

# Granby High School

2025-26 School Profile



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## Grading Scale

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 64% of Granby's graduates planned to attend a 4-year college and 12% expected to enter a 2-year college immediately after high school. Scholarships totaling approximately \$14.2 million were offered to 17% of the 2025 graduating class.

In 2024-25, 145 students took the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT). Mean scores for SAT are listed below:

	Granby High
SAT Code Number: 471-585	
EBRW	546
Math	530

## Program Organization

Beginning this school year, the senior high instructional program is organized under a **4x4 hybrid grading system**.

- **Previous system:** Credit was awarded only at the end of the school year upon successful completion of course objectives.
- **Current system:**
  - Credit is awarded **at the end of each semester** for all 4x4 courses.
  - Credit is awarded **at the end of the school year** for all hybrid yearlong courses.

Some courses function as prerequisites for subsequent coursework, while others may stand alone.

Additionally, credit earned in **Algebra, Geometry, Earth Science, Biology, or World Language** during middle school will continue to count toward the credits required for high school graduation.

## 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 – AP World 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 – IB Digital Society.

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. Granby also offers the IB Career-related (CP) Programme which is an innovative framework for students aged 16-19 that combines academic IB Diploma Programme courses with practical career-related studies, preparing them for further education, employment, or apprenticeships.

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 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:	
Robotics Division	AS In Robot
	OT1202

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