

Granby High School

2024-25 School Profile



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Grading Scale

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| A | 93-100 |
| A- | 90-92 |
| B+ | 87-89 |
| B | 83-86 |
| B- | 80-82 |
| C+ | 77-79 |
| C | 73-76 |
| C- | 70-72 |
| D+ | 67-69 |
| D | 64-66 |
| E | Below 64 |

School/Community Description

Granby High School is a comprehensive urban high school located in the Wards Corner section of the city with a student body of approximately 2000 students in grades 9 - 12. The majority of the students live in neighborhoods geographically remote from the school and represent people from differing socio-economic, educational, and cultural backgrounds. Seventy-four percent of the students are bused to school daily. Granby High School has a tradition of providing an environment which meets the needs and interests of students from a diverse population. Granby High School is accredited by both the Virginia State Department of Education and AdvancedED.

Achievement Data

The survey of Future Plans indicated that 43% of Granby's graduates planned to attend a 4-year college and 22% expected to enter a 2-year college immediately after high school. Scholarships totaling approximately \$15.7 million were offered to 24% of the 2024 graduating class.

In 2023-24, 142 students took the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT). Mean scores for SAT and ACT are listed below:

| | Granby High |
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| SAT Code Number: 471-585 | |
| EBRW | 539 |
| Math | 509 |

Program Organization

The senior high school instructional program is organized on a year-long grading system. Credit is awarded at the end of the school year upon successful completion of course objectives. Some courses serve as prerequisites for subsequent courses, while others stand alone. Credit received for successful completion of Algebra, Geometry, Earth Science, Biology, or foreign language in middle school is counted toward credits required for high school graduation.

Profile Grading Statement:

Norfolk Public Schools closed by order of the Governor of Virginia on March, 13, 2020, due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. Students remained virtual through March of the 2020-2021 school year. In March of 2021 students were given the option to return to in-person learning beginning April 26th of 2021 or to continue learning virtually for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year.

Class Rank and Weighted Courses

Class rank is determined by grades earned in all credit bearing courses through senior year. A grade point average of 3.0 is the minimum GPA necessary for a student to graduate with honors. Grades earned in Advanced Placement (AP) and all credit bearing junior and senior level IB courses have been awarded a weighted factor of .06 per full year course because of their level of difficulty. All Honors (Hon) and NPS Pre-IB courses have been awarded a weighted factor of .025 per full year course. Weighted courses are identified by a “W” to the left of the course on the Certified Credit Sheet.

Promotion Criteria

* To be promoted to the tenth grade, a student must have earned five credits.

*To be promoted to the Eleventh grade, a student must have earned ten credits: 2.00 credits in English 1.00 credit in Mathematics 7.00 credits in other courses.

*To be classified as a twelfth-grade student, a student must be able to graduate the following June and must have earned 15 credits: 3.00 credits in English 2.0 credits in Mathematics

Weighted Credit Courses

All Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB) Foreign Language courses and all senior IB courses receive weighted credit. AP courses and IB courses offered at Granby High School are:

AP English Literature - AP English Language - IB English Lang & Lit I - IB English IV - IB Latin IV - IB French IV - IB French V - IB AP Spanish, Spanish IV - IB Spanish V - AP Spanish - IB Math Studies - IB Math Analysis & Approaches SL Y1 & Y2- AP Calculus AB - AP Calculus BC - AP Computer Science Principles - AP Computer Science - AP Statistics - Pre-IB/AP Government - AP European History - IB History I HL 1- IB History II HL - AP U.S. History - AP Government - AP Human Geography - AP Biology - IB/AP Biology - AP Physics - IB/AP Physics II - AP Environmental Science - AP Music Theory - AP Art/2-D, AP Draw - IB Art Design - AP Psychology - IB World Religions - IB Film - IB Personal & Professional Skills - IB Business Management.

Granby High School is a member of the International Baccalaureate Organization (IBO). The IB Diploma Program (IBDP) is a two-year academically rigorous curriculum intended for college bound juniors and seniors who desire in-depth scholastic preparation. Successful completion of the program earns the student the prestigious International Baccalaureate Diploma. To prepare students for the IBDP, Granby offers preparatory courses for the 9th and 10th grades. Admittance into NPS Pre-IB Program is by application.

Several courses in Norfolk Public Schools outside of AP courses receive weighted credit because the courses demand intensive work of academically talented students. These courses are listed below:

| Course Name | Course Abbreviation |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| NPS Pre-IB English I | NPS Pre IB Eng 1 |
| NPS Pre-IB English II | NPS Pre IB Eng 2 |
| NPS Pre-IB French II | NPS Pre IBFren2 |
| NPS Pre-IB French III | NPS Pre IBFren3 |
| NPS Pre-IB Spanish II | NPS Pre IB Span2 |
| NPS Pre-IB Spanish III | NPS Pre IB Span3 |
| NPS Pre-IB Biology | NPS Pre IB Bio |
| NPS Pre-IB Chemistry | NPS Pre IB Chem |
| NPS Pre-IB Geometry | NPS Pre IB Geom |
| NPS Pre-IB Algebra II | NPS PreIB Alg II |
| Honors English 9 | Hon Eng 9 |
| Honors English 10 | Hon Eng 10 |
| Honors Geometry | Hon Geom |
| Honors Algebra II | Hon Alg II |
| Honors Math Analysis | Analysis |
| Honors World Studies I | Hon Wld I |
| Honors World II | Hon Wld II |
| Honors Chemistry | Hon Chem |
| Governor's School for the Arts: | |
| Dance | GOV Dance |
| Visual Arts | GOV Visual Art |
| Theatre | GOV Theatre |
| Music | GOV Music |
| Performing Arts | GOV Performing Art |
| Norstar Student Research: | |
| Institute: Space Shuttle | AS NASA |
| Robotics Division | AS In Robot |

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