

Robbinsdale Armstrong High School • 2020-2021

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Robbinsdale Armstrong High School (RAHS) is a four-year, comprehensive high school located in Plymouth, a northwestern suburb of Minneapolis, Minnesota. Armstrong is one of two high schools in the Robbinsdale Area Schools district. Armstrong and Cooper High School serve students from the communities of Robbinsdale, Brooklyn Center, Brooklyn Park, Crystal, Golden Valley, New Hope, and Plymouth.

Armstrong offers programs to prepare students for four-year, two-year and technical colleges, as well as employment directly after high school. Serving a diverse student population of approximately 2,000 students, areas of study include general courses, college preparatory courses, special education courses, and Advanced Placement courses. Students may also choose to participate in the Postsecondary Enrollment Options (PSEO) Program, attending technical, two- or four-year colleges in their junior and/or senior years.

Graduation Requirements

8 semesters English

8 semesters Social Studies

6 semesters Mathematics

6 semesters Science

2 semesters Physical Education

1 semester Health

15 semesters Electives (including 2 in Fine Arts)

46 total credits

New for 2020-21, Armstrong is on a modified A/B Block schedule. We offer a rotating four block day with students taking 6-8 courses each semester.



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Advanced Placement & Enriched Coursework

Armstrong is one of the few schools in Minnesota that is approved to offer the AP Capstone/Diploma Program. This program is a way for students to develop a rich foundation for future academic studies and recognizes students for their research, writing, and critical thinking abilities.

In 2020, 632 students took 1038 Advanced Placement exams in 26 subjects. 671 exams were 3's, 4's, or 5's, making those students eligible for credit at the college level.

AP English: Language & Composition, Literature & Composition, Seminar, and Research

AP Social Studies: U.S. History, World History, U.S. Government, Human Geography, and Psychology

AP Math: Calculus AB, Calculus BC, and Statistics

AP Science: Biology, Chemistry, Physics B & C, and Environmental Science

AP Business: Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, and Computer Science

AP World Language: Spanish Language and Spanish Literature

AP Music: Music Theory (not offered in 2020-21)

AP Art: Studio Art

Enriched Courses: Enriched Physics and Enriched Chemistry

Class Rank

Class rank is based on final semester grades earned in all subjects. Grades are unweighted in calculating class rank.

Grading Update for Spring 2020: following recommendations from the Minnesota Department of Education regarding grading during distance learning, all grades of C+ to D-, Incomplete, and No Credit were converted to Pass "P" grades for the spring semester 2020. "P" grades are not included in GPA and rank calculations. Students were also given the option to elect a "P" grade to replace any letter grade A to B- during spring 2020.

GPA Calculations

A = 4.0	D+ = 1.34
A- = 3.67	D = 1.0
B+ = 3.34	D- = .67
B = 3.0	NC = 0.00
B- = 2.67	P = credit
C+ = 2.34	earned, no
C = 2.0	honor points
C- = 1.67	I = incomplete

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Average ACT in 2020*
Given only Feb. 2020

80%

Attending Two and
Four Year Colleges

671

AP Exams Scored 3 or
Higher

Demographic & Student Information

2020 Total Enrollment: 1942

Senior Class of 2021: 475

Free & Reduced Lunch: 34%

Students of Color: 48.4%

Students enrolled PSEO courses: 121

Top Ten Colleges Attended by Recent Graduates

1. University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
2. North Hennepin Community College
3. Minnesota State University, Mankato
4. University of Minnesota, Duluth
5. North Dakota State University
6. St. Cloud State University
7. University of Wisconsin, Madison
8. Iowa State University
9. Minneapolis Community and Technical College
10. Normandale Community College

Special Programs

Armstrong offers a variety of additional programs including AVID, College Possible, Spanish Immersion programming for students K-12, and new PSEO partnerships with North Hennepin Community College and Hennepin Tech.

School Activities

There are more than 75 school-sponsored sports teams, clubs, and performing and fine arts activities. Annually, more than 1,200 students participate in activities sponsored by the Minnesota State High School League. Armstrong's school sports teams compete in the Northwest Suburban Conference. There are 15 varsity sports teams. In addition to sports, Armstrong offers activities including Drama, Choir, Marching and Jazz Band, Debate, Speech, Yearbook, Newspaper, Math Team, Global Language Club, National Honor Society, Quiz Bowl, Tech Crew, Cycle Team, Trap Team, Best Buddies, and intramural sports.