

Amherst Central High School

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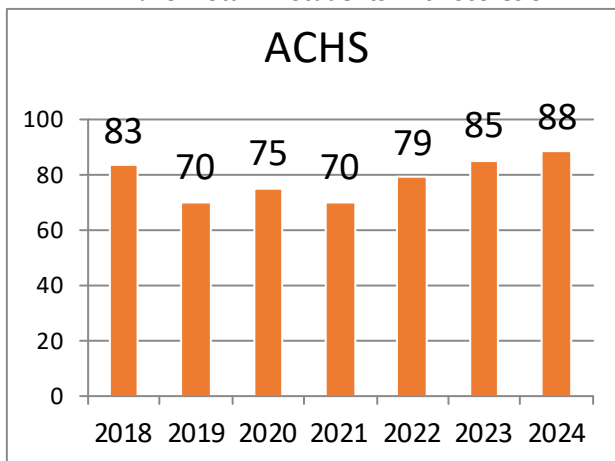
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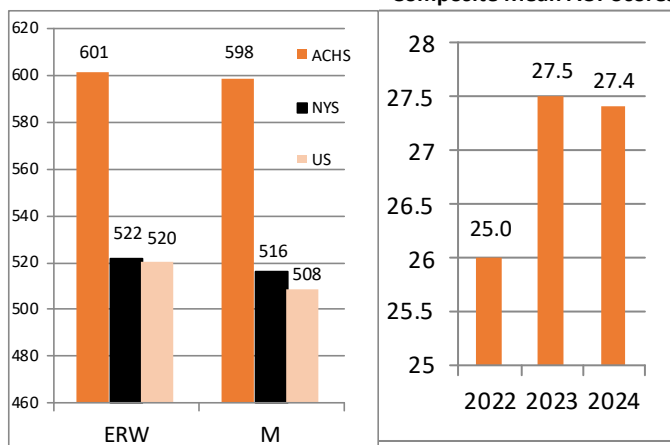
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% of Total AP Students With Scores 3+



2023 Overall Mean SAT Scores

Composite Mean ACT Scores



2024 Academic Profile

Our School – ACHS is a comprehensive high school of 800+ students located in the historic suburbs of Buffalo, NY – Eggertsville and Snyder. Tradition, Pride and Achievement are the guiding principles of our work at the high school. Amherst has a proud tradition of excellence in academics, arts, and athletics dating back to 1933. Today, Amherst Central High School consistently ranks in the top tier of high schools across Western New York and has enjoyed annual national recognition by US News and World Report and Newsweek for our students' academic success. Our excellent graduation rates pave the way for our graduates to attend competitive colleges and universities and also provide outstanding employment options for those seeking a school to work transition. Our school prides itself on providing a very balanced curriculum with strong emphasis on academic rigor, artistic training, personal wellness and character development. Students are well rounded, fulfilling requirements beyond that of New York State in computer technology, practical arts as well as career and financial management.

Our community - Amherst Central High School is situated in Snyder, a hamlet of the town of Amherst, NY. The hamlet features two buildings on the National Register of Historic Places, representing early residential development in the area.

For decades, being situated between the University of Buffalo South and North Campus, Amherst has been a diverse community with an international flavor and strong values rooted in learning. Our mission is educating the whole child, and we strive to create successful global citizens armed for a lifetime of professional success and personal integrity.

Statistics Class of 2024

- 75% of seniors went on to further their education (63% to 4-year colleges/universities; 12% to 2-year schools)
- 15 seniors entered employment/apprenticeships
- 3 seniors entered the Armed Services
- 56% of our graduates earned a Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation (20% of those graduates earned the Regents Diploma Advanced with Honors based on a 90% average or higher on all required Regents assessments.)
- 2 students were National Merit Finalists
- 8 students were National Merit Commended Students
- This year's seniors filed 1025 applications at 218 different colleges and universities.
- 28% of student population enrolled in AP courses.
- Students qualifying for free and reduced lunch rates: 18%
- Languages other than English spoken in student household: 11%
- English Language Learners: 6%

