

EDINA HIGH SCHOOL

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2025-2026

Four-year public high school, Grades 9-12

Enrollment: 2,775

Size of Senior Class: 690

School year: Two semesters

Memberships: College Board and
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College Admission Counseling

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CURRICULUM

A comprehensive curriculum of 140+ courses emphasizes preparation for college. Besides extensive offerings in English, mathematics, social studies and sciences, study in four languages is offered: six years of French and Spanish, five in Latin, five years in Chinese and three years in American Sign Language (ASL). One notable exception: approximately 40 French students in ninth grade have been part of our Immersion program since kindergarten; as sophomores, they will take Diverse Franco-phone World. As juniors, they'll take AP French Language & Culture. As seniors, they all have an opportunity to take French Culture in the Modern World.

For complete descriptions of all courses:

ehs.edinaschools.org/learning/course-registration

Edina students have numerous opportunities for enriched (accelerated/honors) or AP courses.

AP COURSES (26 total)

- ♦ African American Studies
- ♦ Biology
- ♦ Calculus AB
- ♦ Calculus BC
- ♦ Chemistry
- ♦ Chinese Language and Culture
- ♦ Comparative Government
- ♦ Computer Science
- ♦ Computer Science Principles
- ♦ Economics (Micro/Macro)
- ♦ Environmental Science
- ♦ European History
- ♦ French Language & Culture
- ♦ Human Geography
- ♦ Latin V
- ♦ Physics
- ♦ Psychology
- ♦ Spanish Language and Culture
- ♦ Statistics & Trigonometry
- ♦ Studio Art 2D
- ♦ Studio Art 3D
- ♦ United States Government
- ♦ United States History
- ♦ United States Literature and Language
- ♦ World History
- ♦ World Literature and Language

ENRICHED (ENR) COURSES (9 total)

- ♦ Biology
- ♦ Chemistry
- ♦ Honors Physical Universe
- ♦ Honors Physics
- ♦ Pre-AP English 9
- ♦ Pre-AP English 10
- ♦ Sociology
- ♦ French IV
- ♦ Spanish IV

CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT/COLLEGE IN THE SCHOOLS

College credit-bearing courses taught at Edina High School

- ♦ College Algebra
- ♦ Intro to Literature
- ♦ Latin IV
- ♦ Trigonometry
- ♦ Writing Studio

POST SECONDARY ENROLLMENT OPTION

In addition, 11th and 12th grade students may also complete graduation requirements by taking course work, funded by the state, at Minnesota public and private colleges. One hundred plus students, designated as PSEO on their transcript, are enrolled in this program on a full or part-time basis for the 2025-2026 school year.

COMMUNITY

Edina is both a small city, population 53,564 and a suburban, residential community on the southwest edge of Minneapolis. With a high percentage of college graduates, most parents are employed in professional and managerial positions.

FACULTY

Of the 170 certified faculty members, 90 percent have earned master's, specialist or doctoral degrees - 20% of are National Board Certified.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

The Board of Education requires a minimum of 43 credits in grades 9-12. Requirements for the class of 2026 are:

- ♦ **English**-Four years, including one year of literature
- ♦ **Health**-One semester; **Physical Education**-Two semesters
- ♦ **Math**-Three years, at least through Algebra 2
- ♦ **Science**-Three years, including Biology and at least two additional credits in Physics or Chemistry
- ♦ **Social Studies**-One year of U.S. History, one year of Government, one semester of Economics, and one year of either World History or European History. The state geography requirement is satisfied through a year of U.S. History and either a year of World History or European History.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Besides the formal curriculum, Edina students are engaged in many co-curricular activities at our school. Surveys show approximately 85% of our high school students take part in these activities. One in three takes one or more leadership roles. Edina offers a wide array of opportunities including athletics, debate, music, publications, student government, theater, and clubs ranging from art to foreign language to math. The Community Service Letter is an award earned by students who go above and beyond when it comes to serving others. In 2025, 199 students earned a letter in community service.

DECILE RANK

By Board policy, Edina High School High School will not rank students, but will provide a grade distribution chart by deciles. Decile rank is determined by deciles, that is, groups of ten percent of the senior class. With a senior class of 655 students, or example, the first decile includes approximately the top 65 student GPA's. The second decile contains the next ten percent and so forth.

