

## REPRESENTATIVE COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES FOR THE CLASSES OF 2014-2017

Albright College	James Madison University	SUNY at Cortland
American University	John Jay College	SUNY at New Paltz
Amherst College	John Hopkins University	SUNY at Old Westbury
Arizona State University	Kean University	Susquehanna University
Babson College	La Salle University	Swathmore College
Bard College	Lafayette College	Syracuse University
Barnard College	LeHigh University	Temple University
Bates College	Loyola College of Maryland	Texas Tech University
Bloomsburg University	Manhattan College	Towson University
Boston College	Manhattanville College	Trinity College
Boston University	Marist College	Tufts University
Brown University	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	Tulane University
Bucknell University	McGill University	Union College
California Institute of Technology	Merchant Marine Academy	United States Military Academy
Carnegie Mellon University	Miami University	University of Alabama
Case Western Reserve	Michigan State University	University of Arizona
Catholic University of America	Middlebury College	University of California
Clark University	Monmouth University	University of Chicago
Clemson University	Montclair State University	University of Colorado
Coastal Carolina University	Moravian College	University of Connecticut
Colby College	Muhlenberg College	University of Delaware
Colgate University	New Jersey Institute of Technology	University of Florida
College of New Jersey	New York University	University of Hartford
College of William and Mary	North Carolina State University	University of Maryland
Columbia University	Northeastern University	University of Massachusetts
Connecticut College	Northwestern University	University of Miami
Cornell University	Occidental College	University of Michigan
Dartmouth College	Ohio State University	University of New Hampshire
Dickinson College	Ohio University	University of New Haven
Drew University	Pace University	University of North Carolina
Drexel University	Pennsylvania State University	University of Notre Dame
Duke University	Pepperdine University	University of Pennsylvania
Duquesne University	Pratt Institute	University of Pittsburgh
East Carolina University	Princeton University	University of Rhode Island
East Stroudsburg Univ. of PA	Providence College	University of Richmond
Emerson College	Purdue University	University of Rochester
Emory University	Quinnipiac University	University of San Francisco
Fairfield University	Radford University	University of Scranton
Fairleigh Dickinson University	Ramapo College	University of South Carolina
Fashion Institute of Technology	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	University of Tampa
Felician College	Rhode Island School of Design	University of Tennessee
Florida State University	Richard Stockton College	University of the Sciences
Fordham University	Rider University	University of Vermont
Franklin and Marshall College	Rochester Institute of Technology	University of Virginia
George Mason University	Roger Williams University	University of Wisconsin
George Washington University	Rowan University	Vanderbilt University
Georgetown University	Rutgers University	Vassar College
Gettysburg College	Sacred Heart University	Villanova University
Gonzaga University	Saint Joseph's University	Wagner College
Hamilton College	Sarah Lawrence College	Washington and Lee University
Harvard University	Seton Hall University	Washington Univ. in St. Louis
Haverford College	Siena College	Wesley College
Harvey Mudd College	Skidmore College	Wesleyan University
High Point University	St. John's University	West Chester University
Hobart and William Smith	Stevens Institute of Technology	West Virginia University
Hofstra University	SUNY at Albany	William Paterson University
Indiana University	SUNY at Buffalo	Williams College
Ithaca College		Yale University

# PASCACK VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

"The e-Learning School District"

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## PASCACK VALLEY ~ PROFILE 2017 - 2018

**COMMUNITIES:** Pascack Valley High School is one of two high schools in the Pascack Valley Regional High School District. Pascack Valley High School serves the northern Bergen County communities of Hillside and River Vale, New Jersey. The towns are neighboring suburban communities with a combined population of approximately 20,000. The location, 20 miles northwest of New York City, enables residents to take advantage of the many cultural and educational resources of a large city. Residents enjoy a middle to upper-middle class socio-economic level with the majority of adults employed as professionals and business executives. A high percentage of adults in both communities are college graduates. The community has high expectations and aspirations for its schools.

**SCHOOL:** Pascack Valley High School is a four-year college preparatory school with an enrollment of approximately 1300 students. The 2017 graduating class was comprised of 292 students. The school is a member of the National Association of College Admission Counselors and supports the Association's statement of "Principles of Good Practice." Pascack Valley High School consistently ranks in the top tier of New Jersey high schools as rated by the New Jersey Monthly Magazine.

