



# YORKTOWN HIGH SCHOOL

## PROFILE 2007-2008

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### Our Community

Yorktown Heights is a suburban residential town in Westchester County, 50 miles north of New York City. Our current population is over 37,000. Yorktown Central Schools serve almost one-half of this total with the remaining group attending the Lakeland District. The community has consistently supported education and strives to maintain a quality program for its children.

The enrollment in Grades 9 - 12 is 1365 with our current senior class numbering 335. Yorktown is accredited by the New York State Board of Regents and the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

Our High School community believes strongly that the primary focus of our school is to help students recognize and achieve their goals. We are committed to an educational program that promotes the intellectual, personal, and social growth of all students. Our curriculum is designed to meet the individual and varied needs of our students. We offer students a rigorous college preparatory program plus strong programs in Special Education, Business, and Occupational Education. Highlights of our curriculum include:

### Curriculum and Programs

• All students are required to take four years of **English**. These courses prepare students for post-secondary study by emphasizing language usage, composition, literature, speaking, and listening. English 11 students receive NYS Regents credit by taking the Regents Exam.

**Honors English** is offered to all grade levels 9 - 11. 20% of underclassmen are enrolled in honors English. In addition, approximately 26% of seniors are enrolled in **Advanced Placement English** or **Syracuse University Project Advance English**.

The fourth year of **English** is composed of quarterly electives which further refine students' abilities to master reading, writing, speaking, and listening skills. All students are required to take 1/4 of composition, including the writing of a major research paper in order to graduate. They must also pass three other quarterly elective courses such as **Crises of Conscience, Male/Female Stereotypes, Nature of Man, and Writing for Children**. The curriculum also includes electives in **TV Production, Journalism, Drama** and **Creative Writing**.

• **Mathematics** courses are geared to match students' abilities varying from **Algebra** to **AP Calculus BC**. All students are enrolled in the **NYS** integrated Regents Mathematics Program, which includes algebra, geometry, and trigonometry.

**Accelerated Honors** courses are available at each grade level. The enriched syllabus covers the NYS integrated regents curriculum on an intensive level and includes several additional topics. Students in this program are expected to take either the **AB or BC AP Calculus** exam in their last year. **AP Statistics** is offered to 12th graders.

• Our **Science** curriculum includes laboratory based **Earth Science, Biology, Chemistry, and Physics**. In addition all are offered at the honors level.

• **AP Biology, AP Environmental Science and AP Physics - C Mechanics** are available as well as **Syracuse University Project Advance/AP Chemistry and Syracuse University Project Advance Forensics**. Science electives include **Astronomy, Meteorology, and Forensics**.

• All **Social Studies** classes are designed to prepare students for the regents examinations in accordance with NYS standards. **SS 9 + 10** comprise a two year global studies curriculum culminating with a regents examination. **SS 11** offers a traditional study of American history, institutions, and heritage also culminating in a regents examination. **AP American History** and **AP Politics & Government** are offered to 11th and 12th graders. **SS 12** is comprised of 2 semesters of study: **Economics** and **Senior Senate**; a participatory citizenship program. **Civic Internship** is offered in lieu of **Senior Senate** and/or **Economics**. This course involves direct participation in community agencies and organizations dealing with public policy issues.

• **Spanish, Latin, French, and Italian** are presented at a variety of levels including college level through **SUNY Albany** and **AP French, Italian** and **Spanish**.

• **Fine Arts** department has a wide selection of electives culminating in **AP Studio Art** which requires a professional portfolio. Our Performing Arts opportunities include **Concert Band, Wind Ensemble, HS Orchestra, Chorus, Chamber Choir**, all of which are offered at honors level. Coursework includes **Music Theory, AP Music Theory, Music in Our Lives, Theatre Arts, and Drama**.

• Programs within the **Business Department** include: **Introduction To Business, Entrepreneurship, Small Business Ownership, Business Law and Sports Marketing**. **AP Microeconomics** and **AP Macroeconomics** are available as well.

• All students are required to complete 1 unit in **Computer Technology**. Specialized courses include **Computer Science, Computer Programming, Advanced Programming Concepts, Electronic Spreadsheet, Desktop Publishing, and AP Computer Science**.

• All students grade 9 - 12 are required to obtain .5 credit of **Physical Education** in each of the four years to qualify for graduation. In addition, students are required to take .5 credit in **Health**.

• In order to best support students' academic programs, Learning Center, Social Studies Skills, Math Lab, Writing Lab and Resource Room are available. Other program features include: Alternative HS, Northern Westchester BOCES Technical Center.

### Staff

Yorktown High School has a faculty of 121 including specialists. 103 faculty members have received a Masters Degree, and 2 have earned a doctorate.

## Grading and Weighting System

The transcript Grade Point Average (G.P.A.) is unweighted and weighted. All courses (passed, failed or repeated) are reported on the transcript and included in the GPA with the exception of: Physical Education, work experience and independent study. In determining decile placement a weighted GPA is used.

Honors classes, A.P. classes and college level courses are given additional weight (+.5).

