



Great Neck Public Schools

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Profile: Class of 2022

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COMMUNITY Great Neck is a residential community of some 40,000 people on the North Shore of Long Island, in Nassau County, within easy commuting distance of Manhattan. Great Neck residents, typically well-educated, are concerned about education and have high expectations for their school system.

SCHOOLS About 6,600 students, grades K–12, attend the Great Neck Public Schools. There are three high schools: North, South, and Village (a small alternative high school), and SEAL Program, an alternative high school. There are two middle schools and four elementary schools. Our students have diverse backgrounds; they come from over 40 countries and represent a broad socioeconomic range. Approximately 1,200 students are enrolled in North High School for 2021–22. The Great Neck school district has, from its inception, offered a highly academic, enriched, and comprehensive program.

NATIONAL RECOGNITION National publications consistently and historically have included Great Neck North High School among the top secondary schools in the country. These publications have based their conclusions on surveys of groups such as college admissions officers, the Carnegie Foundation, the Institute for Educational Leadership at the George Washington University, and the National Association of Secondary School Principals, as well as on standardized measures of student performance, such as Advanced Placement (AP) and New York State Regents exams.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

North High School Class of 2021 New York State Regents achievements:

- 95 percent earned a Regents Endorsed Diploma
- 78 percent received a Regents Advanced Diploma
- 31 percent received a Regents Advanced Diploma with Honors (achieving an average of 90 or better on eight exams)

Great Neck Public School students are required to sit for the Common Core Regents examinations, with no option to take traditional Regents exams. Although Common Core Regents' scores were comparatively lower and many districts gave students a choice of which Regents exam to take, our district deemed the Common Core curriculums and corresponding exams to be more educationally sound and in the best interests of our students. NOTE: Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Regents exams were canceled in June and August of 2020, and June and August of 2021. Algebra, Earth Science, English Language Arts (ELA), and Living Environment were offered on an optional basis in June of 2021. As a result, students were granted exemptions, denoted by an 'E' on the transcript, and accounted for when determining diploma types.

Our students continue to garner awards on the local and national levels including:

- American Invitational Math Exam
- American Mathematics Contest
- Character Matters
- International Science & Engineering Fair
- Lincoln Center Chamber Music Concert
- Music competitions
- Natl Council of Teachers of English
- Natl foreign language exams
- Natl Foundation for the Arts
- Regeneron Science Talent Search
- Research in social sciences
- Writing competitions
- Young artists competitions

CURRICULUM We offer Advanced Placement (AP), Honors, and Regents courses; career training; English as a New Language (ENL); and remedial and special education.

- Community School, a highly academic English, social studies, and human relations program, has provided an alternative approach to learning for over 50 years; it is a recognized model for a student-centered community education environment.
- Independent Study program provides the opportunity for students to pursue their own academic interests.
- An accomplished orchestral, band, and choral music program has earned local, state, and national honors.
- Our Science Research program has promoted science research and education in our school and earned a plethora of local, state, and national awards.
- We are equally proud of initiating the district-wide special education program, ACE (Academic and Career Education).
- 25 AP courses are offered — all students enrolled in AP courses are required to take AP exams.

CUMULATIVE AVERAGE

The cumulative average, computed at the end of eleventh grade, includes all subjects in which a student received a final numerical grade. **There is no weighting of grades for honors and advanced placement courses.**

CLASS RANK

In accordance with Great Neck Board of Education policy, **students are not ranked by cumulative averages relative to their classmates** nor are cumulative averages weighted based on the rigor of courses taken. A distribution of cumulative averages for the North High School Class of 2022, computed at the end of eleventh grade, follows.

DISTRIBUTION OF CUMULATIVE AVERAGES

NORTH HIGH SCHOOL — CLASS OF 2022

Cumulative Averages	% of Class
95 and above	.8.9%
90–94.9	39.3%
85–89.9	23.4%
80–84.9	13.9%
75–79.9	5.9%
70–74.9	6.3%
65–69.9	1.3%
Below 65	1.0%

Past statistical analysis has indicated a correlation between scores on New York State Regents Examinations and final course grades of approximately +.80.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS NORTH HIGH SCHOOL

Subject Area	22 Units of Credit
English	4
Social Studies	4
Mathematics	3
Science	3
Foreign Language	1
Health Education	1
Physical Education	2
Art/Music/Drama	1
Practical Arts (Business, F.A.C.S., Tech. Ed.)	.5
Computer Ed. or Word Processing	.5
Electives	2

FUTURE PLANS

NORTH HIGH SCHOOL — CLASS OF 2020

Higher Education	94.3%
Four-Year Colleges	88.7%
Two-Year Colleges	5.6%
Other	5.7%

SCHOLARSHIP AND AWARD DATA

Program	Recipients
National Merit Scholarship Competition, 2021–22	
Semifinalists	10
Commended Students	17
College Board AP Scholar Awards Program, 2020–21	
Scholars with Distinction	110
Scholars with Honors	34
Scholars	64

COLLEGE BOARD ADMISSIONS TESTS NORTH HIGH SCHOOL — CLASS OF 2021

Test	Number Tested	School Mean	State Mean
SAT–ERW	134	632	526
SAT–Math	134	666	531