**e-LEARNING:** The Pascack Valley Regional High School District is the first district in New Jersey to provide wireless laptops to all students and teachers to be used in classrooms and at home. This initiative, currently in the 13th year, impacts teaching, learning and communications between school and home while creating a community of learners between teachers and students. Advanced technological skills better prepare our students to enter college and the work place.

**PASCACK SCHEDULE:** Beginning with the 2014-15 school year, Pascack Valley High School has a new schedule that includes "Pascack Period". The Pascack Period is designed to provide an innovative learning environment, where all the students will have the choice to actively explore their personal passions for the betterment of themselves and their community. This schedule includes rotating periods, opportunities for longer periods, a common lunch, and time for non-traditional learning experiences. To view the Pascack schedule, please visit the district website at [www.pascack.org](http://www.pascack.org).

**ACCREDITATION:** Pascack Valley High School is accredited by the New Jersey Department of Education.

### POST SECONDARY PLANS OF RECENT GRADUATES

	2015	2016	2017
Total Graduates	295	306	292
% 4- Yr. College	85	83	86
% 2- Yr. College	13	12	10
% Other	2	4	4

### NATIONAL/STATE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Class of 2016	
National Merit Commended	5
National Merit Semi-Finalist	0
National Merit Finalist	0
Class of 2016	
AP Scholars	40
AP Scholars with Honors	15
AP Scholars with Distinction	27
AP National Scholars	4

### ADVANCED PLACEMENT 2017

A total of 226 students took 463 Advanced Placement exams in 21 different subjects. Advanced Placement tests were taken in Art History, Biology, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Chemistry, Computer Science, English Language/Composition, English Literature/Composition, Environmental Science, Italian Language, Microeconomics, Music Theory, Physics I, Physics II, Spanish Language, French Language, Statistics, Studio Art 2D, Studio Art Drawing, United States History and World History.

### COLLEGE BOARD SAT I SCORES CLASS OF 2016

	PV	NJ	National
Critical Reading	524	495	494
Mathematics	560	514	508
Writing	534	492	482

NOTE: 100% of seniors at Pascack Valley took the SAT I test.

### COLLEGE BOARD SAT SUBJECT SCORES CLASS OF 2016

Test Name	Mean Score
Physics	644
Biology-E	666
Biology-M	623
English-Literature	697
Math 1C	683
Math 2C	739
U.S. History	659
Chemistry	676

Scores represent tests taken by 5 or more students in grades 9-12.

### ACT SCORES CLASS OF 2016

	PV	NJ	National
English	23.9	22.7	20.1
Math	24.8	23.3	20.6
Reading	24.9	23.5	21.3
Science	23.3	22.5	20.8
Composite	24.3	23.1	20.8

## GRADING SYSTEM AND GRADE POINT AVERAGE

Grade Point Average is computed by a process which includes all subjects for which credit is given and all grades including failures. Honors and Advanced Placement grades are weighted the same, receiving one additional point.

### GRADING SCALE/VALUES

Grading	College Prep	Honors/AP
Scale	Courses	Courses
A+	98-100	4.33
A	93-97	4.00
A-	90-92	3.67
B+	87-89	3.33
B	83-86	3.00
B-	80-82	2.67
C+	77-79	2.33
C	73-76	2.00
C-	70-72	1.67
D+	67-69	1.33
D	63-66	1.00
D-	60-62	0.67
F	0-59	0.00

WP Withdraw/Passing I Incomplete NC No Credit  
WF Withdraw/Failing MEX Medically Excused

### GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

All students must earn a minimum of 120 credits, which include:

English	4 Years	20 Credits
World History	1 Year	5 Credits
United States History	2 Years	10 Credits
Mathematics	3 Years	15 Credits
Science	3 Years	15 Credits
World Language	2 Years	10 Credits
Physical Education/Health	4 Years	16 Credits
Fine/Practical/Performing Arts	2 Years	10 Credits
Financial/Literacy	1/2 Year	2.5 Credits

In addition, all students must meet the minimum standard on the PARCC or other assessments as defined by the NJDOE.

### DISTRIBUTION OF GRADE POINT AVERAGE CLASS OF 2018 (As of the 6th semester)

Given the rigorous nature of the curriculum and a highly motivated student body, the Pascack Valley Regional High School District does not rank students.

