



# HOLLISTON HIGH SCHOOL

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## Community & School Characteristics

Holliston is a suburban, residential community located in Middlesex County, west of Boston, with a population of 13,668.

Enrollment: 813 Class of 2024: 193

- 4-day rotating block schedule - 4 x 77 min. periods/day
- 4 academic courses required each term
- Core courses – daily - 1 semester - earn 1 credit
- Some AP courses – daily - 3 terms - earn 1.5 credits
- Other courses – daily - 1 term - earn 0.5 credit

## Holliston Public Schools Vision of a Graduate

The Holliston Public Schools, in partnership with our community, are committed to supporting students on their journeys to live healthy, meaningful, and productive lives. Through our Pre-K-12+ curriculum and experiences, our students become engaged global citizens, innovative thinkers, effective communicators, and lifelong learners who exemplify character and live balanced lives.

## Special Programs & Grading Notes

### Art Honors Major Program

The Art Honors Major Program is an application-based program of study in the visual arts for the serious-minded art student. Students develop a portfolio over the course of their four years and participate in the district's annual art show, *Art Saves Lives*.

### French Immersion Program

The French Immersion Program spans grades K–12. Students enter kindergarten in an immersive French-speaking environment. They gradually transition to a traditional schedule in the middle school.

### Global Citizens Program (GCP) & Endorsement

Through a variety of interdisciplinary globally-centered courses and real-world extracurricular experiences, GCP students will become active participants, creative problem solvers, and authentic change-makers in our ever-changing and diverse world. Those who successfully fulfill the program's requirements complete a capstone project and earn the GCP Endorsement upon graduation.

### Computer Science Endorsement (CSE)

The CSE program is a way for HHS students to focus their electives on computer science-related courses and projects. Students participate in curriculum covering coding and programming, hardware systems, complex applications, and societal issues. Students earning the CSE do so upon successful completion of program requirements, which includes executing and presenting an independent project.

## Proficiency-Based Classroom Models

Holliston High School has embraced the practice of proficiency-based classrooms which provide qualitative feedback to students throughout the course. This collaborative model of education has been fully adopted by our Fine and Performing Arts Department, World Language Department, and our AP Literature sections. Numerical grades are given to students at the end of the term/semester.

## Internship & Senior Project Program

Holliston High School seniors are encouraged to explore career interests and abilities through their voluntary participation in an internship program. Seniors are also encouraged to explore and experience interdisciplinary topics of their choice that extend beyond the high school classroom through the Senior Project program.

## Grading & GPA

Holliston High School does not calculate rank. An unweighted GPA is calculated. GPA is based on a 4.33 (A+) scale. GPA is calculated at the end of each semester. The highest GPA for the Class of 2023 was 4.20.

### Grading System

A+ 100-97	A 96-93	A- 92-90	
B+ 89-87	B 86-83	B- 82-80	
C+ 79-77	C 76-73	C- 72-70	
D+ 69-67	D 66-63	D- 62-60	F < 60

WP – Withdraw Pass

WF – Withdraw Fail

WE – Withdraw Excused

## Graduation Requirements

- English - 4.5 credits
- Mathematics - 4 credits
- Social Studies - 4 credits
- Science - 4 credits
- World Language - 2 credits
- Fine & Performing Arts - 1 credit
- Wellness - 2 credits

Total: 26 credits

## Post-Secondary Outcomes

### Class of 2023

- 4-year college - 92%
- 2-year college - 1%
- Employment - 3%
- Military - 1%
- Other - 3%

### Class of 2022

- 4-year college - 82%
- 2-year college - 4%
- Employment - 2%
- Military - 1%
- Other - 11%

## Advanced Placement Program

- AP courses are offered to students beginning in 10th grade.
- 22 AP courses are offered.
- Spring of 2023 AP score data:
  - 242 students took 426 AP exams
  - 75% of exams received a score of 3, 4, or 5
  - 48% of exams received a score of 4 or 5

## Standardized Testing

### SAT- 2022-2023 School Year

- Evidence-Based Reading & Writing - 610
- Math - 599
- Total - 1209

### ACT - 2022-2023 School Year

- Average Composite Score - 28

## Important Notes for 2023-2024

- AP Calculus AB/BC – these are 3-term APs, running terms 2, 3, and 4.
- Term 1 grades for college applications will be available by November 30.
- Semester 1 grades for college applications will be available by February 9.