SAT II: Subject Tests

NORTH HIGH SCHOOL — CLASS OF 2020

Test	Number Tested	School Mean
Biology–E	5	682
Biology–M	34	734
Chemistry	41	682*
Chinese with Listening	1	790
Literature	5	632
Math–Level I	16	675
Math–Level II	50	753
Modern Hebrew	1	680
Physics	22	699*
Spanish	2	525
Spanish with Listening	1	540
US History	19	678
World History	14	650*

* Data for the Class of 2021

ACT (American College Testing) NORTH HIGH SCHOOL — CLASS OF 2021

Test	Number Tested	School Mean	State Mean
English	140	26.2	26.1
Mathematics	140	25.5	25.7
Reading	140	25.3	27.0
Science	140	25.3	25.9
Composite	140	25.7	26.3

ADVANCED PLACEMENT TESTS NORTH HIGH SCHOOL — 2020–2021

Subject	Number Tested*	% With 3 or Better
Art: Drawing	21	86
Biology	68	100
Chemistry	23	100
Chinese Language	11	91
Computer Science Principles	28	96
Economics: Macro	100	63
Economics: Micro	101	69
English Language & Composition	88	93
English Literature & Composition	101	64
Environmental Science	150	42
French Language and Culture	8	100
Government & Politics: US	26	65
History: European	9	89
History: United States	77	96
History: World	69	96
Math: Calculus AB	64	97
Math: Calculus BC	40	98
Music Theory	5	60
Physics 1	33	58
Physics C: Electricity & Magnetism	18	61
Physics C: Mechanics	18	89
Psychology	81	93
Spanish Language	44	95
Statistics	82	88

* 350 students, representing 58.9% of eleventh- and twelfth-graders, took 1 or more AP tests. 87 tenth-graders and 11 ninth-graders took 1 or more AP tests.

COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES ATTENDED BY THE CLASSES OF 2017–2021

The number following each school represents the total number of students enrolled during this five-year period.

Adelphi University	14	Jewish Theological Seminary of America	1	SUNY New Paltz	4
American University	3	Johns Hopkins University	2	SUNY Oneonta	4
Barnard College	1	Lehigh University	5	SUNY Stony Brook	20
Bar-Ilan University, Israel	8	LIM College	10	Swarthmore College	2
Bentley University	2	Long Island University	8	Syracuse University	25
Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania	1	Lynn University	1	Tel Aviv University	1
Boston College	4	Manhattanville College	2	Temple University	2
Boston University	36	Marist College	1	Touro College	2
Bowdoin College	1	Maryland Institute College of Art	1	Tufts University	4
Brandeis University	6	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	2	Tulane University	12
Brown University	1	McGill University	4	Union College	2
Bryan College	1	Mercy College	2	United States Merchant Marine Academy	1
Bryn Mawr College	1	Miami University (Oxford, Ohio)	2	United States Military Academy-West Point	1
California State University, L.A	1	Middlebury College	1	University College London	1
Carnegie Mellon University	5	Molloy College	1	University of California, Berkeley	2
Case Western Reserve University	1	Morgan State University	4	University of California, Los Angeles	3
Centenary University	1	Mount Holyoke College	1	University of California, San Diego	5
Central Piedmont C.C	1	Muhlenberg College	8	University of Cambridge, United Kingdom	1
Champlain College	1	Nassau Community College	85	University of Central Florida	1
Clark University	2	New School, The	1	University of Chicago	1
Colgate University	1	New School, The - Parsons School of Design	3	University of Cincinnati	1
College of Charleston	1	New York Institute of Technology	20	University of Colorado Boulder	1
College of New Jersey, The	1	New York University	67	University of Connecticut	4
Columbia University	5	Northeastern University	21	University of Delaware	15
Columbus State CC	5	Northwestern University	4	University of Edinburgh, The- Scotland	1
Connecticut College	1	Oberlin College	1	University of Florida	1
Cooper Union, The	3	Ohio State University, The	5	University of Hartford	6
Cornell University	25	Pace University	15	University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign	5
Culinary Institute of America-NY, The	1	Pennsylvania State University	15	University of Iowa	1
CUNY Baruch College	78	Princeton University	1	University of Maryland-College Park	13
CUNY Borough of Manhattan CC	3	Purdue University	1	University of Massachusetts-Amherst	4
CUNY Brooklyn College	1	Quinnipiac University	1	University of Miami	10
CUNY City College of New York, The	2	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	5	University of Michigan	23
CUNY Hunter College	30	Rhode Island School of Design	2	University of Nebraska, Lincoln	1
CUNY John Jay College	1	Rice University	1	University of New Hampshire	1
CUNY Macaulay Honors College	23	Ringling College of Art & Design	2	University of New Haven	1
CUNY Medgar Evers College	1	Rochester Institute of Technology	9	University of North Carolina, The	1
CUNY New York City College of Tech.	2	Russell Sage College	1	University of Notre Dame	1
CUNY Queens College	92	Rutgers - SUNJ	4	University of Pennsylvania	11
CUNY Queensborough CC	53	Santa Monica College	2	University of Pittsburgh	2
Davidson County CC	1	Sarah Lawrence College	1	University of Rhode Island	1
Dickinson College	1	Savannah College of Art & Design	1	University of Richmond	1
Drexel University	5	School of Visual Arts	2	University of Rochester	4
Duke University	1	Simmons University	1	University of South Florida, Tampa	2
Elmhurst College	1	Skidmore College	1	University of Southern California	1
Elmira College	1	St. John's College	1	University of St. Andrews, Scotland	1
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical Univ.-Prescott	1	St. John's University, Queens Campus	26	University of Tampa	2
Emerson College	1	St. Joseph's College, Brooklyn	1	University of Texas, The, at Austin	1
Emory University	14	Stevenson University	1	University of Vermont	3
Five Towns College	2	Suffolk University	1	University of Virginia	4
Florida Atlantic University	3	SKKU, South Korea	1	University of Wisconsin, Madison	12
Fordham University	10	SUNY Albany	5	Vanderbilt University	6
Full Sail University	1	SUNY Binghamton	65	Vassar College	2
George Washington University, The	14	SUNY Buffalo	26	Villanova University	1
Georgetown University	1	SUNY Buffalo State College	3	Wake Forest University	1
Grand Valley University	1	SUNY College at Cortland	10	Washington University in St. Louis	4
Harvard University	4	SUNY College at Geneseo	7	Wentworth Institute of Technology	1
Hamilton University	1	SUNY College at Old Westbury	10	Wesleyan University	1
Haverford College	1	SUNY College at Oswego	3	West Virginia University	1
Hebrew University of Jerusalem	1	SUNY College at Plattsburgh	1	Williams College	2
Hofstra University	23	SUNY College at Potsdam	1	Worcester Poly Technic Institute	1
Indiana University, Bloomington	15	SUNY C. of Environ. Science & Forestry	2	Yale University	5
IDC Herzliya, Israel	7	SUNY Farmingdale State College	3	Yeshiva University	22
Ithaca College	1	SUNY Fashion Institute of Technology	5		

