

PASCACK VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

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PASCACK VALLEY ~ PROFILE 2023 - 2024

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 Hillsdale 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 1000 students. The 2023 graduating class was comprised of 255 students. The school is a member of the National Association of College Admission Counselors and supports the Association's Code of Ethics & Professional Practices. 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 was 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 19th 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: To view the current Pascack schedule, please visit the district website at www.pascack.org.

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

POST SECONDARY PLANS OF RECENT GRADUATES

	2021	2022	2023
Total Graduates	296	287	255
% 4- Yr. College	85	83	89
% 2- Yr. College	9	10	8
% Other	6	7	3

NATIONAL/STATE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Class of 2022

National Merit Commended 4

Class of 2022

AP Scholars.....33

AP Scholars with Honors.....17

AP Scholars with Distinction.....19

ADVANCED PLACEMENT 2023

A total of 221 students took 419 Advanced Placement exams in 21 different subjects. Advanced Placement tests were taken in Biology, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Chemistry, Chinese Language & Culture, Computer Science, English Language/Composition, English Literature/Composition, Environmental Science, Italian Language, Macroeconomics, Physics I, Physics II, Seminar, Spanish Language, Statistics, Studio Art 2D, Studio Art Drawing, US Government & Politics, United States History and World History.

COLLEGE BOARD SAT SCORES CLASS OF 2022

	<u>PV</u>	<u>NJ</u>	<u>National</u>
ERW	601	541	529
Mathematics	615	540	521
Total	1216	1081	1050

ACT SCORES CLASS OF 2022

	<u>PV</u>	<u>NJ</u>	<u>National</u>
English	23.1	24.9	19.0
Mathematics	23.0	23.9	19.3
Reading	23.1	25.1	20.4
Science	22.5	24.0	19.9
Composite	23.0	24.6	19.8

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

	<u>Grading Scale</u>	<u>College Prep Courses</u>	<u>Honors/AP Courses</u>
A+	98-100	4.33	5.33
A	93-97	4.00	5.00
A-	90-92	3.67	4.67
B+	87-89	3.33	4.33
B	83-86	3.00	4.00
B-	80-82	2.67	3.67
C+	77-79	2.33	3.33
C	73-76	2.00	3.00
C-	70-72	1.67	2.67
D+	67-69	1.33	2.33
D	63-66	1.00	2.00
D-	60-62	0.67	1.67
F	0-59	0.00	

P PASS
F FAIL

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	20 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 NJGPA or other assessments as outlined by the NJDOE.

DISTRIBUTION OF GRADE POINT AVERAGE

CLASS OF 2024
(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.

<u>Quintile</u>	<u>GPA Range</u>
1	5.00 - 4.12
2	4.11 - 3.77
3	3.76 - 3.42
4	3.41 - 2.86
5	2.85 - 1.53

COURSE OFFERINGS

* Courses marked with an asterisk are eligible for college credit via dual enrollment

ENGLISH:

AP: AP Language and Composition
 AP Literature and Composition
 AP Seminar

Honors: Honors English 1, 2, 3, 4
 Honors Language, Myth & Human Culture*
 Honors Literature of the Holocaust*
 Honors American Studies
 Honors Advanced 21st Century Journalism & Media

College Prep:
 Public Speaking
 Creative Writing
 English 1, 2, 3, 4
 American Studies +
 Language, Myth & Human Culture
 Sports and Literature
 Film and Literature
 21st Century Journalism & Media
 Literature of the Holocaust

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
 Advanced Topics in Calculus
 Advanced Topics in Computer Science

College Prep:
 Algebra 1
 Algebra I Enhanced
 Geometry
 Geometry Enhanced
 Algebra 2/Trigonometry
 Algebra 2/Trigonometry Enhanced
 Pre-Calculus
 Calculus*
 Computer Science Principles
 College Algebra
 Discrete Math
 Intro to Comp. Science & App. Dev.
 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 - SUPA*
 Honors Reserch in Molecular Genetics I, II, III
 Honors Anatomy & Physiology

SCIENCE: (continued)

College Prep:
 Biology
 Biological Science
 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
 AP Economics
 AP Government & Politics

Honors: Honors World History 1, 2
 Honors SUPA Public Affairs*
 Honors History of Sport in America
 Honors Psychology*

College Prep:
 World History
 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 Language & Culture*
 AP Spanish Literature & Culture*

Honors: Honors French 2, 3, 4*
 Honors Spanish 2, 3, 4*
 Honors Italian 2, 3, 4*
 Honors Chinese 2, 3, 4*, 5*
 Honors Spanish for Heritage Speakers 1, 2, 3

College Prep:
 French 1, 2, 3, 4*, 5*
 Italian 1, 2, 3, 4*
 Spanish 1, 2, 3, 4*, 5*
 Chinese 1, 2, 3, 4*, 5*
 ESL
 Spanish for Heritage Speakers 1, 2, 3

ARTS:

AP Studio Art: Drawing
 AP Studio Art: 2D Design
 AP History of Art

ARTS: (continued)

Honors: Honors Advanced Ceramics & Sculpture 2
 Honors Advanced Studio Art 2*
 Honors Advanced Photography*

College Prep:
 Ceramics
 Ceramics & Sculpture 1
 Drawing
 Studio Art 1
 Fine Arts
 Photography
 Crafts

