

Highland High School | 2024-25 School Profile

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MISSION

The Highland Local School District is committed to the highest academic and behavioral expectations. Our mission is to guarantee that each learner reaches his/her potential, by providing, in partnership with the community, a quality, progressive, educational program in a safe and dynamic lifelong learning environment.

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COMMUNITY AND DISTRICT

Highland Local School District, located in Medina County, Ohio, offers students a progressive, achievement-oriented educational program and serves approximately 3,300 students from Hinckley, Granger, Sharon, Montville, Copley, Medina, and Brunswick townships. The Highland Local School District ranks as one of the top school districts in Ohio and has consistently received an *Excellent* rating by the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce for the past 15 years. Highland High School is now ranked #8 out of 134 high schools in the Cleveland Metro area, #32 among Ohio's 941 high schools, and #808 out of nearly 18,000 high schools nationally, with an overall score of 95.42/100.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Comprehensive 9-12 High School
- Class of 2024 Enrollment: 262
- 7-period schedule; 45 minutes each
- 85% of Faculty with Masters
- Top 10 rank of 134 high schools in the Cleveland Metropolitan Area
- CEEB: 363-355
- Mascot: Hornets

GRADING SCALE

Cumulative Grade Point Average is based on semester percentage averages from grades 9-12 with a 4-point 'A' scale for College Prep Courses, a 4.5-point 'A' scale for Honors and Third/Fourth year World Language courses and a 5-point 'A' scale for AP courses.

A+	4.3	98-100	C+	2.3	77-79
A	4.0	93-97	C	2.0	73-76
A -	3.7	90-92	C-	1.7	70-72
B+	3.3	87-89	D+	1.3	67-69
B	3.0	83-86	D	1.0	63-66
B -	2.7	80-82	D -	0.7	60-62

*Students taking fine arts credits beyond the 1 required for graduation may opt to take a fine arts class for pass/fail that will not impact GPA.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT AND HONORS

AP Lang & Composition	AP Environmental Science	AP French	H Biology
AP Lit & Composition	AP Chemistry	AP Chinese	H Chemistry
AP Seminar	AP American History	AP Art History*†	H Anatomy I & II†
AP Research	AP US Gov't & Politics	AP Art: 2D	H Geometry
AP Calculus AB	AP Psychology	AP Art: 3D	H Algebra II
AP Calculus BC	AP European History	H Modern World	H Pre-Calculus
AP Statistics	AP Music Theory*†	H American History	Spanish, Mandarin,
AP Physics C	AP Comp. Sci Principles	H English 9-12	Latin + French III/IV
AP Biology	AP Spanish	H Physics	*not offered in 23-24
			†not offered in 24-25

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Graduation requirements for Highland High School graduates go above and beyond the minimum requirements set forth by the Ohio Department of Education, including a required 15 hours of documented community service. Core credits include:

English	4.0	Social Studies	3.0
Speech	0.5	World Language	1.0
Math	4.0	Fine Arts	1.0
Science	3.0	Health/Physical Education	1.0
		Total	21.0

Graduates of the Medina County Career Center can supplement world language and fine arts with their credentialed trade.

GRADUATION HONORS

Summa Cum Laude	4.4
Magna Cum Laude	4.0
Cum Laude	3.7

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does not report class rank.

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CLASS OF 2024 POST-SECONDARY PLANS

- 88.1% 2- or 4- year university
- 3.8% employment
- 1.2% Military enlistment, including appointment to a Marines Academy

CLASS OF 2024 ACCOLADES

- Graduating Class: 262
- 10.6% Summa Cum Laude
- 24.0% Magna Cum Laude
- 15.6% Cum Laude
- Highest GPA: 4.806
- AP Scholar: 50
- AP Scholar w/ Honor: 28
- AP Scholar w/ Distinction: 59
- AP Capstone Diploma: 6

STANDARDIZED TEST RESULTS

Highland High School partners with College Board to offer the NMSQT/PSAT to all students in grades 9-11. As required by the State of Ohio, Highland also administers the SAT test to all students in the spring semester of their junior year. SAT statistics below are based off tests taken during junior year for our Class of 2025. ACT statistics below are for all test scores reported to Highland High School for the 2023-2024 school year.

AP TEST RESULTS: 5-YEAR SCHOOL SUMMARY

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Total AP Students:	262	333	329	310	307
Number of Exams:	513	684	635	650	678
AP Students with Scores 3+:	219	247	260	259	282
% AP Students with Scores 3+:	83.59	74.17	79.03	83.55	91.86

Mean score for AP exams taken in 2024 was 3.7

SAT AND ACT TESTING

SAT:	ACT:
N= 251	N= 202
Mean: 1096	Mean: 23.8
Median: 1100	Median: 24
Mode: 1080	Mode: 25
State Mean: 1048	State Mean: 19.4
17.5% earned 1280 or higher	29% earned 27 or higher

Highland High School graduates have been selected to be National Merit Semifinalists and/or Finalists on an annual basis. Per the recommendation of College Board, we will no longer be reporting National Merit Statistics on our School Profile.

COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS (CCP)

College Credit Plus (CCP) is Ohio’s state funded dual-enrollment program, where eligible students can earn both college and high school credits at the same time by taking college courses from colleges or universities. Highland High School does not currently offer in-house CCP coursework. Students who participate and earn credit in the CCP program complete their coursework independent of Highland’s master schedule. Courses are reflected on the transcript with CCP at the end of the course name. CCP courses are weighted equally with corresponding high school grades in the same subject area, with academic subjects with an AP equivalent earning a 5-point ‘A’ scale.

RECENT UNIVERSITIES ATTENDED BY OUR GRADUATES

CLASS OF 2024: 231 GRADUATES ATTENDING 48 DIFFERENT POST-SECONDARY INSTITUTIONS

American University	Grace College	Pennsylvania State University	University of Florida
Art Academy of Cincinnati	Heidelberg University	Point Park University	University of Illinois at Urbana
Ashland University	Illinois Wesleyan University	Rochester Institute of Technology	University of Kentucky
Baldwin Wallace University	John Carroll University	Savannah College of Art & Design	University of Michigan
Bowling Green State University	Kent State University	Slippery Rock University	University of Mount Union
Brigham Young University	Lewis & Clark College	Southern New Hampshire University	University of New Hampshire
Case Western Reserve University	Liberty University	Southern Virginia University	University of North Carolina
Cedarville University	Malone University	Syracuse University	University of Notre Dame
Clemson University	Marietta College	The College of Wooster	University of Pittsburgh
Cleveland Institute of Art	Mercyhurst University	The King's College	University of South Florida
Cleveland State University	Miami University, Oxford	The University of Alabama	University of Toledo
Coastal Carolina University	Mount Vernon Nazarene University	The University of Findlay	University of Virginia
College of Charleston	Muskingum University	The University of Tampa	Virginia Polytechnic Institute
Columbus College of Art and Design	New York University	United States Air Force Academy	Walsh University
Cornell University	Northwestern University	United States Merchant Marine Academy	Washington and Lee University
Denison University	Ohio Dominican University	United States Military Academy	Waynesburg University
Duquesne University	Ohio Northern University	United States Naval Academy	Wheaton College
Florida Atlantic University	Ohio State University	University of Akron	Wittenberg University
Florida State University	Ohio University	University of Chicago	Wright State University
Gannon University	Ohio Wesleyan University	University of Cincinnati	Xavier University
George Washington University	Otterbein University	University of Dayton	Youngstown State University