

chaska high school

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80% of the school's faculty members hold a Master's degree or higher.

2023-2024

SCHOOL PROFILE

Grades 9-12

Enrollment: 1,589

Size of Senior Class: 374

School year: Two semesters

CEEB/ACT Code: 240-423

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Community

Chaska High School is a public high school for grades 9-12 located 25 miles southwest of Minneapolis, Minnesota. Serving this community for more than a century, we have a long tradition of curricular excellence, student success and community support. It is part of Eastern Carver County Schools, which serves approximately 9,100 students in grades K-12 from the communities of Carver, Chanhassen, Chaska and Victoria.

Our high school program supports our commitment to preparing all students for post-secondary success. Our commitment is personalized learning. That means continuous progress in our elementary schools, personalized plans starting in middle school, and high schools that are small in size yet offer college preparatory courses and comprehensive curricula.

Students choose electives from four Areas of Interest designed to offer depth in an area relevant for their emerging passions and interests.

The Areas of Interest are:

- Arts and Communication
- Global Studies
- Health & Social Sciences
- STEM – Science, Technology, Engineering & Math

Within each area, students select a Program of Study to deepen and focus learning.

For complete course descriptions go to:
<http://eccs.mn/hsregistration>.

2023 Graduation Requirements

| | |
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| English | 4 credits |
| Math | 3 credits |
| Social Studies | 3.5 credits |
| Science | 3 credits (Physics, Chemistry & Biology) |
| World Language | 1 credit |
| Fine Arts | 1 credit |
| Personal Wellness | 1.5 credits |
| Electives | 6 credits |
| Total | 23 credits |

Transcript Information

Official transcripts, including a student's academic credits and grade point average (GPA), are sent with an embossed Chaska High School seal. Our school does not report rank or percentile ratings. GPA includes all classes weighted equally.

Eastern Carver County Schools' commitment to providing a premier education requires a transition from a traditional grading system to a standards-based reporting system at the course level. This system provides clearer and more comprehensive information to students and families about what, specifically, a student has learned. All final course grades are reported as a letter grade and calculated into the cumulative GPA in a standard format.
A = 4.0, B = 3.0, C = 2.0, D = 1.0, F = 0

Arts, Activities and Athletics

Chaska High students have enriching experiences in the arts, activities and athletics. We offer an array of opportunities including band, orchestra, jazz band, choirs and theater. Students participate in activities such as Speech, DECA, Knowledge Bowl, National Honor Society and Debate and choose from clubs including Key Club and International Club. Chaska High School offers over 30 varsity programs and is a member of the Metro West Conference, part of the Minnesota State High School League.

Advanced Coursework

Students choose a variety of advanced learning options that offer academic challenge, accelerated learning, and college credit.

X Classes – Accelerated science classes allow students to learn two years of content in one year. Accelerated English classes offer three years of content in two years.

- * English 9/10 X and English 10/11 X
- * Physics X
- * Chemistry X

Advanced Placement – Students choose from 30 AP classes.

- AP Biology
- AP Calculus AB
- AP Calculus BC
- AP Chemistry
- AP Comparative Government & Politics
- AP Computer Science A
- AP Computer Science Principles
- AP English Language & Composition
- AP English Literature & Composition
- AP Environmental Science
- AP European History
- AP French Language & Culture
- AP German Language & Culture
- AP Human Geography
- AP Macroeconomics
- AP Music Theory
- AP Physics 1
- AP Psychology
- AP Research*
- AP Seminar*
- AP Spanish Language & Culture
- AP Spanish Literature & Culture
- AP Statistics
- AP Studio Art: 2-D Design
- AP Studio Art: 3-D Design
- AP United States Government & Politics
- AP United States History

*year-long course: *at the end of Sem 1, students receive an IP (In-Progress) on transcript and 0 credit as the course grade is ongoing during Sem 2. At the end of Sem 2, students receive a year-long grade and 1.0 credit.*

Other Program Options:

Articulated Courses – *Allow students to earn college credit(s) and hands-on experience while staying in the high school setting.*

- Blended and Online Courses
- Integrated Arts Academy
- PSEO (Post Secondary Enrollment Option)
- SouthWest Metro Educational Cooperative

Achievement Indicators

| National Merit | Class of 2023 | Class of 2022 | Class of 2021 |
|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Commended | 3 | 4 | 4 |
| Semifinalists | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| AP Exams | 23-23 | 21-22 | 20-21 |
| AP Exams Taken | 835 | 617 | 637 |
| AP Exams Passed | 299 | 429 | 386 |
| AP Scholars | 22-23 | 21-22 | 20-21 |
| AP Scholars | 54 | 42 | 51 |
| AP Scholars w/Honors | 15 | 17 | 17 |
| AP Scholars w/Distinction | 36 | 36 | 37 |
| National AP Scholars | 2 | x | x |
| AP Capstone Diploma | 2 | 3 | 1 |
| ACT | 22-23 | 21-22 | 20-21 |
| Composite Score | Not yet available | 20.8 | 23.1 |
| MN Composite Score | Not yet available | 21.0 | 21.6 |

Post-secondary Plans – Class of 2023

372 Graduating Seniors (359 reporting):

83% continue their education

- 238 attend a public college/university
- 61 attend a private college/university
- 56 - Military/Work/Travel/STAR Program/Athletics/Undecided

GPA Distribution - Class of 2023

