



# PARK RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE 2020-2021

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## Community

The Borough of Park Ridge is a Northern Bergen County suburb of 2.6 square miles in New Jersey. It is located about 25 miles from midtown Manhattan and is comprised of mainly single-family homes. Park Ridge has a population of about 8,700 and is within commuting range of New York City. Park Ridge established itself as a borough in 1894.

## School

Park Ridge High School was the first high school in the Pascack Valley in 1908. It has no sending districts and is approved by the New Jersey State Department of Education. The population of grades 7 through 12 for 2020-21 is 550. The school district has origins dating back to 1808. Park Ridge High School offers a comprehensive academic program and has established connections with local New Jersey universities and colleges to enhance the high school experience.

## Post-Secondary Plans of Recent Graduates

Total Pursuing Further Education	93%
Four Year College	89%
Two Year College	4%
Military	1%
Other	6%
Total Class Size (Class of 2020)	85

## Academic Awards

### AP Scholar Awards

12	Scholar with Distinction
6	Scholar with Honor
14	Scholar

## Graduation Requirements

Students are required to complete 140 credits for graduation. Technological literacy is consistent with the Core Curriculum Content Standards and is integrated throughout the curriculum. The mandated minimum requirements for graduation include:

	<u>Years</u>	<u>Credits</u>
Language Arts Literacy	4	20
World History/Cultures	1	5
U.S. History	2	10
Physical Education/Health	4	16
Science	3	15
Mathematics	3	15
World Language	2	10
Fine and Performing Arts	1	5
Practical Arts	1	5
Financial Literacy	1/2	2.5

Assessment Graduation Requirement:  
The State of New Jersey has determined threshold scores on a variety of assessments. Students must obtain minimum scores in both English Language Arts and Mathematics in order to meet the state requirement. For a full listing of the standardized tests and threshold scores, please visit:  
<http://www.state.nj.us/education/assessment/docs/GradReq.pdf>

## COVID-19 UPDATE

Park Ridge HS moved to all-remote instruction on March 16, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Remote instruction continued for the remainder of the school year. The school year ended on June 25, as originally planned. PRHS uses Schoology to provide lesson materials and conferences. During this time, students were expected to log on to their classes every day, from 8:00 am to 12:14 pm. The majority of teaching was asynchronous. Students continued to complete assignments and assessments. Half of the 3<sup>rd</sup> marking period and the entire 4<sup>th</sup> marking periods were conducted online. Grades according to our usual grade scale (55 to 100) were assigned for both marking periods. Final exams were not given in any classes.

Currently, students are attending PRHS on a hybrid schedule. Students attend in-person classes 2 days per week, and complete classes remotely 3 days per week. Classes run from 8:15 am to 12:43 pm every day. Grades according to our usual grade scale (55 to 100) will be assigned for all 4 marking periods.

## Class Rank & Grading Scale

Park Ridge High School does not numerically rank its student population. A decile is reported upon student request.

Academic Marks Value	Numerical	
Excellent	92 - 100	Class periods are 44 minutes long, meet 5 times per week, and run 36 weeks per year. All college prep, honors, and AP level science courses meet 6 periods per week (5 classes, 1 laboratory).
Good	83 - 91	
Average	74 - 82	
Poor but Passing	65 - 73	
Failure	55 - 64	<p><b>Course Grade Calculation:</b>            Classes with midterm and final exams: each marking period is 20% of the course grade; midterm and final exams are 10% of the course grade.            All core academic classes in English, Mathematics, Social Studies and Science have midterm and final exams</p>
Loss of Credit/Attendance	LC	<p>All other classes (including World Language classes):            Year-long classes: Each marking period accounts for 25% of the course grade.            Semester classes: Each marking period accounts for 50% of the course grade.</p>
Withdrawal Attendance	WA	
Withdrawn Passing	WP	
Withdrawn Failing	WF	
Pass	P	
Fail	F	

## Grade Point Average (GPA) Computation

Student GPAs are inclusive of all courses unless noted as a pass/fail course. GPA is calculated at the end of grades 9-12, and mid-year for grade 12. The GPA is based on a three-level weighting system with level 3 adding 10 points to the course grade, level 2 adding 5 points to the course grade, and level 1 adding no additional points. These extra points do not appear on the report card or the transcript; they are used only in computing GPAs. Level 2 and 3 courses are listed below. All other courses are Level 1.

