



Great Neck Public Schools

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Profile: Class of 2016

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COMMUNITY Great Neck is a residential community of some 40,000 people on the North Shore of Long Island, in Nassau County, within easy commuting distance of Manhattan. Great Neck residents, typically well-educated, are concerned about education and have high expectations for their school system.

SCHOOLS About 6,450 students, grades K–12, attend the Great Neck Public Schools. There are three high schools: North, South, and Village (a small alternative high school), and SEAL Program, an alternative high school. There are two middle schools and four elementary schools. Our students have diverse backgrounds; they come from over 40 countries and represent a broad socioeconomic range. Approximately 1,100 students are enrolled in North High School for 2015–16. The Great Neck school district has, from its inception, offered a highly academic, enriched, and comprehensive program.

NATIONAL RECOGNITION National publications consistently and historically have included Great Neck North High School among the top secondary schools in the country. These publications have based their conclusions on surveys of groups such as college admissions officers, the Carnegie Foundation, the Institute for Educational Leadership at the George Washington University, and the National Association of Secondary School Principals, as well as on standardized measures of student performance, such as Advanced Placement (AP) and New York State Regents exams.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

North High School Class of 2015 New York State Regents achievements:

- 96 percent earned a Regents Endorsed Diploma
- 68 percent received a Regents Advanced Diploma
- 37 percent received a Regents Advanced Diploma with Honors (achieving an average of 90 or better on eight exams)

Our students continue to garner awards on the local and national levels including:

- American High School Math Exam
- American International Math Exam
- Character Matters
- Intel Science Talent Search
- Lincoln Center Chamber Music Concert
- Music competitions
- Natl Council of Teachers of English
- Natl foreign language exams
- Natl Foundation for the Arts
- Research in social sciences
- Siemens Westinghouse Competition in Math, Science, and Technology
- Writing competitions
- Young artists competitions

CURRICULUM We offer Advanced Placement (AP), Honors, and Regents courses; career training; English as a Second Language (ESL); and remedial and special education.

- Community School, a highly academic English, social studies, and human relations program, has provided an alternative approach to learning for over 40 years; it is a recognized model for a student-centered community-education environment.
- Independent Study program provides the opportunity for students to pursue their own academic interests.
- All seniors are required to do community service as part of their social studies program.
- An accomplished orchestral, band, and choral music program has earned local, state, and national honors.
- Our Science Research program has promoted science research and education in our school and earned a plethora of local, state, and national awards.
- We are equally proud of initiating the district-wide special education program, ACE (Academic and Career Education).
- 23 AP courses are offered—all students enrolled in AP courses are required to take AP exams.

CUMULATIVE AVERAGE

The cumulative average, computed at the end of eleventh grade, includes all subjects in which a student received a final numerical grade. **There is no weighting of grades for honors and advanced placement courses.**

CLASS RANK

In accordance with Great Neck Board of Education policy, **students are not ranked by cumulative averages relative to their classmates.** A distribution of cumulative averages for the North High School Class of 2016, computed at the end of eleventh grade, follows.

DISTRIBUTION OF CUMULATIVE AVERAGES

NORTH HIGH SCHOOL — CLASS OF 2016

Cumulative Averages	% of Class
95 & above	8.0
90–94.9	32.5
85–89.9	25.4
80–84.9	18.6
75–79.9	8.7
70–74.9	5.7
65–69.9	1.1

Past statistical analysis has indicated a correlation between scores on New York State Regents Examinations and final course grades of approximately +.80.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Subject Area	22 Units of Credit
English	4
Social Studies	4
Mathematics	3
Science	3
Foreign Language	1
Health Education	1
Physical Education	2
Art/Music/Drama	1
Practical Arts (Business, F.A.C.S., Tech. Ed.)	.5
Computer Ed. or Word Processing	.5
Electives	2

FUTURE PLANS

NORTH HIGH SCHOOL — CLASS OF 2015

Higher Education	95.3%
Four-Year Colleges	83.4%
Two-Year Colleges	11.9%
Other	4.7%

