Park High School

Grades 9-12

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School Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 3:06 p.m.

Dr. Brian Boothe, Principal
Julie Nielsen, Superintendent

College Entrance Examination Board
(CEEB) Code: 242-340

About Park High School

Park High School (PHS) is a comprehensive four-year public high school located in Cottage Grove, Minnesota. High school classes are scheduled in a six-period day with three trimesters (12 weeks each) in a grading period.

PHS emphasizes culturally competent communication, collaboration, and critical thinking, preparing students for post-secondary success and global citizenship. Daily ACE (Academics, Connections, Excellence) time provides tailored academic support and enrichment. PHS's Community Inclusion Center offers a safe, welcoming space for students, staffed by cultural liaisons and Promise Fellows who foster belonging and advocate for students and families.

Graduation Requirements

66 credits required for graduation.

(1 credit per class per trimester)

English: 12 credits
Mathematics: 9 credits
Science: 9 credits
Social Studies: 10 credits
Personal Finance: 1 credit*
General Phy Ed: 1 credit
Health: 1 credit
Fine Arts: 2 credits
Electives: 21 credits

**Required for the Class of 2028 and beyond*

School and Community

Year opened: 1965
Enrollment: 1,941 students
Number of staff members: 193
Senior class size: 475 students
Graduation rate (2026): 98%
ACT average: 19.4
Total MSHSL sports: 33
Total clubs: 50+

Demographics

59%	-	White
12%	-	Hispanic
10%	-	Black/African American
9%	-	Asian
9%	-	Two or more races
<1%	-	American Indian/Alaskan Native
<1%	-	Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander

Approximately 29% of the PHS student population are eligible for educational benefits.
(formerly refered to as free/reduced meals)

PHS Counseling Staff

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Grading and Ranking Procedures



GPA is based on marks earned in grades 9–12. All courses for which the student receives a grade A–F are included in the GPA. Pass grades are not included in the GPA, but do count for credit (a maximum of two credits per year may be taken with the pass/no credit option).

A = 4.0	C+ = 2.333	D– = 0.667
A– = 3.667	C = 2.0	F = 0.00
B+ = 3.333	C– = 1.667	P = Pass
B = 3.0	D+ = 1.333	N = No Credit
B– = 2.667	D = 1.0	

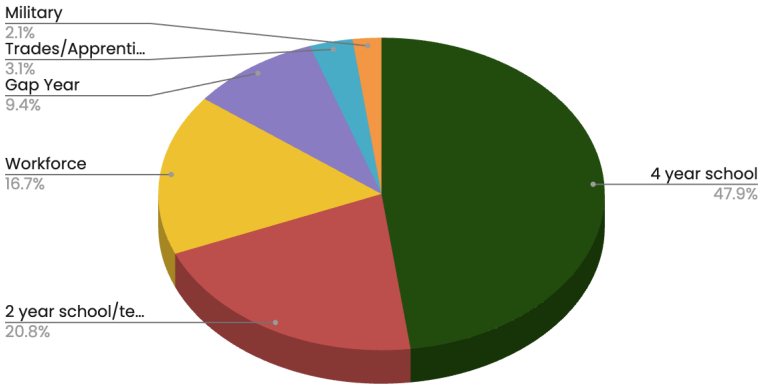
PHS ACT Test Results

Year	English	Math	Reading	Science	Composite
25-26	17.7	18.7	19.9	19.4	18.8

PHS Advanced Placement Test Results

- During the 2025-26 school year, 311 AP exams were taken.
- 71% of those tested earned a score of 3 or higher.

PHS Graduate Outcomes - Class of 2026



Spotlights on PHS

- PHS International Baccalaureate (IB) diploma candidates score higher on exams than the state and national average, giving them a qualification that is welcomed by leading universities around the world.
- PHS facilities include a multicultural inclusion center and an inventor space.
- PHS is an AVID National Demonstration School

Curriculum Features

Park High School offers a comprehensive curriculum of over 170 courses, including a full range of college preparatory, general and career technical classes designed to meet the needs of all students.

International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Program:

PHS is an International Baccalaureate (IB) World School, offering the internationally-recognized IB diploma program. This program aims to develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect.

Students may elect to take a number of IB courses or pursue the full IB diploma. IB courses include English, History, Spanish, German, Math including two-year Calculus, Chemistry, Biology, Physics, Sports Exercise/Health Sciences, Psychology, Music and Visual Arts.

Advanced Placement (AP) Courses:

Human Geography, World History, Statistics, Calculus, Pre-Calculus

College in Schools Courses:

American Democracy in a Changing World (Political Science), Chemisitry 1 and 2

Honors Courses:

English 9, English 10 and Earth and Space Science

Other Special Features:

Post Secondary Enrollment Options (PSEO) Northeast Metro 916 Technical College, AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination)