art:** Advanced Ceramics and Metal Arts 3/4/5, Advanced Film Photography 3/4/5, Art 1/2/3, Communication Design 3/4/5, 9th grade Art

**English:** 1/2/3; Creative Expression and Performance 1/2, Heroes and Monsters: Classic British Lit, Journalism, Modern and Contemporary Literature, Reading and Writing Non-Fiction, Sports and Society, Theater Arts- Drama Survey and Appreciation

**Mathematics:** Algebra 2, Advanced Topics in Linear Algebra and Discrete Mathematics, Computer Science 1/2, Computer Science Seminar, Geometry, Pre-calculus, Senior Seminar, Visual Programming

**Music:** Concert Band, Concert Choir, Freshman Chorus, Symphony Orchestra, Music Major

**Science:** Architectural Design, Astronomy, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Aided Drafting and Design, Foundations of Engineering and Design, Genetics, Human Anatomy/Physiology, Innovation and Intervention Robotics, Landscape Architecture/Horticulture, Meteorology, Physics, Oceanography, Organic Chemistry

**Social Studies:** Economics, Global Studies I, Global Studies II, Modern History through Media, Philosophy and Modern Culture, Psychology, Theology and Modern Culture, U.S. Government, U.S. History

**World Languages:** French 1/2/3/4/5, Japanese 1/2, Latin 1/2/3/4, Spanish 1 (Spanish Speaker), 2/3/4/5/6 (for Global Competence)

All courses designated on the transcript by the word Honors or the letter H are accelerated and enriched.

### GENERAL INFORMATION

Grades: .....9-12	Full time Faculty:.....145
Enrollment:..... 1539	Teacher to Student Ratio:..... 1:10
Graduating Class:..... 345	Length of Semester: .....18 weeks
Type of School:.....Public	Class Periods: .....55 minutes

While students are encouraged to grow academically, we counsel students to balance their course load with all their obligations outside and beyond the classroom.

### ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES

Art	Latin
Biology	Music Theory
Calculus: AB and BC	Psychology
Chemistry	Physics 1
Computer Science A	Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism;
Economics: Macro, Micro	Mechanics
English: Language and Composition;	Spanish Language
Literature and Composition	Statistics
Environmental Science	United States History
French Language	United States Government/Politics
Human Geography	

Courses are designated on the student's transcript with AP.

### CALCULATION OF GRADE POINT AVERAGE

Grade point average (GPA) is calculated at the end of each school year using only final grades in the five major academic areas: English, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, and World Languages. Honors, AP, and IB level courses are calculated on a weighted 5.0 scale and College Prep courses are calculated on a 4.0 scale. The GPA is reported on a weighted 5.0 scale.

### CLASS RANK

No class rank is recorded on a student's transcript.

Any institution may request in writing from the School Counseling Department the class rank of any student if class rank is required for admission to that school or needed for any scholarship program. The class rank reported is weighted and includes only major academic subject courses completed in grades 9-11.

