



PORTLAND HIGH SCHOOL Profile 2024-25

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Total Enrollment: 912

Class of 2025: 289

MISSION

Portland High School, as part of the greater Portland Public School community, is responsible for ensuring a challenging, relevant, and joyful education that empowers every learner to make a difference in the world. We build relationships among families, educators and the community to promote the healthy development and academic achievement of every learner.

SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY

Portland is the largest city in Maine with a population of nearly 70,000. It features industrial and business interests, professional sports, an orchestra, theaters, museums, a busy port and working waterfront, an international jetport, and a lively arts district. One of three public high schools in the city, Portland High is among the oldest public high schools in the nation. Portland High School is a comprehensive four-year school located in the downtown district.

There are 912 students enrolled as of October 2024.

Approximately 40% of our student population is made up of immigrants representing 45 different countries and 20 languages, making Portland High School (PHS) one of the most diverse high schools north of Boston. PHS cultivates the academic, social, emotional and civic skills of every student by fostering a mindset of lifelong learning and inspiring students to become dynamic participants in our local and global community. A Freshman Academy paves the way to academic success through high school, and a robust

ACADEMIC PROGRAM

The school offers several levels of content area courses including AP, Honors, College Prep and Co-Taught. There is an accelerated math program, called AMP, which culminates with Calculus AB and BC. Students have the option to attend Portland Arts and Technology High School. Students are eligible to receive a **STEM Endorsement** and **Seal of Biliteracy** on their transcripts. Our curriculum offerings reflect the core values of lifelong learning, equity, achievement, diversity and success.

Please view the **24-25 course catalog** on the Portland High School website:
phs.portlandschools.org/academics

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of 41 Credits
distributed as follows:

8 English	2 Fine Arts
6 Math	2 Phys.Ed.
6 History	1 Health
6 Science	10 Electives

In addition, students must
complete a Capstone Project
and a Post Secondary Plan.

GRADING SYSTEM

Grading Equivalent

A = 93-100

B = 85-92

C = 78-84

D = 70-77

F = 69 and below

Weighted Grade Scale

Advanced Placement (AP) = +6

Honors (HR) = +4

SAT TEST SCORES

Class of 2025

Participation: 76.1%

Spring 2024 Mean Scores:

ERW: 493 Math: 463

In the Class of 2025, there are 4
National Merit Semifinalists and
2 Commended Students.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

2023-2024:

A total of 116 students
completed 217 AP exams in 10
subjects.

20% earned a 5

36% earned a 4

24% earned a 3

AP Awards:

19 AP Scholars;

10 AP Scholars with Honors;

12 AP Scholars with Distinction

POINTS OF BULLDOG PRIDE

Advisory serves many purposes and provides a space and time to learn and live the Bulldog Beliefs. Advisors communicate school-wide expectations, provide timely information to students, and engage with their advisees to allow for student voice and feedback. Advisory is a place for community building, knowing and supporting students socially and academically, and student goal setting and reflection.

32 seniors in the class of 2024 earned the Maine Seal of Biliteracy. 28 seniors in the class of 2024 earned the STEM endorsement. Future planning classes, called junior planning (a dual enrolled career exploration class with the University of Maine), and senior planning are offered to all students during WINN/Advisory time. Students take part in over 30 athletic teams and over 40 co-curricular activities.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ACADEMIC PROGRAM:

Honors courses are offered in the following disciplines: English, Math, Social Studies, French, Latin, Spanish, Computer Science, Engineering, Science, Band, and Orchestra.

Advanced Placement courses are offered in the following disciplines: English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, Calculus AB and BC, Biology, Physics, Chemistry, Art: 2D, Art: Drawing, Art: 3D, U.S. History, and Psychology. AP courses are open enrollment, and students have the option to take the exam.

Dual Enrollment (DE) options are available for Statistics and Calculus (University of Southern Maine), as well as Junior Planning (University of Maine, INT193: Career Exploration and Development). All Juniors have the option to take Junior Planning for college credit.