SCHOLARSHIP AND AWARD DATA

Program	Recipients
National Merit Scholarship Competition, 2015–16	
Semifinalists	3
Commended Students	6
College Board AP Scholar Awards Program, 2014–2015	
National Scholars	34
Scholars with Distinction	93
Scholars with Honors	44
AP International Diploma	1
Scholars	59
Intel Science Talent Search Semifinalists, 2014–15	2
International Science & Engineering Fair Finalist, 2014–15	1

COLLEGE BOARD ADMISSIONS TESTS NORTH HIGH SCHOOL — CLASS OF 2015

Test*	Number Tested	School Mean	State Mean
SAT–Critical Reading	193	566	489
SAT–Math	193	596	502
SAT–Writing	193	583	478

SAT II: Subject Tests

Biology–E	7	677
Biology–M	9	676
Chemistry	29	697
Literature	10	643
Math–Level I	23	654
Math–Level II	49	731
Physics	29	736
US History	34	678
World History	22	662

* *Unofficial copy of SAT scores no longer sent by our school.*

ACT (American College Testing) NORTH HIGH SCHOOL — CLASS OF 2015

Test	Number Tested	School Mean	State Mean
English	123	26.0	23.0
Mathematics	123	26.3	23.8
Reading	123	25.9	23.9
Science	123	25.3	23.5
Composite	123	26.0	23.7
Writing	114	25.4	22.9

ADVANCED PLACEMENT TESTS NORTH HIGH SCHOOL — 2014–2015

Subject	Number Tested*	% With 3 or Better
Art: 2D Design	6	100
Art: Drawing	14	93
Art History	18	83
Biology	101	97
Chemistry	22	86
Chinese Language	23	74
Computer Science A	15	100
Economics: Macro	83	67
Economics: Micro	83	81
English Language & Composition	67	93
English Literature & Composition	66	85
Environmental Science	74	55
French Language and Culture	21	86
Government & Politics: US	19	89
History: European	27	96
History: United States	69	97
History: World	76	78
Math: Calculus AB	60	95
Math: Calculus BC	31	100
Music Theory	11	73
Physics 1	24	71
Physics 2	1	0
Physics C: Electricity & Magnetism	13	92
Physics C: Mechanics	13	100
Psychology	75	96
Spanish Language	27	100
Statistics	36	89

* 329 students, representing 61.3% of eleventh- and twelfth-graders, took 1 or more AP tests. 84 tenth-graders and 6 ninth-graders took 1 or more AP tests.

COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES ATTENDED BY THE CLASSES OF 2011–2015

The number following each school represents the total number of students enrolled during this five-year period.