Sample of College Acceptances

Albany
Alfred State
Alfred University
American University
Arizona State
Baldwin Wallace
Bard College
Boston College
Boston University
Bowdoin
Bowling Green State University
Brockport
Brown University
Buffalo State
Canisius College
Capitol Technology University
Chatham University
Colgate University
Cornell University
Delhi
Duke University
Duquesne University
Eastman School of Music
ESF
Emory University
Fashion Institute of Technology (FIT)
Florida Tech
Frank Phillips Community College, Texas
Fredonia
Geneseo
Georgetown
Hobart and William Smith Colleges
John Carroll
Johns Hopkins
Kent State
Mehlenberg
Mercyhurst
Michigan State
New Paltz
Niagara Falls Culinary Institute
Niagara University
North Carolina State
Notre Dame
NYU
Oberlin Conservatory of Music
Ohio State
Oneonta
Oswego
Penn State
Potsdam
Princeton
Purchase
Rice University
RIT
RPI
Roberts Wesleyan
Roger William University
St. Bonaventure
Stony Brook
Syracuse University
SUNY Maritime
Trocaire College
Tulane
Vanderbilt University
University of Alabama
University at Buffalo
University of Cincinnati
University of Delaware
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
University of Pennsylvania
University of Pittsburgh
University of Rochester
University of South Carolina
University of Virginia
Wellesley College
Yale



GPA and Class Ranking

GPA and class rank are based on final grades for all courses completed at Amherst Central High School only. Rank includes all students graduating in the class who have completed a minimum of four semesters at Amherst High School. The grade weighting scale below is used to compute weighted averages.

Grade Weighting Scale

<u>Level</u>	<u>Weight</u>
Advanced Placement	x 1.1
Honors/College	x 1.05
Regents/DR/NR	x 1.0

**Class rank is calculated using weighted grades.*

**Individual course grades appear on the transcript as unweighted grades.*

AP Preparation for Advanced Placement Tests of the College Entrance Examination Board. AP courses are offered in:

English Lit & Comp*	Physics 1	Economics-Mic.*	Pre-Calculus AP
English Lang. & Comp	Psychology	Govt & Pol*	Calculus AB*
European History	US History	Biology	Chemistry
Computer Science Principles	Music Theory AP	AP 2-D Art & Design	Statistics

**traditionally 12th grade courses*

Advanced Studies - Partnership through the State University of New York, Niagara University, and Syracuse University for college credit.

College Precalculus R (Honors weight)	College Accounting (Honors weight)
College Computer Apps. (Regents weight)	College Spanish 4 (Honors weight)
College Calculus (Honors weight)	College French 4 (Honors weight)
College Environmental Science (Honors weight)	College Spanish 5 (AP weight)
College Anatomy & Physiology (Regents weight)	College French 5 (AP weight)
Intro to Pre-Calc & Stats (Regents weight)	Computer Science Principals (AP weight)
Business Law (Regents weight)	Presentational Speaking (Honors weight)
	Hospitality & Tourism (Regents weight)

H Honors program for students of superior aptitude and achievement.

R Regents - The regular, standard curriculum for this grade and subject for students planning on post high school education.

NR Non-Regents - Courses do not lead to Regents assessment.

IS Independent Study

UB Gifted Math indicates The Gifted Math Program at the State University of New York at Buffalo.

1-4 Honors Weighted 5-6 AP Weighted

CFM is Career and Financial Management and is required for all students

Amherst Academies of Marketing, Hospitality, Accounting, and Computer Information Systems, are available to students. Successful completion involves designated coursework in the Academy (including a college credit bearing course) and passing NYS exam, along with the opportunity to complete an internship.

Internship is a program that offers students an opportunity to explore a career on-the-job under the guidance of mentors in areas of career interest.

Work Experience - Students may earn credit for current employment in the community.

Community Service - Involvement in the community is a requirement and, along with the many students who volunteer their time, seniors are required to complete 15 hours of community service.

The Marking System

Definitions

90-100	Distinguished Performance
80-89	Proficient Performance
70-79	Competent Performance
65-69	Minimally Competent Performance
Below 65	Performance Not Meeting Minimal Standards

Conversion Table

A+ 98-100	C+ 77-79
A 93-97	C 73-76
A- 90-92	C- 70-72
B+ 87-89	D+ 69
B 83-86	D 66-68
B- 80-82	D- 65
	F Below 65