Early College opportunities are available to students who wish to take college courses while in high school through the University of Maine System, Maine Community College System, and Saint Joseph's College of Maine.

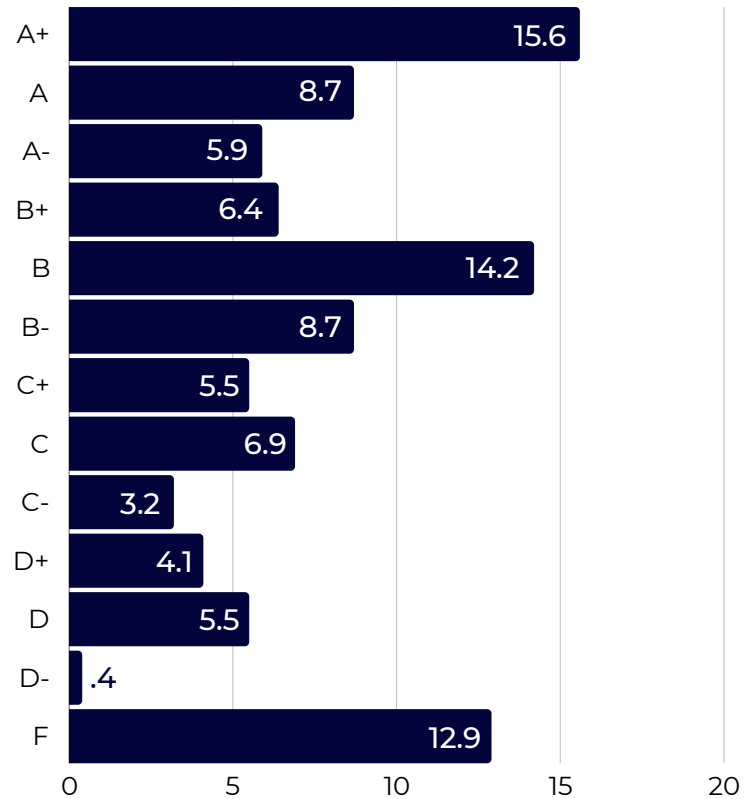
Extended Learning Opportunities, including Internships, are available to all students in grades 10-12. 18% of the Class of 2024 completed at least one internship or class mentoring experience. Nearly 15% of our current Seniors are already enrolled in an internship or class mentoring experience.

Capstone Projects require students to engage in deep and meaningful research that answers an essential question developed by them. As capstones are a graduation requirement, 100% of the Class of 2024 completed a Capstone Project.

Snapshot of the Class 2024

43.20%	Multilingual Learners
49.18%	White
28.68%	Black/African American
13.11%	Hispanic/Latino
3.2%	Asian
0.4%	American Indian/Alaskan Native
5.3%	More than One Race
41.0%	Low income/Free/Reduced Lunch
46%	4-year school
36%	2-year school
12%	Employment
3.7%	Gap Year
.5%	Military
2.5%	Other post-sec training

Percent of Students in Class of 2024
vs. Weighted GPA



Class Of 2024 Matriculations

Arizona State University
Austin Community College
Bates College
Baylor University
Bridgewater State University
Central Maine Community College
Champlain College
Coastal Carolina University
Colby College
Columbia University
Connecticut College
Dartmouth College
Grand Canyon University
Hamilton College
Harvard University
Hobart & William Smith Colleges

Ithaca College
Johns Hopkins University
Lehigh University
Longwood University
Louisiana State University
McGill University
Middlebury College
Montana State University
Northeastern University
Penn State University
Princeton University
Saint Joseph's College of Maine
Sarah Lawrence College
Southern Maine Community College
Suffolk University
Syracuse University

University of Connecticut
University of Denver
University of Maine
University of Maine - Augusta
University of Maine - Farmington
University of Massachusetts - Amherst
University of Michigan
University of Montana - Bozeman
University of New England
University of New Hampshire
University of Pennsylvania
University of Southern Maine
University of Vermont
University of Wisconsin - Madison
Wheaton College (MA)
York County Community College

