



HINSDALE CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

Hinsdale Township High School District 86

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Community

Hinsdale Central High School is located 17 miles west of Chicago in DuPage County and serves a suburban residential area. Students live in the communities of Hinsdale, Burr Ridge, Clarendon Hills, Darien, Oak Brook, Westmont, and Willowbrook.

School

Hinsdale Central is one of two comprehensive high schools in Hinsdale Township High School District 86. Fall 2023 enrollment at Central is approximately 2450 students, with 674 seniors in the class of 2023. More than 99% of Central's students complete high school, with 83.4% of the class of 2022 pursuing a four-year college education, 9.3% choosing two-year colleges and 7.3% pursuing other opportunities/undecided at the time of graduation. Hinsdale Central is a member of the North Central Association, The College Board and NACAC/IACAC. It was also named a 2021 National Blue Ribbon School by the U.S. Department of Education. The district's per capita tuition charge for fiscal year 2021 is \$23,132.49.

School Organization

The school year consists of two semesters. The day is divided into seven 50 - minute periods. The first semester ends on January 20, 2023 and the second semester ends on June 9, 2023.

Faculty Stats

Of the 215 certified faculty members, 197 hold a master's degree and three hold doctorates degree. 37% percent of the faculty has 20 or more years of experience in education. Eighteen teachers are Nationally Board Certified.

Student Services

A comprehensive program of student services is provided. Twelve counseling professionals assist students with academic, social and personal concerns, college selection, and career/vocational plans. Complementing the counselors are social workers, school psychologists, deans, nurses and a fully-inclusive special education program.

Extracurricular Activities

Hinsdale Central students are highly involved in numerous extracurricular programs and activities. There are 31 athletic teams and over 85 clubs available to students. Hinsdale Central athletes have captured over 100 state championships, the second most among high schools in the state. In 2014-2015, Hinsdale Central broke the IHSA state record for the most state championships in one year, capturing 10 in athletics and activities combined. More than 90% of the student body participates in at least one of the 85+ active clubs and organizations. Our athletic and activity programs are considered an extension of our classrooms; we strive to teach lifelong lessons as well as sportsmanship, leadership and character. Hinsdale Central was recognized as a State School of Character in 2007, a State and National School of Character in 2008 and a School of Excellence for student athletes in 2017.

Academic Information

District 86 does not maintain class rank. Semester grades earned in all courses, exclusive of physical education and driver education, are used to determine dean's list and honor roll according to the grade point system noted below. Both weighted and unweighted GPAs are reported.

During the 2022-23 school year, District 86 launched an earned honors credit pilot designed to provide students with another opportunity to engage in and demonstrate honors level work. Courses that are part of this pilot include Intro to Business, Exploring Visual Arts, True Stories: Creative Nonfiction and Psychology in Literature. Students who successfully complete the honors assignments and activities in these courses will earn honors credit for the course. Many students who have selected these courses have done so in order to challenge themselves in the particular content area. This honors designation will not appear on an in-progress transcript until the completion of the course.

Honors & Advanced Placement Courses

Weighted

A = 6, B = 5, C = 4, D = 2, F = 1

All Other Courses / Unweighted

A = 5, B = 4, C = 3, D = 2, F = 1

Dean's List

4.5 GPA / No grade below a "C"

Honor Roll

4.0 GPA / No grade below a "D"

GPA for seniors in the class of 2023 through six semesters: 674 Students

Weighted

Top Decile	5.750 - 5.978
1st Quartile	5.351 - 5.978
2nd Quartile	4.839 - 5.349
3rd Quartile	4.194 - 4.833
4th Quartile	1.737 - 4.189

Unweighted

Top Decile	4.957 - 5.000
1st Quartile	4.806 - 5.000
2nd Quartile	4.500 - 4.800
3rd Quartile	4.029 - 4.488
4th Quartile	1.737 - 4.028

Class of 2022 Stats

659 Graduates

92.7%
of graduates are college bound

83.4%
4 Year college bound

9.3%
2 Year college bound

53
National Merit Commended

21
National Merit Semi-Finalist

19
National Merit Finalist

240
Illinois State Scholars

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Class of 2022 Tests

ACT Score Breakdown

Score	Total	%
33 – 36	67	20
28 – 32	117	35
24 – 27	79	24
20 – 23	48	14
16 – 19	19	6
13 – 15	6	2

