



# GARDEN CITY HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE

“Inspiring Minds – Empowering Achievement – Building Community”

## High School Administration

Kevin Steingruebner, *Principal*  
Dave Perrotta, *Assistant Principal*  
Martin Malone, *Interim Assistant Principal*  
Mandi Stefankiewicz, *Assistant Principal for Guidance and PPS*  
Eamonn Flood, *Director of Athletics*

## Central Administration

Dr. Kusum Sinha  
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Mandi Stefankiewicz  
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## High School Counselors

Timothy Casale  
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James Malone  
Ryan Shanley  
Karen Whiston

## DISTRICT AND HIGH SCHOOL DISTINCTIONS

- Ranked No. 20 in New York State and No. 180 out of 17,792 public high schools in the U.S. by U.S. News & World Report (2020).
- Designated as a National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence in 2017 by the U.S. Department of Education.
- Designated as a New York State Recognition School by the New York State Education Department (2020).
- Named in the Best Communities for Music Education by the National Association of Music Merchants for the eighth time.
- Designated as a Scholar Athlete School of Distinction for the 13th time by the New York State Public High School Athletic Association.
- Named a WISE Blue Star School for Financial Literacy for the ninth time.
- Nationally recognized as a PLTW Distinguished School for our engineering program. (On Long Island, we are the only high school that has been recognized twice, in the 2017-18 school year, and in 2019-20.)



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## Our Community

Garden City is a community of approximately 22,500 people.\* It is located 20 miles east of Manhattan in the heart of Nassau County, Long Island, in a suburban setting that includes estates, single-family dwellings, condominiums and businesses. According to Niche.com, 95% of residents are homeowners. Garden City is an incorporated village, nearly coterminous with the school district. The majority of the adult population is comprised of college graduates engaged in business and professional careers. Approximately 66% of this population possesses a bachelor's degree or higher.\*

\*U.S. Census Bureau, 2012.

## District Profile

Approximately 3,917 students attend Garden City Public Schools in grades kindergarten through 12. There are three primary schools (grades K and 1), two elementary schools (grades 2-5), one middle school (grades 6-8) and one high school (grades 9-12). The high school population totals 1,176 (including 317 seniors), and all students are provided with challenging programs to enable them to be college and career ready.

## College Level

Garden City High School offers 17 college-level courses in business education (5), engineering (4) and world languages (8). Colleges may exempt students who complete these courses from required or elective classes.

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## Diploma Requirements

There are multiple pathways to graduation. To obtain a diploma, students are required to fulfill a minimum of 22 credits for graduation.\* These credits must include the following:

### NYS Regents Diploma

English	4
Social Studies	4
Mathematics	3
Science	3
World Language	1
Art/Music/Drama	1
Health	0.5
Physical Education	2
Additional Electives	3.5

### NYS Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation

English	4
Social Studies	4
Mathematics	3
Science	3
World Language	3
Art/Music/Drama	1
Health	0.5
Physical Education	2
Additional Electives	1.5

\*To receive credit, a passing grade of 65 or higher must be achieved.

## Advanced Placement

In the 2019-20 school year, Garden City High School had a total of 286 Advanced Placement (AP) scholars, including 81 AP Scholars with Honors, 85 AP Scholars with Distinction, and 18 National Scholars. In total, 609 students wrote 1,422 AP examinations in the following areas:

Biology	34	Physics 1	2
Calculus AB	1	Physics C: Electricity & Magnetism	24
Calculus BC	89	Physics C: Mechanics	24
Chemistry	39	Psychology	141
Computer Science A	1	Spanish	2
Computer Science Principles	47	Statistics	113
English Language	193	Studio Art–Drawing	17
English Literature	150	Studio Art–2D Design	7
European History	23	U.S. Government and Politics	80
German	1	U.S. History	173
Human Geography	24	World History	90
Macroeconomics	146		
Microeconomics	1		

## Class Rank

In accordance with Garden City Board of Education policy, students are not ranked by cumulative grade point averages (GPAs). However, student transcripts reflect weighted and unweighted GPAs for the purpose of distinguishing among the rigorous programs offered: Advanced Placement, College Level, Honors and Regents. It is important to note that Chamber Orchestra, Jazz Ensemble, Marching Band (pass/fail), Physical Education (pass/fail) and Vocal Jazz Ensemble courses are not calculated into students' GPAs. Individual grades are unweighted.

## Extracurricular Program

The majority of our students participate in at least one extracurricular activity. These activities include special interest clubs, service organizations, student publications, concerts and art exhibitions. At least 70% of students participate in interscholastic sports. Garden City has received 13 School of Distinction awards and one School of Excellence award from the New York State Public High School Athletic Association for all 34 varsity teams maintaining a team GPA average of 90 or higher.

**National:** Boys Lacrosse ranked No. 1, 2013; Girls Winter Track 4x400m relay No.1, 2012; 4x800m relay No.2, 2012, 2013.