GRADING SYSTEM

A = 4	C+ = 2.3	D- = .67
A- = 3.67	C = 2	F = 0
B+ = 3.3	C- = 1.67	P = Pass
B = 3	D+ = 1.3	NG = No Grade
B- = 2.67	D = 1	NC = No Credit

*AP Courses are weighted 1.2

RECENT TEST SCORES

ACT - AMERICAN COLLEGE TEST (CLASS OF 2024)

Number of seniors taking the test: 481
Percent of the class: 73%

ACT	Average ACT Score
English	24.4
Math	24.0
Reading	26.0
Science Reasoning	24.8
Composite	25.0

SAT REASONING TEST (CLASS OF 2025)

Number of seniors taking the test: 73
Percent of the class: 11%

SAT Reasoning	Mean
Evidence Based Reading & Writing	664
Math	652
Total Score	1316

ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAM

School Year	Students	Tests	% of Scores 3+
2024-25	1,266	2,521	93.92%
2023-24	1,147	2,391	90.58%
2022-23	1,091	2,237	85.61%
2021-22	988	1,909	83.10%
2020-21	1,141	2,248	76.69%

Number of Scholars: 597 Average Score: 4.06

ADVANCED PLACEMENT SCHOLARS

2025 School Year	# of Students	Average Score
AP Scholars	206	3.52
AP Scholar with Honor	109	3.96
AP Scholars with Distinction	282	4.28
AP International Diploma	1	3.73

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

	2026	2025	2024	2023	2022
Semifinalists	18	8	13	12	10
Commended Students	25	22	16	20	24
Percent of Entire Class	6.23%	4.64%	4.33%	4.60%	5.23%

POST-SECONDARY PLANS CLASS OF 2025

Four-year Colleges/Universities 82%
 ♦ 72% Public, 28% Private
 ♦ 41% Minnesota, 59% Out-of-State
 Community Colleges/Technical Colleges 11%
 Gap Year 2.7%
 Other/Employment 3.3%

Graduates will attend 164 different Colleges and Universities in 2025-2026

HONORS AND AWARDS

- ♦ U.S. Department of Education National School of Excellence.
- ♦ Five Star School (highest rating possible) designated by the Minnesota Department of Education.
- ♦ U.S. News ranked EHS in Top 5 Minnesota public, non-charter schools
- ♦ #1 Best College prep high school in Minnesota (Niche)
- ♦ 2020 EHS in top 500 of America's Best STEM High Schools by Newsweek
- ♦ #1 in Minnesota for sending students to elite colleges (Polaris list)
- ♦ Student publications include *Images*, our literary arts magazine, *Zephyrus*, our student newspaper, and *Whigreean*, our yearbook. Each of these publications has won state and national awards from organizations such as Columbia Scholastic Press Association, Journalism Educators of Minnesota, National Scholastic Press Association and the Minnesota High School Press Association. Students are selected for *Whigreean* and *Zephyrus* through a competitive process.
- ♦ Comprehensive music program features Concert, Symphonic, Varsity, Marching and Pep Bands; Symphonic, Chamber and Philharmonic orchestras; Concert Choir, Varsity, Men's and Bel Canto Choir. Small groups include jazz ensembles, chamber choirs, solo and ensemble contest participation. The Concert Choir, Concert Band and Orchestra have earned superior ratings from the Minnesota State High School League for decades. The Minnesota String and Orchestra Teachers Association (MNSOTA) recognized Edina Public Schools' (EPS) orchestra program with the 2017 Meritorious Orchestra Program Award.
- ♦ 210 state athletic championships - #1 among 500 members of the Minnesota State High School League.
- ♦ Over 50 sports, activities and academic teams
- ♦ Edina's athletic program is ranked 8th in the nation by Sports Illustrated Magazine. The ranking is done once a decade and recognizes all-around achievement over a 10-year period
- ♦ The Green Machine, Edina's robotics team, received the highest award in competition at the national FIRST Robotics Competition in 2019.
- ♦ Award winning Model United Nations and DECA teams
- ♦ Leadership Opportunities: Student Council, Student Senate, Mosaic and Hornet Mentors
- ♦ Unified Options include Physical Education, sports and theater.
- ♦ Over 50 student led clubs. Examples: Breakfast Book Club, Future Health Professionals, Quiz Bowl, Council of Classical Musicians

