WELCOME PARENTS
CLASS OF 2023
RECOGNIZED AS A NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON
SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE 2017

Nanine McLaughlin, Principal
David Perrotta and Kevin Steingruebner, Assistant Principals
Art Department Video

- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L4XFQAI7tLE
The Art department provides students with outstanding Fine Arts experiences while introducing and preparing them for STEAM oriented careers. The new Media Arts courses align with the growing demand for students to be prepared for college and careers that focus on Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math. Drawing, painting, photography and sculpture courses allow students to express themselves using different mediums.

**AP Studio Art, Media Arts and Photography Pathways**

A 5-unit of credit of Art in a sequence provides a pathway towards earning a Regents Diploma.

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Music Department Video

- https://drive.google.com/file/d/1LkEfHPBlHcMNI32u04P2kZKQezbBoJIo/view?usp=sharing
Garden City High School offers a wide variety of creative outlets within its award winning Music Department. Through how organized sounds move and interrelate, the Garden City Public Schools music department strives to heighten, sustain, refine, and extend human emotional life while engaged in the struggle to create beauty.

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**After school ensembles:**
- Jazz Ensemble *
- Marching Band *
- Vocal Jazz *
- Chamber Orchestra *
- Marching Band *
- Jazz Ensemble *
- Vocal Jazz *

*Ensembles that meet outside of regular school hours and/or school days*
“Superior” Literary Magazine

English

LI Language Arts Council
First Place Writing Award
College Essay Writing
# English Department Courses

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# Social Studies Course Offerings – Ms. Balantic

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Mathematics

Flipped Classroom

Coding

Math Department Champion

GCHS Math Team Competition
Mathematics Options and Opportunities
- Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2 -- Math Support Classes Available
- AP Courses -- AP Calculus BC, AP Statistics, AP Computer Science
- Math 12
- Mathematics Research
- Statistics Through Sports
- Mathematical Problem Solving
- Math Team Competitions

Computer Science Coding Electives
- Web Design Programming
- Visual Basic
- Java
Freshmen Regents Courses

For students who take Science 8 in MS:
  • Earth Science Regents

For students who take Earth Science R in MS:
  • Living Environment Regents
  • Living Environment Honors (requires Summer Assignment)

Elective Courses:

For ALL freshmen interested in science:
  • Freshmen Science Research Honors (Annual Science Research Symposium HS Library May 29, 2019 at 7 pm)
  • College Engineering PLTW Design and Drawing for Production (first year of the 4 year program)
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World Languages

WL Honor Society Induction

AATSP Exam Honorees

Latin Exam Honorees

Italian club & Best Buddies - Celebrate Carnevale

Certamen Competition

Sprachfest Competition

NYS and LI-NYSAFLT FIRST place Scholarship Winner

Italian Exam Honorees

National German Exam Honorees
** These courses provide students with 1 HS credit, the final 8th grade average and credit appears on the student HS transcript and is included in the student’s HS GPA.

*As with any Honors/College Program, please be advised that these are rigorous courses.
**Graduation Information**
Students may use a 5-credit business sequence to fulfill graduation requirements. A business sequence will satisfy 5 CTE units for the Advanced Regents Diploma. Colleges and employers know that a student with this sequence has mastered many of the skills required for success in the business world.

**5-Credit Business Sequence**
Students will choose 5 credits of business classes to satisfy the 2nd and 3rd year requirement of a language sequence. Students will select from the following courses:

**Courses Available Grades 9-12-**  
*All Courses Can Be Taken for Honors Credit*

- Animation and Video Media  
- Automated Accounting  
- Business Law  
- Business Management  
- Entertainment and Sports Marketing  
- Fashion Marketing  
- Video Game Marketing  
- **Entrepreneurship**  
- **Finance**  
- **Marketing and Advertising**  
- **Multimedia**  
- **Course must be taken as part of a business sequence that satisfies the requirements for an Advanced Regents Diploma.**

**College Level Courses Available Grades 11 and 12**

- College Accounting I & II  
- College Business Law  
- College Business Management  
- College Marketing

**Teens on the Job**
One day job shadowing experience for selected 10th grade students.
“WE ARE GARDEN CITY”
Differences between Middle School and High School Sports, Ms. Cerrone

**MS = 4 sports seasons for 9 weeks**

**HS = 3 sports seasons for 15 weeks**

- HS Fall sports **ALWAYS** begin in **AUGUST** (Exact dates will be set soon)
- Student-Athletes **MUST BE HERE** all week for tryouts and practices in August. *Please make your summer plans accordingly.*
- High level of commitment: practices and contests are held 6 days a week and during all school holidays
- Conflicts? *Students must begin to make choices with their time and interests*
- **NEW-NYS Mandated Health Examination Form**
- Free physicals for sports are offered at the Middle School for Girls on June 3 and Boys on June 5 at 3:30 p.m.
- In addition: A Green Health History/Athletic Participation Contracts Form Must be brought on the first day of tryouts in August.
8th grade to 9th grade Sports Information Meeting:

- May 6, 2019 – 7:00 p.m. in the Middle School Cafeteria—full presentation of high school athletics program. All parents and student athletes should attend.

- Please call 478-2070 with any questions, Ms. Dawn Cerrone, District Director of Physical Education and Athletics

(See GCHS Website Athletic page for more information)
TRANSITION ACTIVITIES

- **Friday, January 25, 2019** 9:15 am- GCHS Library Media Center
  - GCHS PTA Meeting- Overview of Electives and Honors Placement Information- 8th grade parents invited.

- **Monday, February 4, 2019** 8th Grade Student Assembly
  - A student only assembly to review the 9th grade course offerings and registration procedures. Mr. Tumminello, Ms. Johnson and curriculum coordinators will review the course selection sheet which will be due to Mr. Tumminello by February 8th.
  - Action required-Course selection sheet due February 8.

- **Wednesday, February 6, 2019** – Grade 8 into 9 Scheduling Information Night, 7:00 – 8:30 pm. The program will take place in the High School Auditorium. Coordinators and school counselors will speak with grade 8 parents about 9th grade scheduling. There will be a special education /504, DSS, ENL presentation at the conclusion of the program.

- **Tuesday, April 30th** – 8th Grade Student and Parent Open House at 6:30 pm
  - High School Auditorium.
  - Action required -You will receive preliminary course selections/placements-Honors appeals due May 7, 2019
  - Learn about New York State High School graduation requirements
  - High school policies and procedures
  - Attend an activity fair
  - Tour the building

- **End of May 2019- You will receive FINAL Course Requests**
  - Action required- Notify GCHS of ERRORS only

- **Last week of August: Freshman Orientation**
  - 10am for students with last name A-L
  - 1pm for students with last name M-Z

- **First Few Weeks of September: Freshman Activities**
  - Assembly with Administration and breakout sessions with high school counselors
  - Freshman BBQ
  - Evening Freshman Parent Meeting