

# Darien High School

## 2022-23 Profile

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### School

Description: Grades 9 - 12  
Enrollment: 1,421  
Accreditation: New England Association of  
Schools and Colleges, 2012

### Community

Description: Middle to high income residential  
Location: 36 miles northeast of New York City  
Population: 21,744

Faculty - 157 Certified Staff: 13 Doctorates, 139 Masters, 5 Baccalaureates

### Grade System and GPA Profile

Classes are indexed as to indicate levels as follows: 400 Honors and/or AP Placement (weighted .5)  
300/650/750/900 College Preparatory

All grades are weighted according to grouping levels as follows: (P.E./Health is not included in GPA)

	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D+	D	D-	F	X
300/900/750	4	3.7	3.3	3	2.7	2.3	2	1.7	1.3	1	0.7	0	0
400 Series	4.5	4.2	3.8	3.5	3.2	2.8	2.5	2.2	1.8	1.5	1.2	0	0

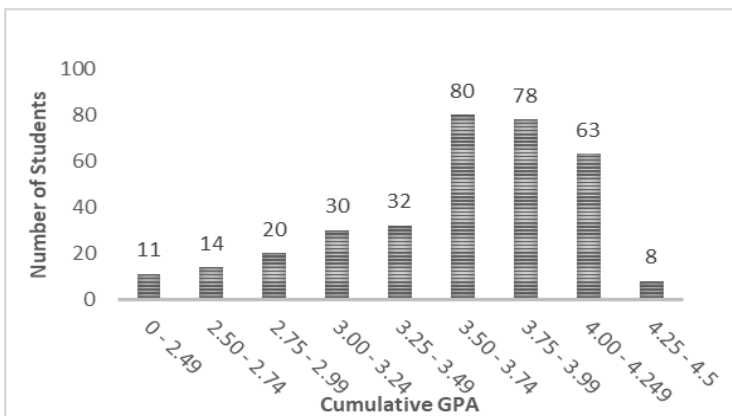
**COVID STATEMENT:** Darien High School students learned remotely from mid-March through mid-June, 2020. Students were engaged in synchronous activities which allowed students to continue to learn through rich and rigorous curriculum. While there were short periods of remote and/or hybrid learning models during the 2020-21 school year, Darien High School students experienced full, in-person learning for the majority of the year. Due to the learning environment created by our teachers in both Spring, 2020 and the duration of the 2020-21 school year, semester letter grades were assigned and were calculated into the GPA for all semesters.

**Class of 2023 N=340**

**Sixth Semester: Highest GPA: 4.346**  
**Mean GPA: 3.588**

**Darien High School does not rank.**

**GPA Distribution Class of 2023: 6th Semester**



### Abbreviations used on transcripts:

<i>Acc</i>	Accelerated Course at the 300 level.
<i>AP</i>	Advanced Placement
<i>I</i>	Incomplete
<i>IDEA</i>	Mentored, individual project based program for gifted students; graded as credit/no credit, offered to 9th graders.
<i>Independent Study</i>	A credit-bearing, structured, learning experience supervised by a member of the faculty.
<i>MED</i>	Medically Excused.
<i>P/NC</i>	Marks for courses taken on pass/no credit basis.
<i>Work Study</i>	Career exploration meetings and assignments are components of the Work Study Program.
<i>X</i>	Attendance Failure (counts as failure in computing GPA). No credit or partial credit given due to excessive absences. Notation is made if student receives less than normal credit in course.

For courses taken during the academic year, a passing grade with zero credit awarded reflects credit loss due to excessive absences, unless the course is being repeated.

**HONORS AND ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES:** DHS does not have open enrollment. Participation in both Honors level and AP courses at DHS is extremely competitive. Placement is determined by qualifying grades and prerequisite courses.

Darien Public Schools is committed to a policy of equal opportunity/affirmative action for all qualified persons. Darien Public Schools does not discriminate in any employment practice, education program, or educational activity on the basis of race, color, religious creed, sex, age, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability (including, but not limited to, intellectual disability, past or present history of mental disorder, physical disability or learning disability), genetic information, or any other basis prohibited by Connecticut state and/or federal nondiscrimination laws. The Darien Public Schools does not unlawfully discriminate in employment and licensing against qualified persons with a prior criminal conviction.