COUNSELING OFFICE CONTACTS

Assignment of students to counselors is done by team in 9th grade and alphabetically in grades 10-12 as indicated on the top corner of the reverse side. Besides the counselors listed on the front page, two administrative assistants serve the department. Mrs. Nancy Knutson (952) 848-3131 works with Nicole Plafcan, Susan Phetsamone, Mathew Caines and Lisa Burnham. Ms. Allison Du Chateau (952) 848-3146 works with Lisa Burnham, Julie Block, Dylan Hackbarth and Sandy Schmidt. College representative visits may be scheduled in [RepVisits](#) at least two weeks in advance of the desired time.

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CLASSES OF 2021-2025 POST-SECONDARY PLANS

American University (4)	Colorado State University-Fort Collins (27)	Haverford College (1)
Amherst College (2)	Columbia College Chicago (2)	Hawaii Pacific University (1)
Anoka Ramsey Community College (1)	Columbia University in the City of New York City (2)	Hennepin Technical College (13)
Arizona State University-Phoenix (1)	Columbus State University (1)	High Point University (4)
Arizona State University-Tempe (33)	Concordia College at Moorhead (3)	Hillsborough Community College (1)
Auburn University (9)	Concordia University-Montreal (1)	Hillsdale College (1)
Augsburg University (29)	Concordia University-Saint Paul (8)	Hope College (1)
Augustana University, SD (3)	Connecticut College (2)	Howard University (2)
Aveda Arts & Sciences Institute (5)	Cornell University (2)	Indiana University Indianapolis (1)
Babson College (1)	Creighton University (43)	Indiana University-Bloomington (75)
Bard College (1)	Crown College (1)	Inver Hills Community College (1)
Barnard College (1)	CUNY Hunter College (1)	Iowa State University (69)
Bates College (2)	Dakota County Technical College (1)	Iowa Western Community College (1)
Baylor University (7)	Dartmouth College (4)	Ithaca College (2)
Beacon College (1)	Davidson College (1)	Johns Hopkins University (1)
Belmont University (2)	Delaware Valley University (1)	Johnson & Wales University (1)
Bemidji State University (2)	Denison University (4)	Kansas State University (1)
Benedictine College (1)	DePaul University (13)	Kent State University (1)
Bentley University (2)	DePauw University (2)	Kenyon College (1)
Berklee College of Music (1)	Dickinson State University (1)	King's College London (1)
Bethany Lutheran College (2)	Dixie State University (1)	Knox College (1)
Bethel University (13)	Dougherty Family College at University of St. Thomas (6)	Lafayette College (1)
Boston College (8)	Drake University (6)	Lake Forest College (1)
Boston University (10)	Duke University (9)	Lake Region State College (2)
Bowdoin College (4)	Dunwoody College of Technology (14)	Lake Superior College (2)
Bowling Green State University (1)	East Carolina University (1)	Landmark College (1)
Brandeis University (1)	Eastern Illinois University (1)	Lawrence University (5)
Breda University of Applied Sciences (1)	Eastern Michigan University (1)	Lenoir-Rhyne University (1)
Brigham Young University, Idaho (1)	Eckerd College (1)	Lewis & Clark College (5)
Brigham Young University, Utah (1)	Edgewood College (0)	Lewis University (1)
Brown University (2)	Elon University (4)	Liberty University (1)
Butler University (8)	Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (1)	LIM College (1)
California Institute of Technology (2)	Emerson College (1)	Lipscomb University (1)
California Polytechnic State University (2)	Emory University (5)	Lorenzo Walker Technical College (1)
Carleton College (17)	Endicott College (1)	Louisiana State University (3)
Carnegie Mellon University (7)	Erasmus University Rotterdam (1)	Louisiana Tech University (1)
Case Western Reserve University (1)	Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising (2)	Loyola Marymount University (3)
Central Oregon Community College (1)	Ferris State University (1)	Loyola University Chicago (28)
Century College (4)	Flagler College (1)	Loyola University New Orleans (1)
Chapman University (6)	Florida Gulf Coast University (2)	Luther College (8)
Chicago State University (1)	Florida State University (2)	Lynn University (1)
City University of New York Queens College (1)	Furman University (2)	Macalester College (15)
Claremont McKenna College (4)	George Washington University (9)	Madison Area Technical College (1)
Clark University (2)	Georgetown University (5)	Marist College (2)
Clemson University (1)	Georgia Institute of Technology (5)	Marquette University (13)
Coastal Carolina University (1)	Georgia State University (1)	Marshall University (1)
Colby College (1)	Gonzaga University (5)	Massachusetts Institute of Technology (2)
Colgate University (2)	Grand Canyon University (20)	McGill University (3)
College of Charleston (3)	Grinnell College (4)	Metropolitan State University (10)
College of Saint Benedict (10)	Gustavus Adolphus College (30)	Miami University-Oxford (49)
College of Saint Scholastica (3)	Hamilton College (2)	Michigan State University (11)
College of the Desert (0)	Hamline University (18)	Michigan State University-Eli Broad College (1)
College of the Holy Cross (2)	Harry S. Truman College (1)	Michigan Technological University (0)
College of William & Mary (2)	Harvard University (6)	Middlebury College (3)
College of Wooster (1)	Harvey Mudd College (3)	Milwaukee School of Engineering (1)
Colorado College (2)		Minneapolis College (17)
Colorado Mountain College (1)		Minneapolis College of Art and Design (4)
Colorado School of Mines (2)		