Note: A/B = 1st semester/2nd semester  
SE = Special Education

### Grade Equivalents (as of Sept. 2001)

A+	97-100	4.2 - 4.3	C+	77-79	2.2 - 2.4
A	93-96	3.9 - 4.1	C	73-76	1.9 - 2.1
A-	90-92	3.5 - 3.8	C-	70-72	1.4 - 1.8
B+	87-89	3.2 - 3.4	D	65-69	1.0 - 1.3
B	83-86	2.9 - 3.1	F	Below 64	Less than 1.0
B-	80-82	2.5 - 2.8			

### National Merit Program

Finalists	1
Letters of Commendation	13

## DECILE PLACEMENT IN CLASS GPA RELATIONSHIP CLASS OF 2009

DECILE	GPA/RANGE
1 <sup>st</sup>	3.945 - 4.615
2 <sup>nd</sup>	3.697 - 3.921
3 <sup>rd</sup>	3.392 - 3.690
4 <sup>th</sup>	3.203 - 3.385
5 <sup>th</sup>	2.979 - 3.187
6 <sup>th</sup>	2.722 - 2.974
7 <sup>th</sup>	2.516 - 2.721
8 <sup>th</sup>	2.292 - 2.511
9 <sup>th</sup>	1.700 - 2.239
10 <sup>th</sup>	0.995 - 1.681

Median GPA (weighted) - 2.977

Mean GPA (weighted) - 2.917

Total Number of Students Ranked - 330

# Our Class of 2008

### College Admissions Testing Program

ACT	# Tested = 111
English	24.8
Math	25.9
Reading	25.1
Science	24.5
Composite	25.2

SAT I	# Tested	75th	50th	25th	Mean
Cr. Reading	299	600	540	470	538
Math	299	640	570	500	573
Writing	299	610	540	470	540

SAT II	# Tested	Mean
US History	40	623
Biology-E	18	648
Biology-M	36	685
Chemistry	14	651
English Literature	23	625
Math IC	38	669
Math IIC	28	721
Physics	6	738

### Advanced Placement Testing

Test	# students tested
Biology	17
Calculus A/B	31
Calculus B/C	8
Chemistry	7
Computer Science A	7
Economics/Macro	121
Economics/Micro	40
English Lang/Comp	10
English Lit/Comp	70
Environmental Science	55
French Lang.	13
Government & Politics	49
Italian Language	12
Music Theory	5
Physics- C Mechanics	18
Physics B	2
Spanish Language	14
Statistics	6
U.S. History	41

78% of grades were 3 or better.

### Post Secondary Plans

308 out of a graduating class of 325 continued their education	95%
% attending 4 year college	77%
% attending 2 year college	18%

### Graduate Placement

Students from the class of 2008 were accepted in excellent colleges. This list represents the majority of colleges accepting students from this class.

- Azusa Pacific University • Baran Institute of Technology • Barry U. • Bennington College • Boston U. • Brandeis • Bryant University • Bucknell • Buffalo State College • Case Western Reserve University • Cazenovia • Cedarville University • City College • City University of NY • Clinton Comm College • Colby College • Colby-Sawyer College • College of Charleston • Colorado College • Columbia U. • Concordia U. • Connecticut College • Cornell University • Drew University • Duke University • East Carolina University • Elon University • Emerson College • Emmanuel College • Fairfield University • Fordham • Franklin & Marshall College • Gettysburg College • Green Mountain College • Hartwick College • Hofstra University • Hunter College • Illinois Institute of Technology • Indiana University • Iona College • Ithaca College • James Madison • Johnson & Wales University • Kenyon College • Laboratory Institute of Merchandising • Lasell College • Le Moyne College • Lehigh University • Long Island University • Loyola College • Manhattan College • Manhattanville College • Marymount Manhattan College • McGill University • Mercy College • Middlesex County College • Mitchell College • Mt. St. Mary College • Muhlenberg College • NYU • Northeastern University • Oberlin College • Pace University • Palm Beach Atlantic University • Penn State University • Princeton University • Purchase College • Quinnipiac University • Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute • Rice University • RIT • Roger Williams University • Sacred Heart • Saint Michael's College • Salisbury University • Siena College • Skidmore College • Smith College • St. John's University • St. Thomas Aquinas College • SUNY: Albany • Alfred • Binghamton • Buffalo • Canton • Cobleskill • Cortland • Delhi • Fredonia • Geneseo • Institute of Tech @ Utica/Rome • Maritime • New Paltz • Oneonta • Oswego • Plattsburgh • Potsdam • Stony Brook • Westchester Comm • Catholic University of America • College of Westchester • Culinary Institute of America • University of Alabama • University of Scranton • Towson University • Trinity College • Tufts University • Union College • University of California • University of Connecticut • University of Delaware • University of Maryland • University of Massachusetts • U. of Michigan • University of New Hampshire • Notre Dame • U Penn • URI • Washington & Lee • Wayne State • Wentworth Institute of Technology • Wesley • Wesleyan • Western New England • Williams • York College of PA • York College of the CUNY •