Gettysburg Area High School

Be Here, Be Involved, Be Committed, Be Kind - The Warrior Way

School Profile 2026-2027

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School

Established in 1883, Gettysburg Area High School is a public institution serving over 1,000 students in grades 9 through 12. The school employs more than 90 certified faculty members, 60 percent of whom hold advanced degrees. The administrative staff includes a principal, two assistant principals, and an athletic director. The student support staff includes three school counselors, a school psychologist, a social worker, two family navigators, a speech therapist, an English as a Second Language (ESL) specialist, and a learning support team.

GAHS Quick Facts

Types of School: Public School
Grades: 9-12
Enrollment:1,004 Students
Teaching Faculty: 83 Members
Schedule: Block schedule, four periods per semester

Curriculum and Graduation Requirements

Students have over 100 required and elective courses to choose from. GAHS follows a semester-based block scheduling system. Required courses include English, Social Studies, Math, Science, PE, Health, Personal Finance, Safety Education, and Freshman Advisory. Additional programs include Agriculture, Art, Business, Career and Technology Education, World Languages, Family and Consumer Sciences, Music, JROTC, and Career Internships. A comprehensive interscholastic athletic program is available for both male and female students, encompassing thirteen sports.

The successful completion of **28 credits** is required for graduation. Required credits must be earned in the following curricular areas:

English - 4 credits
Mathematics - 3 credits
Science - 3 credits
Social Studies - 3 credits
Additional Core - 1 credit
Fine/Practical Arts/Humanities/CTE - 2 credits
Physical Education - 2 credits
Freshman Advisory/Career Exploration - 0.5 credit
Safety Education - 0.5 credit
Health - 0.5 credit
Personal Finance - 0.5 credit
Selected Electives - 8 credits

- Juniors have access to Independent Study, Dual Enrollment, and Career Internships.
- Seniors have access to Independent Study, Dual Enrollment, Career Internships, Work Transition, and Early Graduation, which allows students to graduate mid year.

Enrollment by Race/Ethnicity	Percentage
American Indian/Alaska Native	**0.4%**
Asian	**1.9%**
Black	**4.9%**
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	**0.0%**
Hispanic	**17.6%**
White	**71.3%**
Two or More Races	**4.0%**

Enrollment by Grade

2026-2027 School Year

9th Grade 229
10th Grade 251
11th Grade 269
12th Grade 255

Grading

Students earn numeric grades

Course Weighting

Accelerated Course Weight 1.03
AP Course Weight 1.1
CHS Course Weight 1.1

GPA

Average Weighted GPA of the Graduating Class of 2026: 87.9%

Class Rank

School District Policy states that class rank is based on the final cumulative numeric grades for all GAHS work. Students are ranked numerically. GAHS names a valedictorian.

College in the High School Courses Offered in 2025-2026

Carlow University Accounting I
Carlow University Accounting II
HACC Anatomy and Physiology
HACC English 101
HACC English 102
HACC Healthful Living
HACC Introduction to Business
HACC Into to Software for Business
Seton Hill University Biology
Seton Hill University Psychology
Seton Hill University The Environment: Issues & Choices

College in the High School Enrollment 2025-2026

415 CHS Enrollments

Dual Enrollment

94 Dual Enrollments

Advanced Placement Courses Offered

AP 2-D Art and Design
AP 3-D Art and Design
AP Biology
AP Calculus AB
AP Calculus BC
AP Chemistry
AP Drawing
AP English Language & Composition
AP English Literature & Composition
AP Human Geography
AP Physics
AP Psychology
AP Seminar
AP Spanish Language
AP Statistics
AP United States Government and Politics
AP United States History
AP World History: Modern

2025-2026 Advanced Placement Exams

Total Exams: 374

Average Score: 3.6

Percent of Exams with Scores of 3 or Higher: 82%

Class of 2026 Post Secondary Decisions

Four Year Colleges	47%
Two year/Trade/Technical	19%
Military	04%
Employment or Undecided	30%

Where Are Our 2026 Graduates?

Albright College
Appalachian State University
Arcadia university
Arizona State University
Bucknell University
Carleton College
Central Penn College
Clemson University
Colgate University
Columbia University
Cornell University
DePauw University
Dickinson College
Drexel University
East Stroudsburg University
Eastern University
Elizabethtown College
Empire Beauty School
Franklin & Marshall College
Georgetown University
Gettysburg College
Harrisburg Area Community College
Hagerstown Community College
Hartwick College
Haverford College
Indiana University of Pennsylvania
Juniata College
Lafayette College
LaRoche University
Lock Haven University
Maryland Institute College of Art
McDaniel College
Messiah University
Millersville University
Morgan State University
Mount St. Mary's University
Muhlenberg College
Ohio School of Phlebotomy
Penn Foster Online
Penn State University
Pennsylvania College of Art & Design
Pennsylvania School of Technology
Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Robert Morris University
Rochester Institute of Technology
Rowan University
Shenandoah University
Shepherd University
Shippensburg University
Slipper Rock University
Southern New Hampshire University
Stevenson University
Suffolk University
Susquehanna University
Temple University
Towson University
United States Airforce Academy
Universal Technical Institute
University at Buffalo
University of Northwestern Ohio
University of Pittsburgh
University of Vermont
Ursinus
Vassar College
Villanova College
West Chester University
West Virginia University
Wilson College
York College of Pennsylvania
YTI Career Institute