**State:** Boys Lacrosse, seven state championships; Boys Swimming, 2015; 200m and 500m freestyle Boys Swimming, individual, 2015; Girls Field Hockey, eight state championships since 1995; Girls Lacrosse, 15 state championships; Girls Soccer, 2010, 2013 championships; Girls Winter Track, 600m champion, 1500m walk champion and 4x400m relay champions, all 2012; 4x400m relay champions, 2010, 2012; 600m and 4x400m relay, 2013.

**Long Island:** Football, eight championships; Boys Lacrosse, 19 championships; Boys Soccer, 2017; Girls Golf, five championships; Girls Lacrosse, 21 championships; Girls Soccer, four championships; Field Hockey, 22 championships.

**County:** Boys and Girls Cross-Country team, 2012, 2013, 2014; Boys Basketball, 2018; Boys Fencing, 2017, 2020; Boys Football, 23 championships; Boys Lacrosse, 25 championships; Boys Soccer, 2017; Boys Swimming, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016; Boys Varsity Wrestling, 2011, 2012 and Individual County Champion in 2020; Girls Fencing, 2010, 2013, 2016; Girls Field Hockey, 29 championships; Girls Golf, 10 championships; Girls Lacrosse, 19 championships; Girls Soccer, six championships; Girls Swimming, 21 championships; Girls Winter Track, seven championships, 2013; Girls Spring Track, six championships.

# Class of 2020 Honors

- 87.3% Achieved Advanced Regents Status or Above:
  - 49% Advanced Regents Diploma with Honors.
  - 38.3% Advanced Regents Diploma.
- 10.1% Regents Diplomas.
- 1% Regents Diploma with Honors.
- 0.3% Local Diploma.
- 1.3% Skills Achievement Commencement Credential.
- Six National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists; Two Scholarship Finalist Winners.
- 12 National Merit Scholarship Commended Students.
- Two National Hispanic Recognition Program Scholars.
- 286 AP Scholars; 18 National Scholars.
- One Grand Prize Winner in Future Engineers' Challenge.
- One First-Place and Two Second-Place Grand Award Winners in the Long Island Science and Engineering Fair (LISEF).
- One First-Place and Two Second-Place Winners in American Chemical Society contest.
- One First-Place Winner in Solution for Pollution contest.
- Named a WISE Blue Star School for Financial Literacy for the ninth time.

## Curriculum

Honors-level courses are available in all subjects, and Advanced Placement courses are offered to students in grades 9-12. College-level courses are offered in business, engineering, and world languages. Garden City's research program includes classes in science and mathematics.

# GARDEN CITY HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2020 CLASS OF 2020 COURSE OFFERINGS

*NOTE: Courses receive either a 1.03 (Honors) or 1.06 (AP & college-level courses) in the computation of weighted grade point averages. Individual grades are unweighted.*

### Art

Studio Art 1,2,3,4,  
Studio Art 1,2,3,4 H  
Media Arts 1,2  
AP Studio Art  
Sculpture I  
History of American Art  
Photography 1, 2, 3, 4

### Business Education

Entrepreneurship  
Business Law  
College Business Law  
College Accounting  
Finance  
Multimedia  
Animation and Video Media  
Fashion Marketing  
Marketing & Advertising  
Entertainment & Sports Marketing  
Video Game Marketing  
Business Management  
College Business Management  
College Marketing

### Computer Science

AP Computer Science A  
AP Computer Principles  
Advanced Programming – Java H  
Introduction to Visual Basic  
Advanced Visual Basic H  
Website Programming & Design

### English

English 9,10, 11, 12 R  
English 9,10, 10-11 H  
AP English Language

AP English Literature  
College Scene Study and Analysis  
Journalism  
Film Appreciation  
Myths & Legends  
Ethics in Print  
Culture of the Sixties  
Reading for Meaning  
Theater Arts I, II, III, IV  
Greece and Rome Rediscovered  
Creative Writing

### Health

Health  
College Essentials for a Healthy  
College Experience

### Mathematics

Math 3, 4  
Algebra R, H  
Algebra Support  
Algebra 2 R, H  
Algebra 2 Support  
Geometry R, H  
Geometry Support  
Introductory Calculus (Formerly Math 12R)  
AP Calculus – BC  
Calculus 1H  
AP Statistics  
Statistics through Sports  
Introduction to BC Calculus  
Mathematics Research H  
Mathematics Problem Solving

### Music

Concert Choir

Chamber Choir  
Women's Chorus  
Symphonic Band  
Orchestra  
Jazz Ensemble  
Wind Ensemble  
Wind Symphony  
Music Industry, Technology and Theory  
Music Theory  
AP Music Theory  
Vocal Jazz Ensemble  
Chamber Orchestra  
Marching Band

### Physical Education

Grades 9, 10, 11 and 12  
Adapted Physical Ed

### Science

Earth Science R  
Living Environment R, H  
Chemistry R, H  
Conceptual Chemistry  
Physics R, H  
AP Biology  
AP Chemistry  
AP Environmental Science  
AP Physics C: Mechanics  
AP Physics C: Electricity & Magnetism  
Freshmen Science Research 9H  
Science Research Seminar 1H  
Intermediate Science Research 2H  
Advanced Science Research 3H  
Oceanography  
Nutrition