**CLASS OF 2022 SAT HIGHLIGHTS:****SAT I SCORE DISTRIBUTIONS**

Scores	Students	Percentage	Scores	Students	Percentage
1400-1600	81	24%	800-990	32	9%
1200-1390	124	37%	600-790	6	2%
1000-1190	96	28%	400-590	0	0%

There were 339 test takers of the 356 total students enrolled for 95% participation

**SAT I SCORES (MEAN)**

	DARIEN	CONNECTICUT	NATIONAL
ERW	616	520	529
Math	619	505	521

**CLASS OF 2022 ACT SCORES** (Students participated: 135)

	DARIEN	CONNECTICUT	NATIONAL
English	27.9	26.8	19.0
Math	27.0	25.3	19.3
Reading	28.7	27.1	20.4
Science	27.2	25.7	19.9
Composite	27.8	26.3	19.8

**NATIONAL MERIT PROGRAM (NMSQT)**

Class of 2023 produced 4 Semi-Finalists and 24 Commended Students  
 Class of 2022 produced 7 Semi-Finalists and 25 Commended Students  
 Class of 2021 produced 2 Scholars, 5 Finalists and 21 Commended Students

**U.S. PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARS PROGRAM**

Class of 2022 produced 4 U.S. Presidential Scholars Candidates

**AP SCORES, MAY 2022**

TEST	5	4	3	2	1	3 or better
2-D Art & Design	4	11	4	0	0	100%
3-D Art & Design	2	9	10	6	0	78%
Biology	27	20	13	0	0	100%
Calculus AB	19	18	22	5	0	92%
Calculus BC	35	5	0	0	0	100%
Chemistry	11	10	10	5	2	82%
Computer Science A	11	9	1	0	0	100%
Computer Science Principles	0	6	7	2	1	82%
English Language & Composition	39	40	25	4	0	96%
English Literature & Composition	35	24	8	0	0	100%
Environmental Science	31	52	13	10	0	91%
European History	5	6	1	0	0	100%
French Language	3	5	4	0	0	100%
Human Geography	9	9	5	7	2	72%
Macroeconomics	2	4	4	0	1	91%
Microeconomics	30	30	10	6	1	91%
Music Theory	2	1	0	0	0	100%
Physics C: E & M	6	1	0	0	0	100%
Physics C: Mechanics	12	14	12	8	0	83%
Spanish Language	10	28	35	13	0	85%
Statistics	24	14	8	3	1	92%
U.S. Government & Politics	22	18	15	8	1	86%
U.S. History	31	26	16	4	0	95%

In May 2022, 473 students sat for 1053 examinations; 91% of exams received a score 3 or higher.

**CLASS OF 2022 FUTURE PLANS**

**93.9% to Higher Education**

**92.2% To Four Year Colleges**

**1.7% to Two Year Colleges/College Prep**

**6.1% Other (Career Ed, Travel,  
Armed Services, Employment,**

**HONORS AND ADVANCED****PLACEMENT COURSES:****ART**

400 Honors Art  
 400 AP 2-D Art & Design  
 400 AP 3-D Art & Design  
 400 Drawing & Painting 3 Honors

**COMPUTER STUDIES**

400 Advanced Computer Programming  
 400 AP Computer Science  
 400 AP Computer Science Principles

**ENGLISH**

400 English 10 Honors  
 400 AP English Literature & Composition  
 400 AP English Language & Composition

**WORLD LANGUAGE**

400 French 3 Honors  
 400 French 4 Honors  
 400 AP French Language & Culture  
 400 Spanish 3 Honors  
 400 Spanish 4 Honors  
 400 AP Spanish Language & Culture  
 400 AP Spanish Literature  
 400 Mandarin Chinese Honors 3  
 400 Mandarin Chinese Honors 4

**HISTORY AND SOCIAL SCIENCES**

400 World Studies Honors  
 400 AP Macroeconomics  
 400 AP Microeconomics  
 400 AP European History  
 400 AP Human Geography  
 400 AP U.S. Government & Politics  
 400 AP U.S. History

**MATHEMATICS**

400 Algebra 2 Honors  
 400 Pre Calculus Honors  
 400 AP Calculus AB  
 400 AP Calculus BC  
 400 AP Statistics  
 400 Multivariable Calculus

**MUSIC**

400 AP Music Theory  
 400 Chamber Choir Honors  
 400 Orchestra Honors  
 400 Wind Ensemble Honors

**SCIENCE**

400 Biology Honors  
 400 Chemistry Honors  
 400 AP Biology  
 400 AP Chemistry  
 400 Physics Honors\*  
 400 AP Physics C: E & M\*  
 400 AP Physics C: M \*  
 400 AP Environmental Science

\* Denotes courses in which students are eligible to earn UCONN credit.