BUSINESS:

Entrepreneurship
 Financial Investment*
 Financial Literacy
 Blended Financial Literacy
 Principle of Business
 Marketing
 Management Leadership*

FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCE:

Advanced Clothing Construction
 Advanced Fashion Design
 Clothing Construction
 Culinary Arts I, II
 Fashion Design
 Interior Design
 Early Childhood & Family Education I, II, III

MUSIC:

Choir/Lunch
 Chamber Choir, Concert Choir
 Concert Band
 Concert Band/Marching Band
 Guitar I
 Music Technology
 Music Theory I
 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
 Broadcast Television Production
 Architecture
 Honors Research in Innovation & Design
 Graphics Design 1, 2
 Robotics & Game Design
 Introduction to Innovation & Design

PHYSICAL EDUCATION/HEALTH:

Physical Education/Health 9, 10, 11, 12

VIRTUAL HIGH SCHOOL: (VHS)

Multiple Course Offerings

VOCATIONAL PROGRAM:

Satellite Program at Bergen County
 + Double Period Courses

Ms. Sarah Bilotti
Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Barry Bachenheimer
Director Curriculum, Instruction, & Assessment

Mr. John Puccio
Principal

Mrs. Alison Petaccia
Assistant Principal

Mr. Thomas Gallione
Assistant Principal

Dr. Sean Struncis
District Supervisor of School Counseling

Dr. Frank Andrisani, Counselor

Mrs. Mary Jo Callanan, Counselor

Mrs. Stephanie Distasi, Counselor

Ms. Maggie Ely, Counselor

Mr. Jordan Kapp, Counselor

Ms. Jennifer Kuo, Counselor

Mrs. Christie Rossig
Student Assistance Counselor

Ms. Joanna Katz
Student Family Resource Liaison

REPRESENTATIVE COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES FOR THE CLASSES OF 2020-2023

American University	Johns Hopkins University	Swathmore College
Amherst College	Johnson & Wales University	Syracuse University
Arizona State University	Kean University	Temple University
Babson College	La Salle University	Trinity College
Bard College	Lafayette College	Tufts University
Barnard College	Lehigh University	Tulane University
Bates College	Louisiana State University	Union College
Baylor University	Loyola University	United States Merchant Marine Academy
Bentley University	Lynn University	United States Military Academy
Bergen Community College	Manhattan College	University of Alabama
Bloomsburg University	Manhattanville College	University of Arizona
Boston College	Marist College	University of California, Berkeley
Boston University	Marquette University	University of California, Irvine
Brandeis University	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	University of California, Los Angeles
Brown University	McDaniel College	University of Chicago
Bucknell University	McGill University	University of Colorado
California Institute of Technology	Michigan State University	University of Connecticut
Carnegie Mellon University	Middlebury College	University of Delaware
Case Western Reserve	Monmouth University	University of Florida
Catholic University of America	Montclair State University	University of Georgia
Clark University	Moravian College	University of Illinois
Clemson University	Muhlenberg College	University of Iowa
Coastal Carolina University	New Jersey Institute of Technology	University of Kentucky
Colgate University	New York University	University of Maryland
College of Charleston	North Carolina State University	University of Massachusetts
College of New Jersey	Northeastern University	University of Miami
College of William and Mary	Northwestern University	University of Michigan
Columbia University	Occidental College	University of Mississippi
Cornell University	Ohio State University	University of Nebraska
Dartmouth College	Ohio University	University of New Hampshire
Dickinson College	Pace University	University of North Carolina
Drew University	Pennsylvania State University	University of Notre Dame
Drexel University	Pepperdine University	University of Pennsylvania
Duke University	Princeton University	University of Pittsburgh
Duquesne University	Providence College	University of Rhode Island
East Carolina University	Purdue University	University of Richmond
East Stroudsburg University	Quinnipiac University	University of Rochester
Elon University	Radford University	University of San Francisco
Emerson College	Ramapo College	University of Scranton
Emory University	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	University of South Carolina
Fairfield University	Rhode Island School of Design	University of Southern California
Fairleigh Dickinson University	Richard Stockton College	University of Tampa
Fashion Institute of Technology	Rider University	University of Tennessee
Florida Atlantic University	Rochester Institute of Technology	University of Texas
Florida State University	Roger Williams University	University of Vermont
Fordham University	Rowan University	University of Virginia
Franklin and Marshall College	Rutgers University	University of Wisconsin
George Mason University	Sacred Heart University	Vanderbilt University
George Washington University	Savannah College of Art & Design	Vassar College
Georgetown University	San Diego State University	Villanova University
Georgia Tech University	Sarah Lawrence College	Virginia Tech University
Gettysburg College	Seton Hall University	Wagner College
Hamilton College	Siena College	Washington Univ. in St. Louis
Harvard University	Skidmore College	Wake Forest University
Haverford College	St. John's University	Wesleyan University
High Point University	Stevens Institute of Technology	West Chester University
Hofstra University	SUNY at Binghamton	West Virginia University
Indiana University	SUNY at Buffalo	William Paterson University
Iona College	SUNY at Cortland	Xavier University
Ithaca College	Susquehanna University	Yale University
James Madison University		