Forensic Science  
Anatomy and Physiology  
College PLTW Design and Drawing for Production  
College PLTW Principles of Engineering  
College PLTW Computer Integrated Manufacturing  
College PLTW Civil Engineering and Architecture

### Social Studies

Greece and Rome Rediscovered  
Global History & Geography 9 R, H  
Global History & Geography 10 R  
AP World History  
U.S. History & Government 11 R  
AP U.S. History  
Economics  
AP European History  
Participation in Government  
Criminal Justice  
Introduction to Psychology  
AP Psychology  
AP Human Geography  
Long Island History  
AP Macroeconomics  
AP U.S. Government & Politics  
Sports in History  
Contemporary Global Issues

### World Language

Latin 1, 2 R, H  
College Latin 3, 4  
Spanish 2,3 R, H  
College Spanish 4, 5  
German 2,3 R, H  
College German 4,5  
Italian 2,3, R,H  
College Italian 4,5

### Special Programs

English as a New Language  
BOCES Vocational programs  
BOCES LIHSA (Long Island High School for the Arts)  
District Vocational programs  
Special Education

## College Entrance Examinations\*

SAT (12/2019)	School Mean	State Mean	National Mean
ERW	625	538	546
Math	626	544	557

ACT (2019)	School Mean	State Mean	National Mean
English	25.9	24.1	20.1
Math	25.2	24.1	20.4
Reading	26.7	25.0	21.2
Science	25.9	24.4	20.6
Composite	26.1	24.5	20.7

\*Results impacted by COVID-19





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## Members of the Class of 2020 Are Enrolled at the Following Colleges and Universities:

Adelphi University  
Amherst College  
Babson College  
Bentley University  
Boston College  
Boston University  
Bucknell University  
Clemson University  
Coastal Carolina University  
Colgate University  
College of Charleston  
College of the Holy Cross  
Connecticut College  
Cornell University  
Culinary Institute of America  
CUNY  
Hunter College  
John Jay College  
Queens College  
DePaul University  
Drexel University  
Elon University  
Emmanuel College  
Fairfield University  
Fashion Institute of Technology  
Five Towns College  
Fordham University  
Franklin & Marshall College  
George Washington University  
Georgetown University  
Georgia Institute of Technology  
Gettysburg College  
Hamilton College  
High Point University  
Hobart and William Smith Colleges  
Hofstra University  
Indiana University  
Iona College  
James Madison University  
Johns Hopkins University  
Juniata College  
Lafayette College  
Lehigh University

LIU Post  
Loyola University Maryland  
Marist College  
Maryland Institute College of Art  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
Molloy College  
Mount St. Mary's University  
Muhlenberg College  
Nassau Community College  
Nazareth College  
New York University  
Northeastern University  
Pace University  
Pennsylvania State University  
Pratt Institute  
Providence College  
Purdue University  
Quinnipiac University  
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute  
Rollins College  
Sacred Heart University  
Saint Mary's College  
Savannah College of Art and Design  
School of Visual Arts  
Siena College  
Southern Methodist University  
Springfield College  
St. John's University  
Stanford University  
Stevens Institute of Technology  
SUNY  
Alfred State College of Technology  
Binghamton University  
Cortland  
Delhi  
Farmingdale State College  
Geneseo  
Maritime College  
New Paltz  
Oneonta  
Stony Brook University  
University at Albany  
University at Buffalo

Syracuse University  
Temple University  
Texas Christian University  
The Catholic University of America  
The College of Saint Rose  
The Ohio State University  
Trinity College  
Universita Bocconi  
University of Connecticut  
University of Dayton  
University of Delaware  
University of Florida  
University of Georgia  
University of Mary Washington  
University of Maryland  
University of Massachusetts  
University of Miami  
University of Michigan  
University of Nebraska  
University of North Carolina  
University of Notre Dame  
University of Pennsylvania  
University of Pittsburgh  
University of Rhode Island  
University of Richmond  
University of Rochester  
University of Scranton  
University of South Carolina  
University of Southern California  
University of Tampa  
University of Tennessee  
University of Vermont  
University of Virginia  
University of Wisconsin  
Vassar College  
Villanova University  
Virginia Tech  
Wake Forest University  
Washington and Lee University  
Washington College  
Wesleyan College

### College Attendance

4-year college: 94%  
2-year college: 3.3%  
Other: 2.7% \*

\*Preparatory schools,  
military, adult services, or  
employment

*Due to COVID-19, admissions  
representatives are invited to  
conduct virtual visits outside  
the school day. If you are  
interested in participating,  
please call the Counseling  
Center at 516-478-2033.*

## Learning Through COVID-19

Due to COVID-19 remote learning in spring 2020, grades from quarters one to three were used as a baseline fourth-quarter grade, with available bonus points based on work completion. Semester courses utilized quarter three as a baseline fourth-quarter grade. Assignments for the fourth quarter were recorded as pass/fail. The final course grade was the average of all four quarters (two quarters for semester courses), with the addition of midterm exams. Garden City School District initiated a "do no harm" grading policy for all students. In the 2020-21 school year, students will be graded based on work completion, performance and assessment.