Adelphi University	7	Jewish Theological Seminary of America	2	SUNY-College at Plattsburgh	2
American University	1	Johns Hopkins University	3	SUNY-College at Potsdam	1
Arcadia University	1	Julliard School, The	1	SUNY-College at Purchase	2
Arizona State University	1	Lafayette College	1	SUNY-College of Environmental Science and Forestry	2
Babson College	2	Lehigh University	5	SUNY-College of Technology at Canton	1
Bar-Ilan University, Israel	5	Lewis & Clark College	1	SUNY-Fashion Institute of Technology	13
Barnard College	5	LIM College	6	Swarthmore College	1
Barry University	1	LIU Brooklyn	1	Syracuse University	10
Bates College	1	LIU Post	11	Tel Aviv University	3
Bentley University	1	Loyola College Maryland	1	Temple University	2
Berklee College of Music	1	Lynn University	2	Texas Tech University Honors College	1
Boston College	3	Manhattan College	1	Touro College	5
Boston University	17	Manhattanville College	1	Trinity College	3
Bowdoin College	1	Maryland Institute College of Art	1	Tufts University	6
Brandeis University	6	Marymount Manhattan College	2	Tulane University	16
Brigham Young University-Idaho	1	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	2	Union College	4
Brown University	2	McGill University	1	University of Alabama	3
Bryn Maur College	1	Miami University (Oxford, Ohio)	3	University of Arizona	1
Bucknell University	2	Michigan Jewish Institute	1	University of California-Berkeley	2
California Institute of Technology	2	Middlebury College	1	University of California-Los Angeles	7
Carnegie-Mellon University	3	Molloy College	3	University of California-San Diego	4
Case Western Reserve University	1	Montgomery College	1	University of California-Santa Barbara	1
Champlain College	1	Muhlenberg College	3	University of Central Florida	1
College of Charleston	1	Nassau Community College	91	University of Chicago	5
Columbia College Chicago	1	National Taiwan University	1	University of Colorado Boulder	2
Columbia University	5	New York Institute of Technology	14	University of Connecticut	3
Cornell University	11	New York University	50	University of Delaware	16
CUNY-Baruch College	43	Northeastern University	5	University of Florida	4
CUNY-Borough of Manhattan CC	4	Northwestern University	10	University of Georgia	1
CUNY-Brooklyn College	1	Oberlin College	1	University of Hartford	2
CUNY-City College of New York, The	6	Ohio State University, The	3	University of Kentucky	1
CUNY-Fiorello H. LaGuardia CC	2	Pace University New York City Campus	20	University of Maryland-College Park	11
CUNY-Guttman Community College	1	Parsons The New School for Design	1	University of Massachusetts-Amherst	6
CUNY-Hunter College	28	Pennsylvania State University	12	University of Miami	7
CUNY-John Jay College	4	Pratt Institute	3	University of Michigan	19
CUNY-Macaulay Honors College	8	Purdue University	3	University of Missouri Columbia	1
CUNY-New York City College of Technology	2	Quinnipiac University	4	University of New Hampshire	1
CUNY-Queens College	78	Reed College	1	University of New Orleans	1
CUNY-Queensborough CC	45	Roanoke College	1	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	1
CUNY-Sophie Davis School of Biomedical Ed	1	Rochester Institute of Technology	1	University of Oxford, United Kingdom	1
Curry College	1	Rollins College	1	University of Pennsylvania	5
Dartmouth College	4	Salisbury University	1	University of Pittsburgh	2
DePaul University	1	Sarah Lawrence College	1	University of Rhode Island	3
Drexel University	4	Schenectady County Community College	1	University of Rochester	1
Duke University	7	School of Visual Arts	5	University of Southern California	3
Eastern Connecticut State University	1	Skidmore College	4	University of Texas at Austin	2
Emerson College	1	Smith College	1	University of Toronto	1
Emory University	17	Southern Methodist University	1	University of Vermont	5
Eugene Lang College The New School for Liberal Arts	10	St. John's University Queens Campus	18	University of Virginia	1
Fairfield University	1	Stanford University	4	University of Washington	1
Florida Institute of Technology	1	Suffolk County CC, Ammerman Campus	2	University of Wisconsin-Madison	5
Florida State University	2	Suffolk University	1	Ursinus College	1
Fordham University	4	SUNJ-Rutgers	1	Vanderbilt University	2
Franklin & Marshall College	1	SUNY-Albany	18	Vaughn College of Aeronautics and Technology	1
George Washington University, The	21	SUNY-Binghamton	42	Villanova University	1
Goucher College	1	SUNY-Buffalo	20	Vassar College	1
Grinnell College	1	SUNY-Stony Brook	19	Washington University in St. Louis	2
Harvard University	8	SUNY-Buffalo State College	2	Wentworth Institute of Technology	1
Haverford College	1	SUNY-College at Brockport	1	Wesleyan University	3
Hobart and William Smith Colleges	1	SUNY-College at Cortland	2	West Virginia University	3
Hofstra University	30	SUNY-College at Farmingdale	4	Wilkes University	1
Indiana University Bloomington	9	SUNY-College at Fredonia	1	Williams College	2
Institute of Audio Research	2	SUNY-College at Geneseo	4	Yale University	3
Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya	3	SUNY-College at Old Westbury	4	Yeshiva University	11
Iona College	1	SUNY-College at Oneonta	4	York College of Pennsylvania	1
Ithaca College	4	SUNY-College at Oswego	5		

SENIOR PROGRAMS Faculty, students, and administrators have worked together to create innovative programs that provide seniors with a college-level seminar experience, challenge them intellectually, demand higher-level thinking and writing skills, and integrate learning through thematic studies. Most importantly, these programs recognize seniors as young adults on their way to college and expect a consequent level of maturity and responsibility from them.