Level 3 Courses		Level 2 Courses	
AP English Lang & Comp	AP World History	English 9 Honors	Biology Honors
AP English Literature	AP U.S. History	American Lit Honors	Chemistry Honors
AP French Language	AP Psychology	French (IV - VI)	Physics Honors
AP Spanish Language	AP Statistics	Spanish (IV- VI)	Hum Anat. & Phy. Hon.
AP German Language	AP Music Theory	Spanish Heritage (IV-VI)	U.S. History I Honors
AP Calculus AB	AP Comp Sci Principles	German (IV- VI)	
AP Calculus BC	BCC Courses	Calculus Honors	
AP Chemistry		Pre-Calculus Honors	
AP Biology		Geometry Honors	
AP European History		Algebra II Honors	

## Standardized Test Scores

SAT					
PRHS Mean Scores			State Mean Scores		
Year	CR/EBRW	MATH	Year	CR/EBRW	MATH
2017	573	577	2017	539	537
2018	582	594	2018	547	547
2019	580	607	2019	544	545
2020	589	603	2020	TBD	TBD

ACT											
Year	# test	English		Mathematics		Reading		Science		Composite	
		School	State	School	State	School	State	School	State	School	State
2016	19	23.7	22.7	26.1	23.3	24.8	23.5	22.8	22.5	24.6	23.1
2017	61	23.2	23.8	24.3	23.8	23.4	24.1	22.9	23.2	23.7	23.9
2018	24	24.6	23.8	25.0	23.6	24.2	24.0	24.0	23.0	24.6	23.7
2019	34	22.7	24.3	24	24	23.5	24.6	22.6	23.6	23.3	24.2

Advanced Placement Test Scores 2020					
Subject	5	4	3	2	1
Biology	2	7	4	2	--
Calculus AB	3	3	2	--	--
Calculus BC	7	1	--	--	--
Computer Science Principles	6	4	4	--	--
English Lang and Comp	6	8	4	1	1
English Lit and Comp	4	6	3	3	--
German Language and Culture	--	1	--	--	--
French Language and Culture	2	5	2	--	--
Spanish Language and Culture	1	3	4	--	--
Statistics	3	4	6	2	--
United States History	7	6	10	6	3

## Course Offerings

Park Ridge High School students can earn college credits via Bergen County Community College (the College Connection Program), Educere, and Fairleigh Dickinson University (Middle College Program).

### ENGLISH

AP: AP Language & Composition  
 AP Literature & Composition  
 Honors: English 9 Honors  
 American Lit Honors  
 CP: English 9  
 American Literature  
 British Literature  
 Themes of World Literature  
 Fundamentals English 9-12  
 ESL I, II

Elect: Creative Writing I-III  
 Acting I, II  
 Public Speaking  
 SAT Preparation  
 Pulp Fiction  
 At the Movies  
 Express Yourself  
 Freshmen Focus

### SCIENCE

AP: AP Biology  
 AP Chemistry  
 Honors: Biology Honors  
 Chemistry Honors  
 Physics Honors  
 Human An. & Phys Honors  
 CP: Biology  
 Chemistry  
 Conceptual Chemistry  
 Physics  
 Conceptual Physics  
 CP Anatomy & Physiology  
 Environmental Science  
 Fundamentals of Biology  
 Fundamentals of Chem

### SOCIAL STUDIES

AP: AP European History  
 AP US History  
 AP Psychology  
 AP World History  
 Honors: US History 1  
 CP: World Cultures  
 US History I, II  
 Fund. World Cult.  
 Fund. US History I, II  
 Psychology  
 Cont. Amer. Hist. & Cult.  
 Economics  
 Sociology

### MATHEMATICS

AP: AP Calculus AB  
 AP Calculus BC  
 AP Statistics  
 Honors: Honors Geometry  
 Honors Algebra II  
 Honors Pre-Calculus  
 Calculus Honors  
 CP: Geometry  
 Algebra II  
 Algebra IIE  
 Adv. Algebra w/ Trig  
 Pre-Calculus  
 College Prep Math w/ Stats  
 Statistics  
 Algebra 1  
 Algebra 1b  
 Plane Geometry  
 Intermediate Algebra II  
 Fundamentals of Algebra 1b  
 Fund of Geometry  
 Fund of Intermediate Alg II  
 Pre-College Math