SENIOR PROGRAM Faculty, students, and administrators have worked together to create an innovative program that provides seniors with a college-level seminar experience, challenges them intellectually, demands higher-level thinking and writing skills, and integrates learning through thematic studies. Most importantly, this program recognizes seniors as young adults on their way to college and expects a consequent level of maturity and responsibility from students.

SENIOR SEMINAR is a two-credit program that combines English, social studies, art and business. In this interdisciplinary seminar, students investigate the theme of American identity. Students are exposed to novels, short stories, poems, and essays of the twentieth century. To complement the literature, there is extensive research on the historical, political, social, and business issues of each decade. Students engage in internships in the spring semester or complete an in-depth independent study project.

EXTRACURRICULAR PROGRAMS Eighty-five percent of our students participate in extracurricular activities.

ATHLETIC TEAMS Students compete on 45 interscholastic teams, including: badminton, baseball, basketball, bowling, cross-country, fencing, field hockey, football, gymnastics, lacrosse, soccer, softball, swimming, tennis, volleyball, and wrestling.

CLUBS AND PROGRAMS include, but are not limited to: athletic leadership, Battle of the Classes, debate-forensic teams, Fashion Show, Find the Cure, Habitat for Humanity, Homecoming, Key Club, Kilties, Math Team, Mock Trial, Model Congress, Model UN, Overture, Peer Drug Educators, photography, real estate/investment, Relay for Life, SADD, Student Organization, and Unity Day.

- Artfest, held annually, displays a year's worth of commitment in the performing and visual arts.
- Fine Arts and Performing Arts produce outstanding plays, musicals, concerts, and exhibitions in venues ranging from North High to Carnegie Hall and Disney World.
- Journalism opportunities feature eight publications, several of which earn local and national awards.
- Peer AIDS-education, an acclaimed program, in which students, trained in AIDS education by the professional staff of a hospital, plan and implement programs for the entire school.
- Peer Leadership involves approximately 100 juniors and seniors who serve as "big brothers and big sisters" to younger students in the school.
- Peer Mentoring connects high school mentors with at-risk middle school students.

ACCREDITATION & INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERSHIPS Great Neck North High School is accredited and certified by the New York State Education Department. The school holds institutional memberships with the College Entrance Examination Board, the National Association of College Admissions Counselors, the National Association of Secondary School Principals, and the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development.

COUNSELORS All counselors, except the department head, have caseloads of approximately 190 students. The vast majority of students work with the same counselor for all four years of high school in all facets of guidance-program activities, from personal counseling to academic planning and college counseling. Students meet with counselors individually and in small groups for a variety of purposes throughout the academic year.

VISITS BY COLLEGE ADMISSIONS REPRESENTATIVES In a typical year, representatives are welcome in our school to meet with counselors and students. "Mini College Days" are held regularly. Schedules for these events are available in late spring for the following year. They can be obtained via Rep Visits or by contacting the guidance office. For the 2021-2022 school year, the majority of college reps have planned for virtual meetings while several college reps will be visiting North to meet with students and counselors.

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