Average Composite Score:
27.6 for 336 Students

SAT Subject Test

Subject	Number	Mean
Chemistry	6	773
Eco Biology	2	685
Math – Level 2	10	782
Mole Biology	4	730
Physics	1	790

SAT Reasoning Test Score Breakdown

Score	Evidenced Based Reading/Writing (Mean = 619 Total)	Math (Mean = 612 Total)
750 – 800	51	109
700 – 749	93	64
650 – 699	114	93
600 – 649	117	105
550 – 599	86	83
500 – 549	75	90
450 – 499	53	49
400 – 449	28	25
200 – 399	10	12

Graduation Requirements

To graduate, a student must earn a minimum of 24.0 credits and successfully meet the following requirements:

English	4.0
Mathematics	3.0
Science	2.0
US History	1.0
World History	1.0
Elective Arts	2.0
Physical Education / Health	3.5/0.5
Consumer Education	0.5
Civics	0.5

2022 Advanced Placement Examinations

960 students took 2,407 examinations as follows:

91% of students earned a 3, 4, or 5 on at least one test.
85% of test scores were 3, 4, or 5.

Biology	61	Music Theory	1
Calculus AB	193	Physics 1	154
Calculus BC	106	Physics 2	7
Chemistry	42	Physics C – E & M	26
Chinese Lang.	3	Physics C – Mechanics	31
Comp Science A	64	Psychology	154
Comp Sci Prin	60	Seminar: Research	17
Econ – MACRO	112	Seminar: Science	28
Econ – MICRO	99	Spanish Language	52
English Language	353	Spanish Literature	2
English Literature	143	Statistics	64
Environmental Science	98	Studio Art - 2D	3
European History	120	Studio Art - Drawing	6
French Language	18	US History	272
German Language	7	World History	15
Govt & Politics: US	88		

Honors (H) and Advanced Placement (AP) courses offered at HCHS

Department	Honors Classes	AP Classes	Department	Honors Classes	AP Classes
Art	Ceramics 2 Honors Ceramics 3 Honors Digital Imaging & Graphic Design 2 Honors Digital Imaging & Graphic Design 3 Honors Adv Drawing & Design Honors Glass & Metalsmithing 2 Honors Glass & Metalsmithing 3 Honors Adv Painting Honors Photography 2 Honors Photography 3 Honors	AP Art History AP 2D Art & Design AP 3D Art & Design	Science	Biology Honors Earth Science Honors Chemistry Honors Chemistry 10 Honors Physics Honors Physics 9 Honors	AP Biology AP Chemistry AP Environmental Science AP Physics 1 AP Physics 2 AP Physics C AP Seminar: Science AP Research: Science
Business	Business Law 1 Honors Business Law 2 Honors Accounting Honors Internship Honors Tech Support Internship Honors		Social Studies	World History Honors Philosophy Honors	AP European History AP US History AP Psychology AP Macroeconomics AP Microeconomics AP Gov & Politics, US
English	English 1 Honors English 2 Honors Journalism 2: Yearbook Honors Journalism 2: Newsmagazine Honor	AP English Language & Comp AP English Literature & Comp	Technology	Pre-Engineering 1 Honors Pre-Engineering 2 Honors Architecture & Design Honors Engineering & Manufacturing Honors Engineering Capstone Honors	
FACS	Invitation to Teaching Honors Interior Design & Housing Honors		World Language	German 1 Honors German 2 Honors German 3 Honors German 4 Honors Latin 1 Honors Latin 2 Honors Latin Literature Honors French 1 Honors French 2 Honors French 3 Honors French 4 Honors French 5 Honors Spanish 2 Honors Spanish 3 Honors Spanish 5 Honors: Spanish Studies Spanish 5 Honors: Latin Am Studies	AP Latin AP French Language AP Spanish Language AP Spanish Literature AP German Language
Mathematics	Geometry Honors Algebra 2/Trig Honors Integrated Algebra & Geo Honors Pre-calculus Honors Computer Science Topics Honors Math Topics 1 Honors Math Topics 2 Honors Multivariable Calculus 1 Honors Multivariable Calculus 2 Honors	AP Computer Science A AP Computer Science Principles AP Calculus AB AP Calculus BC AP Statistics			
Music	Honors level is available in all music courses with Department approval.	AP Music Theory			