



2022-2023 High School Profile

Our School

Website: www.slpschools.org

School Code: 242-205

Four-year public high school,
Grades 9-12

Enrollment: 1,504

Size of Senior Class: 377

School Year: 2 semesters, 7 period days

Distinctions

- Nationally Designated School of Excellence
- Named 30th Best Public High School for College Prep in Minnesota by Niche
- International Baccalaureate School
- Four-year graduation rate of 92.3% (class of 2020)

Administration

Superintendent

Astein Osei

Principal

LaNisha Paddock

Assistant Principals

Alyssa Gardner

Derek Wennerberg

Student Services Staff

Barb Nelson, Gr. 9 Counselor

Heidi Cosgrove, Gr. 10 Counselor

Elise Boleman, Gr. 11 Counselor

Kelsey Milne, Gr. 12 Counselor

Marlee Nirenstein, Social Worker

Kjirsten Hanson, Social Worker

Kara Mueller, CCR/CTE Coordinator

Karalyn Marlin, BARR Coordinator

Faduma Adeed, Enrichment Coordinator



Our Community

St. Louis Park is a western suburb of Minneapolis with a population of approximately 49,000 residents. Students come from diverse cultural, educational, and economic backgrounds. St. Louis Park is a “Children First” community, and has become a national model by using developmental-asset research to promote positive community attitudes that help children grow toward healthy adult lives.

International Baccalaureate

St. Louis Park High School became an IB World School in 2000. The IB Program is a rigorous two-year college preparatory program. Juniors and seniors can self-select to enroll in individual IB courses or be a full diploma candidate. If you have any questions concerning the IB Program, please contact Alissa Case at 952-928-6024 or case.alissa@slpschools.org.

Faculty

St. Louis Park High School has 96 licensed teachers on staff, including 83 that hold advanced degrees.

12 AP Courses Offered

- AP Calculus
- AP Environmental Science
- AP Macroeconomics
- AP Microeconomics
- AP U.S. History
- AP Statistics
- AP Psychology
- AP European History
- AP World History
- AP Spanish Language & Culture
- AP Spanish Literature & Culture

36 IB Courses Offered

- IB English A Language and Literature SL-1 & SL-2
- IB English A Literature HL-1 & HL-2
- IB Film SL
- IB Extended Essay
- IB Math SL Analysis Year 1 & Year 2
- IB Math HL Analysis Year 1 & Year 2
- IB Chemistry SL
- IB Physics SL
- IB Biology HL-1 & HL-2
- IB Psychology SL
- IB History HL-1: History of the Americas
- IB History SL: History of Authoritarian States
- IB History HL-2: History of Authoritarian States
- IB French Language B SL-1 & SL-2
- IB German Language B SL-1 & SL-2
- IB Hebrew Language B SL-1 & SL-2
- IB Spanish Language B SL-1 & SL-2
- IB Spanish Language B HL-1 & HL-2
- IB Spanish Language and Literature SL-1 & SL-2
- Theory of Knowledge

21 CTE Courses Offered

Students can get Technical or Community College credit by taking these courses.

- Business Innovations
- Certified Nursing Assistant
- Computer Hardware and Software Fundamentals
- Construction Technologies
- Digital Artwork Design
- Digital Photography
- Engineering II
- Exercise Physiology
- Fashion Marketing and Merchandising
- Health Care Core
- Health Professions Terminology
- Information Communications Literacy
- Introduction to Accounting
- Introduction to Architectural and Engineering CAD
- Introduction to Criminal Justice
- Introduction to Exercise Science
- Introduction to Graphic Design
- Introduction to Marketing
- Media Arts
- Photography
- Woodworking I & II



**St. Louis Park
High School**

Student Population (9-12)

White	49.5%
Black/African American	25%
Hispanic/Latino	13%
Two or More Races	8%
Asian.....	3%
American Indian/Alaska Native5%
English Learners	6.4%
Special Education	8.9%
Free/Reduced Lunch	41%

Post Secondary Plans

Of the 2020 graduating class, 65% chose to attend a post-secondary institution. 44% of those students chose to attend an institution in Minnesota, while 18% chose an institution outside of Minnesota. Of those students who chose an institution in Minnesota, 34% chose a 4-year institution, while 24% chose a 2-year institution.

Testing

ACT 2022 Summary Report

Mean Scores	SLP HS
English.....	20
Math	20
Reading.....	22
Science.....	21
Composite	21

Advanced Placement

In 2022, 436 students took 642 AP exams, earning an average score of 2.7; 54% of all exams were 3 or higher. 86 students were named to the scholar roster (52 AP Scholar, 10 AP Scholar with Honors, 24 AP Scholar with Distinction).

International Baccalaureate

In 2022, 89 students took 162 IB exams. Diploma candidates earned an average score of 4.24. Four students were awarded the IB Diploma.

National Merit Scholarship Program for 2022-23

Based on PSAT results, eight students were recognized by the National Merit Scholarship Program, including two semifinalists and six commended scholars.

Graduation Requirements

All students are required to earn 46 semester credits. Credit requirements by subject area are: English (8 credits), Social Studies (8 credits), Math (6 credits), Science (6 credits), Health (1 credit), Physical Education (1 credit), Fine Arts (2 credits), and Electives (14 credits).

Grading System

A standard 4.0 grading system with letter grades of A, B, C, D, or F is used. Accelerated, Honors, Advanced Placement, and International Baccalaureate classes are not weighted as part of the student's grade point average (GPA). A "P" for pass is included as a credit toward graduation, but does not count toward a student's GPA. St. Louis Park High School does not use class rank.

Important Note About Covid-19 Impact on Grading

School year 2019-2020, *semester two only.*

- The high school adopted a hold harmless and equitable grading policy.
- All students for semester 2 issued a Pass(P) for any class between 60-100%.
 - This was not factored into the G.P.A.
- Any grades below 60% were issued a No Grade (N)
 - This was not factored into the G.P.A.

Addendum

Transcript

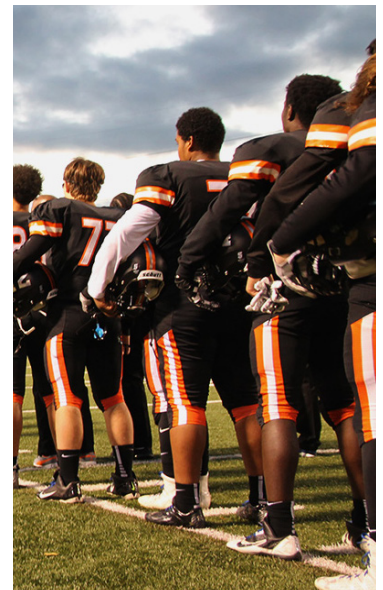
- A 2nd-page transcript is available, on student request, that shows the percentages earned for semester two.
- These percentages are available to detail the percentage earned for Pass(P).
 - These percentages are not included in the G.P.A.

School year 2020-2021, *both semester one and semester two.*

- Due to the continuation of the pandemic, the high school wanted to offer a choice in grade reporting.
- The student could choose to take any grade as a Pass(P) grade
 - This was not factored into the G.P.A.
- Any grades that were between 60-69% were automatic Pass (P) grades.
- Any grades below 60% were issued a No Grade (NG)
 - This was not factored into the G.P.A.

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Extracurricular Activities

26 Varsity Athletic Teams

FALL

Cross Country (B/G)
Football
Soccer (B/G)
Swimming (G)
Tennis (G)
Volleyball (G)

WINTER

Basketball (B/G)
Gymnastics
Hockey (B/G)
Nordic Skiing (B/G)
Swimming (B)

SPRING

Baseball
Golf (B/G)
Lacrosse (B/G)
Softball
Synchronized Swimming
Tennis (B)
Track & Field (B/G)

Clubs and Organizations

St. Louis Park High School has a wide array of clubs and organizations including fine arts opportunities such as theater, band, orchestra, and choir; an award-winning student newspaper and yearbook; academic-based opportunities such as math team and quiz bowl; a robotics team; a computer repair club; a nationally recognized eSports team; a drone racing team; and many others.

Notable Alumni

Thomas Friedman, *New York Times* columnist, author

Joel and Ethan Coen, film directors, screenwriters, producers

Dan Israel, musician and songwriter

Jim Petersen, former NBA player, current Timberwolves analyst

Peggy Orenstein, author, writer for *New York Times Magazine*

Marc Trestman, NFL coach, former coach of Chicago Bears

Dan Wilson, lead singer of Trip Shakespeare and Semisonic

Peggy Flanagan, current Lieutenant Governor of Minnesota

Emily Schmidt, co-producer/writer for *Ghosts* on CBS TV