Quintile	GPA Range
1	4.84 - 4.08
2	4.07 - 3.67
3	3.66 - 3.31
4	3.30 - 2.91
5	2.90 - 1.67

## COURSE OFFERINGS

### ENGLISH:

AP: AP Language and Composition  
AP Literature and Composition  
Honors: Honors English 1, 2, 3, 4  
Honors Language, Myth & Human Culture  
Honors Literature of the Holocaust  
Honors American Studies  
College CP English 1, 2, 3, 4  
Prep: American Studies +  
Creative Writing 1, 2  
Language, Myth & Human Culture  
Sports and Literature  
Film and Literature  
Journalism  
Theater Arts  
Literature of the Holocaust  
Honors Advance Media Production

### MATHEMATICS:

AP: AP Calculus AB  
AP Calculus BC  
AP Statistics  
AP Computer Science-A  
Honors: Honors Geometry  
Honors Algebra 2/Trigonometry  
Honors Pre-Calculus  
Honors Computer Science  
College Algebra 1  
Algebra I Enhanced  
Geometry  
Prep: Geometry Enhanced  
Algebra 2/Trigonometry  
Algebra 2/Trigonometry Enhanced  
Pre-Calculus  
Calculus  
Computer Science Principles  
College Algebra\*  
Discrete Math\*  
Statistics 1\*, 2\*

### SCIENCE:

AP: AP Biology  
AP Chemistry  
AP Env. Science  
AP Physics I, AP Physics II, AP Physics C  
Honors: Honors Biology  
Honors Chemistry  
Honors Physics  
Honors: Forensics - Project Advance Syracuse Univ.  
Research in Molecular Genetics I, II, III  
College Biology

### SCIENCE: (continued)

Prep: Chemistry  
Physics  
Physics/Technology  
Astronomy\*  
Earth's Natural Disasters\*  
Conceptual Physics  
Environmental Biology  
Chemistry in the Community  
Anatomy and Physiology  
Environmental Studies  
Science, Ethics, Technology & Society

### SOCIAL STUDIES:

AP: AP World History  
AP US History 1, 2  
Honors: Honors World History  
Honors US History 1, 2  
Honors SUPA Public Affairs  
Honors History of Sport in America\*  
College CP World History  
Prep: CP US History 1, 2  
American Studies +  
Anthropology\*  
Constitutional Law\*  
Economics\*  
Sociology\*  
Analysis of History through Film\*  
Current World Problems\*  
Psychology 1, 2\*  
Religion in America\*

### WORLD LANGUAGES:

AP: AP French  
AP Italian  
AP Spanish  
Honors: Honors French 2, 3, 4  
Honors Spanish 2, 3, 4  
Honors Italian 2, 3, 4  
Honors Chinese 2, 3, 4, 5  
College French 1, 2, 3, 4, 5  
Prep: Italian 1, 2, 3, 4  
Spanish 1, 2, 3, 4, 5  
Chinese 1, 2, 3, 4, 5  
ESL

### ARTS:

AP History of Art  
AP Studio Art: Drawing  
AP Studio Art: 2D-3D Design  
Fundamentals of Art & Design  
Ceramics  
Drawing

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### ARTS:

Fine Arts  
Photography  
Advanced Photography  
Crafts  
Advanced Crafts

### BUSINESS:

The Business Process\*  
Entrepreneurship  
Financial Literacy\*  
Marketing\*

### FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES:

Advanced Clothing Construction  
Advanced Fashion Design  
Clothing Construction  
Culinary Arts I, II  
Family and Consumer Sciences\*  
Family Living I, II, III  
Fashion Design  
Interior Design  
Early Childhood & Family Education I, II, III  
21st Century Life Skills

### MUSIC:

Choir/Lunch, Band/Lunch  
Chamber Choir, Concert Choir  
Concert Band  
Concert Band/Marching Band  
Guitar I  
Guitar Ensemble  
History of Popular Music\*  
Introduction to Guitar\*  
Music Theory  
AP Music Theory

### TECHNOLOGY:

Graphic Communication Technology I, II  
Honors Engineering Design I, II  
Introduction to Web Design\*  
Technological Design\*  
Video Production  
Advanced Video Production

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION/HEALTH:

Physical Education/Health 9, 10, 11, 12

### VIRTUAL HIGH SCHOOL: (VHS)

Multiple Course Offerings

### VOCATIONAL PROGRAM:

Satellite Program at Bergen County  
Technical School (Satellite)

\*Semester Courses +Double Period Courses

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Superintendent of Schools

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