

Hurricane High School

2017-2018 School Profile

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Community

Hurricane lies halfway between the cities of Huntington and Charleston. Families and businesses locate here because of the metropolitan proximity and clean suburban living. Our area has seen a 23% population growth since the year 2000.

Our School

As the largest of four high schools in Putnam County, Hurricane High School is a public institution for grades 9 through 12 with 1,270 students and 75 classroom teachers. There are four administrators and four guidance counselors. 38% of students participate in the free or reduced lunch program.

General Graduation Standards

The Board of Education requires that all high school students:

- Earn 28 total credits or more
- Graduate with a 2.0 grade point average
- Pass the Algebra exit exam
- Maintain a student portfolio
- Complete a Program of Study

Graduation Requirements

The Board of Education requires a minimum of 28 credits in grades 9-12. In 10th grade, students select a Program of Study (similar to a college major) that requires them to earn 4 credits specific to a specific career pathway. In addition, students must earn:

- Language Arts: 4 credits
- Mathematics: 4 credits
- Social Studies: 4 credits
- Science: 4 or 3 credits, pathway dependent
- Health: 1 credit
- Physical Education: 1 credit
- Fine Arts: 1 credit
- World Language: 2 or 0 credits, pathway dependent

Grading System

Advanced Placement and dual credit courses are weighted.

Grade	percentage	quality pts	weighted
A	93-100	4	5
B	85-92	3	4
C	75-84	2	3
D	65-74	1	2
F	0-64	0	0

Graduating Class of 2017

78% of those graduating (260 students) intend to pursue a four-year degree program. 12% intend to pursue a two-year program at a community or technical college.

Curriculum

Our curriculum of over 100 courses emphasizes preparation for post-secondary education. Hurricane High School runs a block schedule with four 90 minute courses a day during each of two semesters. Some courses are offered before or after school in order to accommodate our students' varied academic needs. We are proud to administer several Advanced Placement® and dual credit classes with Marshall University and West Virginia State University. Some students attend the Putnam Career and Technical Center to participate in vocational programs while others take courses through the West Virginia Virtual School program and Marshall University.

English

Language Arts 9, 10, 11, 12
Language Arts Honors 9, 10, 11
Language Arts 12 / ENG 101*
AP English Language and Composition*
AP English Literature and Composition*
Media I, II, III
Journalism
Creative Writing
Film Studies

Mathematics

Math I / Algebra I
Math I & Math I Lab / Alg I & Alg Support
Math II / Math II Honors
Geometry / Geometry Honors
Advanced Math Modeling
Math III TR
Math III LA / Algebra II
Math III STEM / Algebra II Honors
Math IV / Math IV Honors
Trigonometry
College Transition Math
AP Statistics*
Precalculus
Precalculus / MTH 127*
Calculus
AP Calculus AB*
AP Calculus BC*

Social Studies

World History/World Honors
US History to 1900/US Honors
Contemporary Studies
Civics
Psychology
Sociology

AP US History*
AP Government, US*
AP Human Geography*
AP Psychology*
Political Science / POSC 100*

Science

Physical Science / Phys Sci Honors
Biology / Biology Honors
Biology II
Chemistry I / Chemistry I Honors
Chemistry II
Earth Science
Environmental Science
Anatomy
Anatomy / BSC 105*
Biology II / BSC 120*
Zoology
Forensic Science
AP Biology*
AP Environmental Science*
AP Chemistry* & Chemistry lab *
AP Physics C*

Fine Arts

Art I, II, III, IV
Painting I, II
Studio Art I, II, III, IV
AP Studio Art*
Art Appreciation
Music Appreciation
Music Appreciation / MUS 107*
Show Choir / Vocal Ensemble
Concert Band / Instrumental Ensemble
Competition Band / Instrumental Ensemble
Piano
Guitar
Music Theory
Chorus

Career Education

Introduction to the Majors 9

World Language

Spanish I, II, III, IV
Spanish III / SPAN 101*
Spanish IV / SPAN 102*
French I, II, III, IV
French III / FREN 101*

Business/Technical

Business and Marketing Essentials
Personal Finance
Computer Applications I, II
Computer Applications I / MIS 200*
Marketing I, II
Sports Marketing
Hospitality & Tourism
Management & Entrepreneurship
Accounting I, II
Game Design I, II
Digital Imaging
Advanced Communications
Web Page Publishing

Health/PE

Physical Education 9, 10
Lifetime Fitness
Athletic Training
Safety & First Aid
Sports Physiology
Health
Driver's Education

Family & Consumer Science

Parenting
Advertising and Fashion
Foods
Human Development
*weighted

Recent Test Scores

2017 ACT® College Readiness Benchmark*

	English			Math			Reading			Science		
	HHS	State	Nat'l	HHS	State	Nat'l	HHS	State	Nat'l	HHS	State	Nat'l
% at or above N=218	78%	64%	61%	49%	30%	41%	56%	47%	47%	42%	32%	37%

* A benchmark score is the minimum score needed on an ACT subject-area test to indicate a 50% chance of obtaining a B or higher or about a 75% chance of obtaining a C or higher in the corresponding credit-bearing college course.

2017 SAT®

	Mean Scores		
	HHS	State	Nat'l
Mean scores N= 25	1137	1083	1070

2017 AP Equity and Excellence*

456 exams, 284 students	2017
Graduating Class Summary	17.1%
12th grade	8.7%
11th grade	18.5%
10th grade	5.4%

* Equity and Excellence indicates the percentages of each class scoring a 3 or better on at least one AP exam and the percentage of students in the graduating class that scored a 3 or higher on at least one exam during high school.

Awards and Honors

West Virginia 21st Century School of Excellence
 West Virginia Exemplary School
 A West Virginia Success School
 7 National Board Certified Teachers in 5 disciplines
 Smarter Balanced Assessment, 2nd statewide in ELA and Math

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