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THE COMMUNITY

The Victor Central School District draws its 4,335 students from the towns of Victor, Farmington, Macedon, Bloomfield and Perinton. There are 1,394 students in the high school, 19% of them receive free or reduced lunch. The high school has 161 full and part time faculty. The towns are primarily residential suburbs of Rochester. The towns of Victor and Farmington are among the fastest growing suburban communities in New York State.

CURRICULUM SUMMARY

Victor High School offers a strong college preparatory curriculum with approximately 90% of Victor graduates continuing their education after graduation. Victor is an International Baccalaureate School and was designated a Rewards School by the New York State Department of Education for high student achievement. Victor offers over 118 courses on a block schedule with four 85 minute blocks each day. Regents and Advanced Placement science courses typically meet three blocks in each four-day rotation, and other full credit courses meet two blocks in each four day rotation. Half-credit courses meet either two blocks in a four day rotation for one semester or one block in a four day rotation for the full year. This fall 90% of students are hybrid learners at Victor High School two days per week and 10% of students chose to be 100% digital learners.

GRADING SYSTEM

Prior to distance learning, during the 2019-20 school year, grading was numerical, unweighted and unranked, with a passing average of 65. Due to the reality of distance learning with existing inequities, all grades and grade notes earned during the 2019-20 school year appeared on our new custom transcript to provide you with authentic student data instead of a numerically calculated GPA, and final grades for the school year are P or I. This resulted in only a 5-semester GPA on the transcript for current seniors, which did not include full year courses and second semester courses for the 2019-20 school year.

Recently, specific concerns were raised that the numerical grades of the 2019-20 school year should be included in the overall GPA. Those concerns led our administration to make changes to our new transcript to reflect a complete GPA history for our students. Therefore, we have now calculated a 6-semester GPA. This includes a GPA for the 2019-20 school year where final grades for full year courses were calculated with a value of 29.33% for quarters 1, 2 and 3 and 12% value for the midterm grade. Final grades for second semester courses reflect the quarter 3 average as the final grade.

We understand this change may not be consistent with our students' self-reporting of grades on their college application. Please know that the discrepancy is due to the recent changes made at the administrative level. The student is not responsible for the discrepancy. As always, we appreciate your holistic review of the student's transcript and application for insight into progress made before and during distance learning.



ELECTIVE PROGRAMS



International Baccalaureate (IB) Program

Victor High School is an International Baccalaureate World School. Victor High School's IB Diploma Program includes 23 course options in English, math, history, science, business, French, Spanish, music, and the visual arts. The program includes three distinct features: Theory of Knowledge; Creativity, Action & Service; and the Extended Essay.

SUNY/FLCC "Gemini" Program

SUNY/FLCC offers dual-enrollment "Gemini" courses, taught by our Victor High School Faculty who have been approved by SUNY/FLCC to teach Gemini courses on our campus. The following are offered to our juniors and seniors: AP US History, AP Government, AP Economics, AP Psychology, IB 20th Century War & Society, AP Biology, French 4 & 5, Spanish 4 & 5, Pre-Calculus (Gr 12 only), Intro to Business, Personal Money Management, Public Speaking, and Leadership. Students enroll through FLCC to have their final grade posted to a SUNY/FLCC transcript.

Global Competence Certificate (GCC)

The GCC program is designed to foster success in a global world. Students must complete at least 12 different experiences from the GC Certificate Approved Experiences list. Students must maintain a portfolio of documentation detailing evidence of completion.

RIT "Project Lead the Way" (PLTW) Program

Victor has been honored as a "PLTW Distinguished High School" in 2018-19 and 2019-20 for increasing student access, engagement and achievement in our PLTW program. This nationally recognized, dual-enrollment Pre-Engineering Program for students in grades 9-12 is offered through an agreement with Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT). We offer 6 PLTW courses designed to promote problem-solving and critical thinking skills: Design & Drawing for Development, Principles of Engineering, Digital Electronics, Computer Integrated Manufacturing Systems, Civil Engineering & Architecture, and Engineering Design & Development. Students who achieve a class average of 85%+ are administered the RIT exam for that course may choose to enroll through RIT to have their final grades posted to an RIT transcript.

Advanced Placement (AP) Program

Victor offers 20 AP courses including AP English Language and Composition, AP Literature; AP Calculus AB and BC; AP Biology, AP Chemistry, AP Physics 1 and C; AP World and AP US History; AP Economics, AP Government, and AP Psychology; AP Computer Science, AP Statistics, and AP Art. There are no restrictions on the number of AP courses students may take.

Scholastic Distinctions:

In its 2020 ranking the U.S. News and World Reports ranked Victor Senior High School the 80th best school in New York State out of 1342 high schools in NY State (top 6%) and the 873rd best school nationally out of 17,792 public high schools nationwide (top 5%). Locally, VSH was ranked 5th out of 75 high schools (top 7%).

In October 2019, Victor Central School District was ranked 17th in academics out of 431 upstate New York school districts in 48 counties by Buffalo First magazine

Niche.com 2020 rankings make VCS a top school in a variety of categories: Best School District in America~ 428 of 10,782; Best School Districts in New York~ 71 of 677; and Best School Districts in Rochester area~ 7 of 36.

AP Scholars:

188 students were designated as AP Scholars based on their exceptional achievement on the May 2020 AP examinations. 113 of the students were graduates of the Class of 2020, 63 are members of the Class of 2021, and 12 are members of the Class of 2022.

National AP Scholars	18	AP Scholars With Honor	26
AP Scholars With Distinction	67	AP Scholars	77

Graduating Class

	2020	2019
Class Size	334	349
Graduates with Regents Diplomas	94%	98%
Graduates with Advanced Designation Regents Diplomas	67%	66%
Students Taking the SAT	234	241
Mean Reading & Writing Score	581	586
Mean Math Score	601	611
Students Taking the ACT	134	160
Average Composite Score	25.1	25.4

Advanced Placement Examinations

# Students (Grade 10-12)	415	430
# AP Examinations Written	898	1010
AP Exam Results: % Scores 3 or Higher	78%	80%

College Attendance

Listed below are some of the colleges and universities the class of 2020 are now attending:

Binghamton University	SUNY Geneseo
Bucknell University	Syracuse University
Cleveland Institute of Art	University of Massachusetts
Colgate University	University of Michigan
Cornell University	University of Rochester
Duke University	Vassar College
Ohio State University	Villanova University
Pennsylvania State University	Wofford College

Post Secondary Plans for Victor 2020 Graduates

Attending all Colleges	273	
New York State Colleges (4 & 2 Year)	194	69%
Attending 4 Year Colleges	207	76%
Attending 2 Year Colleges	66	24%
Other-Career Education, International Travel etc.	9	3%
Military	6	1%
Employment	41	7%

Please Note:

To provide you with additional data points, the following Grade Distribution Charts reflect GPA's through June 2020 for the class of 2020.

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