



Home of the Ironmen

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Normal Community High School

"A community of learners pursuing personal excellence everyday"

THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY

McLean County Unit District No. 5 is a K-12 District including 15 elementary, 4 middle, and 2 high school buildings. Student population is over 13,000. The twin cities of Normal and Bloomington are located in one of the most rapidly developing economic areas in the nation.

THE SCHOOL



Established in 1905, Normal Community High School is a four-year public high school located in Normal, Illinois. The school population is comprised of students from areas of Normal, Bloomington, and the surrounding community of Towanda. NCHS offers 425 courses providing a comprehensive curriculum of subjects at varied levels. Each class is 49 minutes long, 5 days per week, over the course of 36 weeks, with an average core class size of 26.2 students. Normal Community is a member of the Big 12 Conference, one of the oldest and most respected conferences in the state.

STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

Students have numerous opportunities to become involved in the NCHS community. NCHS has 21 IHSA teams that allow students to compete throughout the state. A robust performing arts program is comprised of a theatre/drama program, 8 choirs, 5 bands, 3 orchestras, a competitive marching band, and color guards. Students may also choose from over 35 clubs and intramural sports.

THE FACULTY

NCHS has a highly qualified staff of over 140 certified teachers with an average of twelve years of experience. There are 7 counselors, 6 arranged by student alphabet, and 1 College & Career Counselor. Over 90 teachers have completed graduate work in their field or hold at least a Master's Degree. Over 15 teachers and counselors have achieved National Board Certification.

TRANSCRIPT GUIDE

This transcript guide provides assistance understanding Normal Community High School transcripts. Please direct any further questions to the Registrar (309-557-4652) or Associate Principal Courtney McClure (309-557-4650).

CONFIDENTIALITY OF RECORDS

In accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, "this student transcript is provided to you with the expressed condition that you will not permit any other party to have access to such information without the written consent of the student" (P.L.93-380, Sec. 513), as amended (P.L.93-568, Sec. 2).

Normal Community High School

Current School Enrollment
(8/21/2023): 2,063

Curriculum

Dual Credit Classes: 19
Honors Classes: 8
AP Classes: 20

Average SAT Composite (Class
of 2024): 1020

Class of 2023

Class Size: 428
Attending Post Secondary: 87%
Attending 4 year College: 70%
Attending 2 year college: 28%
Attending Voc/Tech school: 2%
Military: 3%
Work Force / Gap Year: 10%
December Graduates: 13
Graduation Date: May 27, 2023
IL State Scholars: 73
National Merit Scholar Semi-
Finalists: 2

Diploma Designations

Normal Community High School offers 2 concentrations that students can earn on their high school diploma. The first is a STEM concentration, which requires 8 semesters of STEM courses, along with a STEM Capstone course their senior year. The second is a Technology Concentration. This designation requires 6 semesters of classes in an area of technology.

Associate of Science Degree Program with Concentration in Computer Science

Heartland Community College partners with us to make it possible for students to earn an Associates Degree while simultaneously earning their high school diploma. Students have to complete a specific plan of study, along with taking some summer courses through HCC. This program will end at NCHS with the class of 2025.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

A one-half (.50) credit is earned for each semester of enrollment in a course with a passing grade of D or above. Students are required to be enrolled in no less than six (6) courses per semester, although many students carry seven courses. Twenty-four (24) credits are required for graduation and must include the following:

English	4
Math*	3
Social Science**	2
Science	2
Health Physical Ed.** *	3.5
Consumer Ed.	0.5
Electives	9
TOTAL	24

* 1.0 credit Algebra I Content

**1.0 credit of US History I & II, 0.5 credit of Civics (starting with class of 2020) and Successful completion of Constitution Test. Computer Literacy state of Illinois requirement is included in U.S. History.

*****Optional:** Driver Education: Classroom—30 hours; **Optional:** Behind the Wheel 6 hours.

**0.5 credit of Health

Students must take Physical Education every semester that they are enrolled in school
The school year is divided into 2 semesters. A semester is 18 weeks with 9 week reporting periods. Class periods are 49 minutes in length, 5 days a week.

GRADE POINT AVERAGE SCALE

NCHS does not use class rank or percentiles for students.
Weighted 4.0 Grading Scale

Letter	Standard	Dual Credit (DC)	Honors (H)	Advanced Placement (AP)
A	4	5	5	5
B	3	4	4	4
C	2	3	3	3
D	1	2	2	2
F	0	0	0	0

SPECIAL COURSES

Many courses are offered according to the difficulty of the subject matter. Honors is designated by an H; Dual Credit is designated by DC; Advanced Placement is designated by AP. All 3 of these special types of courses receive additional GPA weight. Standard level courses receive no special designation on the transcript.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

Twenty AP courses are available to students; however, not all are offered every year, based on student demand. Courses are offered in Art, Computer Science, English, Science, Math, Social Studies, Music, and Foreign Language.

DUAL CREDIT

We currently offer 13 dual credit classes through Heartland Community College; however, not all are offered every year, based on student demand. We also have 6 CTE courses which receive credit at Heartland Community College, for a total of 19 dual credit opportunities. Dual credit courses are offered in core subject areas and select elective departments. Our CTE courses are offered in our Family & Consumer Science and Technology departments, respectively.