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PORTLAND HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE 2022-23

SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY

Portland is the largest city in Maine with a population of nearly 70,000. It features industrial and business interests, professional sports, an orchestra, theaters, museums, a busy port and working waterfront, an international jetport, and a lively arts district. One of three public high schools in the city, Portland High is among the oldest public high schools in the nation. Portland High School is a comprehensive four-year school located in the downtown district.

There are 957 students enrolled as of October 2022. One third of our student population is made up of immigrants representing 45 different countries and 36 languages, making Portland High School (PHS) one of the most diverse high schools north of Boston. PHS cultivates the academic, social, emotional and civic skills of every student by fostering a mindset of lifelong learning and inspiring students to become dynamic participants in our local and global community. A Freshman Academy paves the way to academic success through high school, and a robust set of extended learning opportunities and internships are available to all students.

Total Enrollment: 957

- 227 - Class of 2022 size
- 30.3%- Multilingual Learners
- 41%- Qualify for free/reduced lunch
- 13%- Hispanic/Latino
- 6%- Asian
- 21.5%- Black/African American
- 52.9% - White
- .3% - American Indian/Alaskan Native
- 7.03% - More than one race

CURRICULUM

The school offers several levels of content area courses including AP, Honors, College Prep and Co-Taught. There is an accelerated math program, called AMP, which culminates with Calculus AB and BC. Students have the option to attend Portland Arts and Technology High School. Students are eligible to receive a STEM Endorsement and Seal of Biliteracy on their transcripts. Please view the 22-23 course catalog on the Portland High School website: <https://pfs.portlandschools.org/academics>

Honors courses are offered in the following disciplines: English, Math, Social Studies, French, Latin, Spanish, Computer Science, Engineering, Science, Band, and Orchestra.

Advanced Placement courses are offered in the following disciplines: English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, Calculus AB and BC, Biology, Physics, Chemistry, Statistics, Art: 2D, Art: Drawing, Art: 3D, U.S. History, and Psychology. In addition to our school's offerings, students are also able to take online AP courses offered through the AP4ME program. AP courses are open enrollment, and students have the option to take the exam.

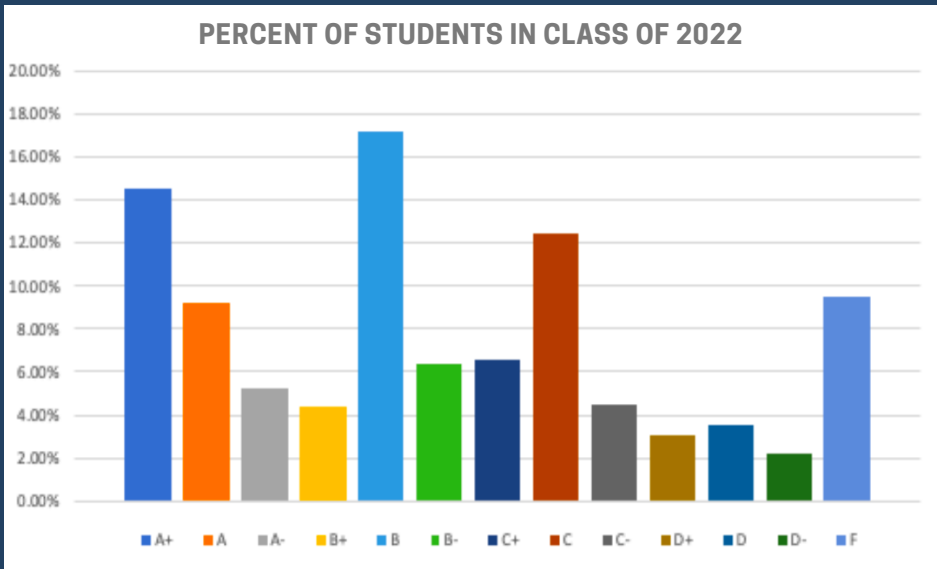
Dual Enrollment (DE) options are available for some of the upper level math courses and upper level Latin classes through the following schools: Saint Joseph's College of Maine and University of Southern Maine. 22% of our current Seniors are enrolled in a DE course.

Early College opportunities are available to students who wish to take college courses while in high school through the University of Maine System, Southern Maine Community College, and Saint Joseph's College of Maine.

Extended Learning Opportunities, including Internships, are available to all students in grades 10-12. 9% of the Class of 2022 completed at least one internship. 10% of our current Seniors are enrolled in an internship or class mentoring experience.

Capstone Projects require students to engage in deep and meaningful research that answers an essential question developed by them. 100% of the Class of 2022 completed a Capstone Project.

Due to the Corona Virus, classes were held online beginning March 13, 2020 through the end of the school year. Fourth quarter grades in 2019-20 were labeled as pass or insufficient evidence and final 2019-20 numeric grades were awarded based on the average of quarters 1-3 or quarters 1-4. Grades 10, 11 and 12 continued learning remotely during the 2020-21 school year using a 4x4 block schedule. Many students participated in true hybrid learning schedule from April of 2022 to June 2022. In 2022-22, we are back to our standard alternating day schedule, with the majority of our core classes meeting every other day for the full year. All students are back in the building full time.



Grading Equivalents

A = 93-100

B = 85-92

C = 78-84

D = 70-77

F = 69 and below

Weighted Grade Scale

Advanced Placement (AP) = +6

Honors (HR) = +4

Graduation Requirements

A minimum of 41 Credits distributed as follows: 8 English, 6 Math, 6 Social Studies, 6 Science, 2 Fine Arts, 2 Physical Education, 1 Health, 10 Electives. In addition, students must complete a Capstone Project and a Post Secondary Plan.

Class of 2022 Mean SAT Scores
(PARTICIPATION: 42%)

	ERW	Math
PHS	525	494

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

A total of 117 students completed 209 AP exams in 16 subjects.

- 16% earned a 5
- 23% earned a 4
- 24% earned a 4

Awards include:

- 16 AP Scholars
- 5 AP Scholars with Honor
- 5 AP Scholars with Distinction

CLASS OF 2022: POST SECONDARY PLANS

4-year school 54.7% ● 2-year school 27.4% ● Employment 9% ● Military .5% ● Other Post Secondary 2% ● Gap Year 5%

CLASS OF 2022: MATRICULATIONS

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> American University Bennington College Boston University Bryant University Central Maine Community College Claremont-McKenna College Clark University Colby College Denison University Eastern Maine Community College Emmanuel College Endicott College Fordham University Hobart and William Smith Howard University Husson University Ithaca College Johnson & Wales University-Providence MASS College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences Merrimack College Middlebury College MMC School of Surgical Tech | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morgan State University New School Northeastern University Norwich University Oberlin College Paul Mitchell the School-Atlanta Pennsylvania State University-Schuylkill Plymouth State University Quinnipiac University Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Saint Joseph's College of Maine Simmons University Southern Maine Community College Suffolk University The Landing School The University of Tennessee-Knoxville The University of Texas at Austin Thomas College Trinity College Dublin Tufts University United States Naval Academy University of North Carolina Chapel Hill University of Michigan | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> University of Colorado Boulder University of Delaware University of Maine University of Massachusetts-Boston University of Massachusetts-Amherst University of Miami University of New England University of New Hampshire University of New Haven University of Oregon University of Pittsburgh University of San Francisco University of South Carolina-Columbia University of Southern Maine Univ. of the District of Columbia Community College University of Vermont University of Washington-Seattle Upper Iowa University Wentworth Institute of Technology West Liberty University Wheaton College |
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