East Ridge High School
Grades 9-12

EAST RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

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Woodbury, MN 55129

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School Hours:

8:30 a.m. - 3:06 p.m.

Jim Smokrovich, Principal • Julie Nielsen, Superintendent
College Entrance Examination Board (CEEB) Code: 242-738

School and Community

Year opened: 2009
Enrollment: 1,954 students
Number of staff members: 145
Staff with advanced degrees: 79.35%
2020-2021 senior class size: 457 students
Graduation rate (2021): 96.9%

East Ridge High School is a comprehensive four-year public high school located in Woodbury, Minnesota. East Ridge serves students in the communities of Woodbury, Cottage Grove, Newport and St. Paul Park. High school classes are scheduled in a six-period day with three trimesters (12 weeks each) in a grading period.

About the Community:
ERHS is part of South Washington County Schools. The district includes the communities of Cottage Grove, St. Paul Park, Newport, Woodbury, Grey Cloud Island and Afton, encompassing an area of 84 square miles. The population of the district is approximately 98,000 people, including 19,001 students who attend district schools.

Demographics:
68.2% - White, 12.6% - Asian, 5.4% - Hispanic, 7.1% Black/Not Hispanic, >1% - American Indian/Alaskan

Approximately 7.3% of the ERHS student population participates in the Free/Reduced Lunch Program.

Curriculum Features

East Ridge High School offers a comprehensive curriculum of 150+ courses, placing emphasis on college preparation. To see a full listing, please view our Program of Studies.

Advanced Placement (AP) Courses:
Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Physics, Human Geography, World History, US History, US Government & Politics, Statistics, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Language & Composition, Literature & Composition, Microeconomics, Macroeconomics and Studio Art

Project Lead the Way (PLTW):
Biomedical Sciences - Principles of Biomedical Sciences, Human Body Systems, Medical Interventions and Biomedical Innovation

Engineering & Design - Intro to Engineering Design, Principles of Engineering, Biotechnical Engineering, Civil Engineering and Architecture, Computer Integrated Manufacturing, Computer Science and Software Engineering, Digital Electronics, Engineering Design and Development

College in the Schools (CIS):
Public Speaking, Algebra through Modeling, Writing, Political Science, Psychology, German, French and Spanish

Graduation Requirements

66 credits required for graduation (1 credit per class per trimester).

English: 12 credits	**General Phy Ed:** 1 credit
Mathematics: 9 credits	**Health:** 1 credit
Science: 9 credits	**Economics:** 1 credit
Social Studies: 9 credits	**Electives:** 22 credits
Fine Arts: 2 credits	

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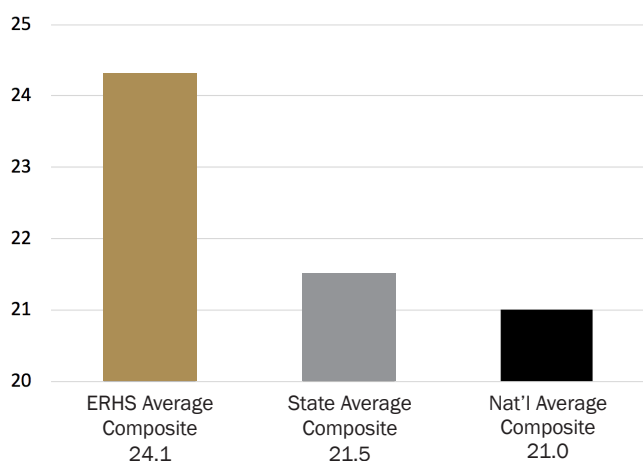
Grading and Ranking Procedures

GPA is based on marks earned in grades 9–12. All courses for which the student receives a grade A–F are included in the GPA. Pass grades are not included in the GPA, but do count for credit (a maximum of two credits per year may be taken with the pass/no credit option).

Grades for AP, PLTW and CIS courses will receive a weighted grade using a 1.2 multiplier (i.e. A = 4.8).

A = 4.0	C+ = 2.333	D– = 0.667
A– = 3.667	C = 2.0	F = 0.00
B+ = 3.333	C– = 1.667	P = Pass
B = 3.0	D+ = 1.333	N = No Credit
B– = 2.667	D = 1.0	

East Ridge High School no longer provides class rank statistics. Information indicating a class rank using either the academic or all-subject grade point averages will not be issued internally or externally to staff, students, parents, or other academic institutions or agencies.

Class of 2019 ACT Test Results

ERHS Average Composite 24.1	State Average Composite 21.5	Nat'l Average Composite 21.0	

ERHS ACT Test Results

Year	N*	English	Math	Reading	Science	Composite
2019	425	23.2	23.8	24.7	24.1	24.1
2018	425	23.4	24.0	24.3	23.8	24.0
2017	442	23.6	24.5	24.2	24.4	24.3
2016	448	23.0	23.0	23.9	23.6	23.6

*Number of students tested

National Merit/National Achievement Scholarship Program Finalists

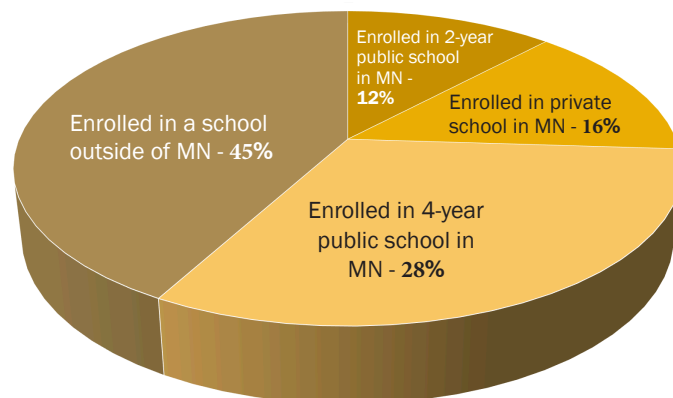| Year	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Semi-Finalists	6	5	7	4
Finalists	6	5	7	4
Commended	8	13	10	4

Advanced Placement Test Results

- During the 2020-21 school year, 1,044 AP exams were taken.
- 74% of those tested earned a score of 3 or higher.

Our SAT scores cannot be compared to the state and national average since fewer than 10% of ERHS students take this exam.

Spotlights on ERHS

- East Ridge High School has more than 90 clubs, sports, and extra-curricular activities available for students.
- East Ridge was the first high school in the state of Minnesota to implement both Biomedical Sciences and Engineering as part of Project Lead the Way.
- ERHS is known for their internationally recognized Robotics Team.
- ERHS uses Schoology, which is online learning platform that helps students, parents and teachers coordinate learning.

College Attendance - Class of 2019

Enrolled in 2-year public school in MN - **12%**
Enrolled in private school in MN - **16%**
Enrolled in a school outside of MN - **45%**
Enrolled in 4-year public school in MN - **28%**

- More than 84% of graduates attended college in the fall of 2018.
- 87% of 2017 graduates were still enrolled in college after their third academic year.