CITIZENS OF THE WORLD is a two-credit program that fulfills the twelfth-grade English and social studies requirements. It utilizes an interdisciplinary approach to help students appreciate the diversity of human experience and understand the worldwide forces that affect their lives. This course explores current global trends in political, economic, and social mores that influence the world in which we live.

REFLECTIONS is a three-credit, humanities-based program with a community-service component. The week is divided between interdisciplinary studies and community-service activities. The curriculum thematically explores issues of Europe and the United States from the nineteenth to the twenty-first centuries through various readings and the arts. Students participate in an ongoing community-service activity twice weekly. Each student selects a nonprofit organization of particular interest and commits to the organization for the entire year.

SENIOR SEMINAR is a three-credit program that combines English, social studies, art and business. In this interdisciplinary seminar, students investigate the theme of American identity. Students are exposed to novels, short stories, poems, and essays of the twentieth century. To complement the literature, there is extensive research on the historical, political, social, and business issues of each decade. Students engage in internships in the spring semester or complete an in-depth independent study project.

STAGES is an interdisciplinary program developed by the music, drama, English, and social studies departments for seniors who have a strong interest and demonstrable ability in some aspect of the performing arts. This three-period, three-credit program meets the English and social studies requirements and grants an elective credit. Emphasis is on the examination, analysis, and creation of music and drama, on the processes inherent in the composition of theatrical material, and on the development and execution of a performable piece. Students study literature, style, politics, economics, history, and the relationships among these disciplines.

EXTRACURRICULAR PROGRAMS Eighty-five percent of our students participate in extracurricular activities.

ATHLETIC TEAMS. Students compete on 38 interscholastic teams, including: badminton, baseball, basketball, bowling, cross-country, fencing, field hockey, football, gymnastics, lacrosse, soccer, softball, swimming, tennis, volleyball, and wrestling.

CLUBS AND PROGRAMS include, but are not limited to: athletic leadership, Battle of the Classes, debate-forensic teams, Fashion Show, Find the Cure, Habitat for Humanity, Homecoming, Key Club, Kilties, Math Team, Mock Trial, Model Congress, Model UN, Overture, Peer Drug Educators, photography, real estate/investment, Relay for Life, SADD, Student Organization, and Unity Day.

- Artfest, held annually, displays a year's worth of commitment in the performing and visual arts.
- Fine Arts and Performing Arts produce outstanding plays, musicals, concerts, and exhibitions in venues ranging from North High to Carnegie Hall and Disney World.
- Journalism opportunities feature eight publications, several of which earn local and national awards.
- Peer AIDS-education, an acclaimed program, in which students, trained in AIDS education by the professional staff of a hospital, plan and implement programs for the entire school.
- Peer Leadership involves about 100 juniors and seniors who are trained in required classes to facilitate groups, be mentors to younger students, and leaders in the school.
- Peer Mentoring connects high school mentors with at-risk middle school students.

ACCREDITATION & INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERSHIPS Great Neck North High School is accredited and certified by the New York State Education Department. The school holds institutional memberships with the College Entrance Examination Board, the National Association of College Admissions Counselors, the National Association of Secondary School Principals, and the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development.

COUNSELORS All counselors, except the department head, have caseloads of approximately 180 students. The vast majority of students work with the same counselor for all four years of high school in all facets of guidance-program activities, from personal counseling to academic planning and college counseling. Students meet with counselors individually and in small groups for a variety of purposes throughout the academic year.

VISITS BY COLLEGE ADMISSIONS REPRESENTATIVES College representatives are always welcome in our school to meet with counselors and interested students. "Mini-College Days" are held regularly. Schedules for these events are available each spring for the following year. They can be obtained by contacting the guidance office.

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