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POST-SECONDARY PLANS (CONTINUED)

Minneapolis Electrical JATC
Apprenticeship Program (1)
Minnesota School of Barbering (1)
Minnesota State Community & Technical
College-Fergus Falls (2)
Minnesota State University Moorhead (2)
Minnesota State University-Mankato (36)
Monmouth University (1)
Montana State University, Bozeman (30)
Montclair State University (1)
Muskingum University (1)
New York University (3)
Normandale Community College (207)
North Central University (1)
North Dakota State University (13)
North Hennepin Community College (2)
North Iowa Area Community College (5)
Northeastern University (9)
Northern Arizona University (2)
Northern Michigan University (2)
Northwest Technical College (1)
Northwestern University (14)
Norwich University (1)
Nova Southeastern University (1)
Oberlin College (3)
Oberlin Conservatory of Music (2)
Occidental College (3)
Ohio State University-Main Campus (4)
Oregon State University (3)
Pace University (2)
Pennsylvania State University-Main
Campus (8)
Pepperdine University (3)
Pitzer College (2)
Point Loma Nazarene University (2)
Pomona College (1)
Pratt Munson College of Art & Design (1)
Princeton University (4)
Providence College (2)
Purdue University-Main Campus (24)
Queen Margaret University Edinburgh (1)
Rasmussen University-Minnesota (1)
Reed College (1)
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (3)
Rhode Island School of Design (1)
Rice University (2)
Ringling College of Art and Design (1)
Rochester Institute of Technology (1)
Roger Williams University (1)
Rollins College (1)
Roosevelt University (1)
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology (4)
Rutgers University-New Brunswick (3)
Saint Catherine University (11)
Saint Cloud State University (4)
Saint John's University (23)
Saint Joseph's University (1)
Saint Louis University (1)
Saint Mary's University of Minnesota (1)
Saint Norbert College (2)
Saint Olaf College (47)
Saint Paul College (4)
Saint Paul Community College (2)
San Diego State University (8)
Santa Barbara City College (1)
Santa Clara University (6)
Savannah College of Art & Design (4)
School of the Art Institute of Chicago (1)
Scottsdale Community College (1)
Scripps College (2)
Seattle University (1)
Simon Fraser University (1)
Smith College (3)
South Dakota State University (6)
Southern Methodist University (5)
Southeastern University (1)
Southern University and A&M College (1)
Stanford University (6)
Stony Brook University (1)
Summit Academy (3)
SUNY College at Potsdam (1)
Swarthmore College (1)
Syracuse University (4)
Technische Universiteit Delft,
Netherlands (1)
Temple University (1)
Temple University Japan (1)
Tennessee State University (1)
Texas Christian University (36)
Texas College (1)
Texas Tech University (1)
The Citadel (1)
Trine University (1)
Trinity University (2)
Tufts University (2)
Tulane University of Louisiana (3)
United States Air Force Academy (2)
United States Military Academy (3)
United States Naval Academy (2)
University College Dublin (1)
University College London (2)
University of Alabama (10)
University of Arizona (28)
University of Arizona-Ellor College (1)
University of British Columbia (1)
University of Buffalo (1)
University of California
Berkeley (4)
Davis (1)
Irvine (2)
Los Angeles (4)
Riverside (1)
San Diego (4)
Santa Barbara (4)
Santa Cruz (1)
University of Central Florida (1)
