Great Neck
VILLAGE
SCHOOL





The premier alternative education high school for students seeking personalized attention and innovative curriculum brought to you by the prestigious Great Neck Public School District.

Just Different.



Community & Schools

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. About 6,5000 students, grades K–12, attend the Great Neck Public Schools. There are three high schools: North, South, and Village. In addition, SEAL serves as an alternative high school program. Approximately 50 students are enrolled in the Village School each academic year. There are also two middle schools and four elementary schools. Our students have diverse backgrounds; they come from over 40 countries and represent a broad socioeconomic range.

Recognition

Village School, established in 1970, is one of the nation's oldest and most successful alternative high schools. The school enjoys a national reputation and has been positively evaluated by the Center for the Study of Educational Alternatives at Hofstra University. The American School Board Journal granted its

Magna Award to the School for its exemplary, nontraditional, high school program. As a member of the Coalition of Essential Schools, the Village School and its staff work closely with other member schools and with the education faculty of Brown University.



ABOUT US

Our Program

Village School is a New York State accredited high school program geared toward student individualization and academic excellence. Twenty-two credits, distributed according to New York State requirements and Great Neck standards, are required for graduation.

All of the courses offered at Village
School are ungraded; instead, credits
are earned for successful completion
of courses. This is accomplished
through regular attendance,
a reasonable homework record,
participation, class work and
completion of any required
projects. Assessment is individualized
to meet the needs and expectations of
each student.

Our program includes SAT tutoring, college application assistance, a full one-to-one iPad program, internship opportunities, and so much more. We bring the parent, student, and faculty together as a powerful team, so no student ever gets lost in the shuffle. Village School is thoroughly supported by our Board of Education and the community at large. Village School is what alternative education is supposed to be.

Assessment

Each semester culminates with The Credit Board. These credit-granting panels consist of teachers and students. Every student in the school appears before the Credit Board at the end of each semester to formally apply for credit for his/her work. The Credit Board reviews the student's self-evaluations, teachers' evaluations, attendance and homework records, and any additional evidence of progress the student presents.



Twice a semester, leading up to Credit Boards, support and feedback are provided at Support Group Meetings. At these meetings, the parent, student, and teacher/advisor discuss progress and set goals. Information is provided through written evaluations by each of the student's teachers. In this way, students become active participants in their education: self-aware, involved, and reflective.

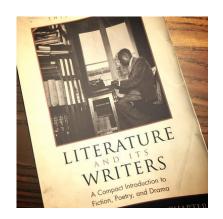


We believe in authentic assessment and student advocacy.









Curriculum

The Village School offers focused studies in the traditional academic areas: English, social studies, science, math, foreign language, art, and music. Some students elect to take additional courses at off-campus institutions, such as local colleges, the Great Neck Continuing Education Program, or at one of Great Neck's two traditional high schools. Students often explore special areas of interest through guided independent study and Village School's internship program.

Graduation Requirements
Subject Area22 Units of Credit
English4
Social Studies4
Mathematics3
Science 3
Foreign Language1
Health Education1/2
Physical Education2
Art/Music/Drama1
Electives 3 1/2

Cumulative Average & Class Rank

Cumulative average and class rank are not computed for Village School students. Admissions officers are encouraged to contact the school's administrator for assistance in evaluating the transcript.

Accreditation & Institutional Memberships

The Village School is accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and certified by the New York State Education Department.

Visits by College Admissions Representatives

College representatives are always welcome in our school to meet with counselors and interested students.