Elect: SAT Preparation  
 Math Preparation

### WORLD LANGUAGE

AP: AP Spanish Language  
 AP French Language  
 AP German Language  
 Honors: German IV, V, VI  
 French IV, V, VI  
 Spanish IV, V, VI  
 CP: German I, II, III  
 Spanish I, II, III  
 French I, II, III  
 Spanish Heritage I, II, III  
 Fund of Spanish I, II

### BUSINESS

Accounting I-A, I-B  
 Civil Law & Procedure  
 Criminal Law & Procedure  
 Economics  
 Financial Literacy  
 Principles of Business  
 Advertising & Display  
 Entertain. & Sports Marketing  
 Marketing in the 21st Century  
 Advanced Marketing I, II

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Physical Education/Health 9-12

### FINE & PERFORMING ARTS

Introduction to Art  
 Ceramics and Clay Sculpture I, II  
 Digital Photography  
 High School Art  
 Advanced Art  
 Painting  
 Portfolio Development

### MUSIC

AP: AP Music Theory  
 CP: Concert Band 1-4  
 Vocal Music 1-4  
 Music Appreciation  
 Piano I, II

### VOCATION PROGRAMS &

#### COURSES

Honors: Teacher Cadet Program  
 CP: Bergen Cty Technical School  
 BOCES  
 Internship

### COMPUTER EDUCATION

AP: AP Computer Sci Principles  
 CP: 3D Graphics I, II  
 Comp Graph & Desktop Pub  
 Game Creation I-III  
 Robotics I, II  
 Website Development  
 Computer Science I-IV  
 STEAM 101

### MEDIA STUDIES

Media Production I-III

## College Acceptances, Classes of 2017-2020

Adelphi University	Kutztown University	SUNY Albany
American University	Lafayette College	SUNY Binghamton
Barnard College	Lehigh University	SUNY Cortland
Bentley University	Liberty University	SUNY New Paltz
Bergen Community College	Loyola University Chicago	SUNY Purchase
Bloomsburg University	Loyola University Maryland	SUNY Stony Brook
Boston College	Manhattan College	Syracuse University
Boston University	Marist College	Temple University
Brandeis University	Miami University of Ohio	The College of New Jersey
Bryant University	Michigan State University	The New School, Parsons
Bucknell University	Monmouth University	Towson University
California Inst. of Technology	Montclair State University	University of Alabama
Case Western Reserve Univ	Mount Saint Mary College	University of CA, San Diego
Clarion University	New Jersey Institute of Tech	University of Colorado, Boulder
Clemson University	New York Institute of Tech	University of Connecticut
College of Charleston	New York University	University of Delaware
College of the Holy Cross	Northeastern University	University of Florida
College of St. Rose	Ohio State University	University of Hartford
Cornell University	Pace University	University of Maryland
Delaware Valley College	Passaic Community College	University of Mass., Amherst
Drew University	Penn State University	University of Michigan
Drexel University	Pratt Institute	University of New England
East Stroudsburg University	Providence College	University of New Haven
Eastern Connecticut State Univ	Purdue University	University of NC, Chapel Hill
Elon University	Quinnipiac University	University of Pennsylvania
Fairfield University	Ramapo College	University of Rhode Island
Fairleigh Dickinson University	Rider University	University of San Diego
Florida Atlantic University	Rochester Institute of Tech	University of Scranton
Florida State University	Roger Williams University	University of South Carolina
Fordham University	Rowan University	Univ of Southern California
Franklin & Marshall College	Rutgers University	University of Tampa
George Washington University	Sacred Heart University	University of Toronto
Georgia Institute of Technology	Salisbury University	University of Vermont
Gettysburg College	Seton Hall University	University of Wisc Madison
Gordon College	Siena College	Vanderbilt University
Hamilton College	Skidmore College	Villanova University
High Point University	Springfield College	Virginia Tech
Hofstra University	St. John's University	Wagner College
Indiana U., Bloomington	St. Joseph's University	Washington Un. in St. Louis
Ithaca College	St. Thomas Aquinas College	West Chester University
James Madison University	Stevens Institute of Technology	Wilkes University
Johnson & Wales University	Stockton University	
Kean University	Stonehill College	
William Paterson University		

## School Counselors /Department

Mr. Troy Lederman, *Guidance Supervisor*  
Mrs. Alison Heller, *School Counselor, Grades 9 to 12*  
Mrs. Dawn Huffman, *School Counselor, Grades 9 to 12*

Mrs. Tara Saykin, *School Counselor, Grades 7 and 8*  
Mrs. Gabriella Ferrero, *Guidance Secretary*