University of Chicago (3)
University of Cincinnati-Main Campus (4)
University of Colorado Boulder (25)
University of Connecticut (3)
University of Dallas (1)
University of Dayton (4)
University of Delaware (1)
University of Denver (37)
University of Edinburgh (1)
University of Florida (2)
University of Galway (2)
University of Georgia (3)
University of Greenwich (1)
University of Hawaii at Manoa (2)
University of Houston (1)
University of Illinois at Urbana-
Champaign (6)
University of Illinois Chicago (2)
University of Iowa (57)
University of Jamestown (2)
University of Kansas (42)
University of Kentucky (4)
University of Louisville (1)
University of Maine (1)
University of Manitoba (1)
University of Mary (1)
University of Maryland, College Park (2)
University of Massachusetts, Boston (1)
University of Miami (5)
University of Michigan-Ann Arbor (11)
University of Minnesota
Crookston (2)
Duluth (61)
Rochester (4)
Twin Cities (406)
University of Mississippi (12)
University of Missouri-Columbia (15)
University of Missouri-Kansas City (1)
University of Montana (5)
University of Nebraska at Kearney (1)
University of Nebraska at Lincoln (15)
University of Nevada-Las Vegas (1)
University of Nevada-Reno (1)
University of New Hampshire at
Durham (2)
University of North Carolina at
Chapel Hill (5)
University of North Carolina at
Charlotte (1)
University of North Dakota (21)
University of North Texas (1)
University of Notre Dame (7)
University of Oklahoma-Norman
Campus (2)
University of Oregon (23)
University of Ottawa (1)
University of Pennsylvania (4)
University of Pittsburgh-Pittsburgh
Campus (7)
University of Puget Sound (2)
University of Redlands (1)
University of Richmond (5)
University of Rochester (2)
University of Saint Thomas (106)

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POST-SECONDARY PLANS (CONTINUED)

University of San Diego (10)	University of Wisconsin (continued)	Wayne State College (2)
University of San Francisco (2)	Platteville (4)	Webb Institute (1)
University of South Carolina-Columbia (4)	River Falls (6)	Wellesley College (1)
University of South Florida-Main Campus (3)	Stevens Point (1)	Wentworth Institute of Technology (1)
University of Southern California (7)	Stout (17)	Wesleyan University (2)
University of St. Andrews (1)	Whitewater (1)	Western Governors University (1)
University of Tampa (4)	Ursinus College (1)	Wheaton College, Illinois (3)
University of Tennessee-Knoxville (9)	Utah State University (1)	Whitman College (4)
University of Toronto (3)	Utah Valley University (1)	Whittier College (1)
University of Utah (9)	Valparaiso University (1)	Willamette University (3)
University of Vermont (11)	Vanderbilt University (3)	William & Mary (3)
University of Virginia-Main Campus (4)	Vassar College (1)	William Woods University (1)
University of Washington-Seattle (12)	Villanova University (4)	Williams College (2)
University of Winnipeg (1)	Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (1)	Winona State University (7)
University of Wisconsin	Virginia Tech (2)	Witchita State University (1)
Eau Claire (25)	Wake Forest University (9)	Wofford College (1)
Green Bay (3)	Wartburg College (1)	Xavier University (2)
La Crosse (9)	Washington & Lee University (1)	Yale University (2)
Madison (154)	Washington State University (2)	
Milwaukee (4)	Washington University in St. Louis (11)	As of July 1 of graduation year

