

# VERNON HILLS HIGH SCHOOL

## 2020-2021 Profile



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The Mission of Community High School District 128 is to develop graduates who are DARING:

**Dreamers and Doers**  
**Aware**  
**Resilient and Healthy**  
**Inquisitive**  
**Nimble**  
**Global**

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## School and Community

- Four-year comprehensive high school located 40 miles north of Chicago in Lake County.
- Community High School District 128, with Libertyville High School, was named the #2 overall school district in Illinois and in the U.S. in the 2019 Best Schools ranking by Niche.com.
- *U.S. News & World Report* ranks VHHS 15th among Illinois high schools, and in the top 2% of all public high schools nationally in its 2019 Best High School Report.
- VHHS is a 2010 recipient of the U.S. Department of Education National Blue Ribbon of Excellence Award.

## COVID-19 Statement

On March 16, 2020, District 128 adopted a remote learning model due to the COVID -19 pandemic. Adhering to the directive from the Illinois State Board of Education's mandate to do "no educational harm to any child," students could improve, but not lower, their grade held on the last day of in-person instruction for Spring Semester 2020. No final exams were given. District 128 continues to be remote at the beginning of the 2020-2021 school year but our normal grading procedure has resumed. During eSchool, we are utilizing a modified block schedule, with 75-minute class times.

| Enrollment   |              | Demographics               |     |                                   |      |
|--------------|--------------|----------------------------|-----|-----------------------------------|------|
| Freshman     | 410          | White                      | 57% | Multi-racial/ethnic               | 3%   |
| Sophomores   | 379          | Asian/ Pacific Islander    | 22% | American Indian or Alaskan Native | 2%   |
| Juniors      | 395          | Hispanic/Latino            | 14% | Black or African American         | 2%   |
| Seniors      | 391          | Emergent Multilingual      |     |                                   | 3.5% |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>1,575</b> | Free/Reduced Lunch Program |     |                                   | 10%  |

## Graduation Requirements

|  |                   |
|--|-------------------|
| English  | 4.0 credits       |
| Mathematics  | 3.0 credits       |
| Social Studies   | 2.0 credits       |
| -Government  | 0.5 credits       |
| -U.S. History  | 1.0 credits       |
| -Soc. Studies Elective   | 0.5 credits       |
| International Language Arts, Fine & Performing Arts, or Career & Technical Education | 1.0 credits       |
| Consumer Education   | 0.5 credits       |
| Driver Education   | 0.5 credits       |
| Health Education   | 0.5 credits       |
| Physical Education   | 4.0 credits       |
| <b>Total Credits</b>   | <b>22 credits</b> |

## Academic Calendar, Class Rank & Disciplinary Records

- Vernon Hills High School is typically on a 2-semester system with an 8-period day.
- Class rank is not computed for students in District 128.
- Student disciplinary records are not shared with post-secondary institutions.

## Grading System

| Regular GPA |     | Honors GPA |     | Advanced Placement GPA |     |
|-------------|-----|------------|-----|------------------------|-----|
| A           | 4.0 | A          | 4.5 | A                      | 5.0 |
| B           | 3.0 | B          | 3.5 | B                      | 4.0 |
| C           | 2.0 | C          | 2.5 | C                      | 3.0 |
| D           | 1.0 | D          | 1.5 | D                      | 2.0 |
| F           | 0.0 | F          | 0.0 | F                      | 0.0 |

## Transcript Codes

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| <b>EX</b> | Exempt, no credit awarded  |
| <b>I</b>  | I Incomplete, no credit awarded  |
| <b>MX</b> | Medically excused, no credit awarded   |
| <b>NG</b> | No Grade (Audit), no credit awarded  |
| <b>P</b>  | Credit received for A, B, C or D, not computed in GPA  |
| <b>R</b>  | Repeated transcript for grade, no credit awarded. Original grade does not show on transcript |
| <b>W</b>  | Withdraw, no credit awarded, not computed into GPA   |
| <b>WF</b> | Withdraw/Failing, computed into GPA  |

Weighted and unweighted GPAs are computed at the end of fall, spring, and summer semesters. Calculations are based on semester grades from all courses except Driver Education. Honors and AP grades are calculated on the weighted grading system above.

# Advanced (Weighted) Curriculum

VHHS offers a college preparatory curriculum including 20 Honors and 27 Advanced Placement courses. Enrollment is open to all students.

|  |  |   |   |
|--|--|---|---|
| <b>English</b><br>Freshman Literature & Composition Honors<br>Honors Literature & Composition Gr10<br>World Literature & Composition Honors<br>AP English Language & Composition<br>AP English Literature & Composition<br>AP Research<br>AP Seminar | <b>Science</b><br>Honors Biology, Chemistry<br>AP Biology<br>AP Chemistry<br>AP Environmental Science<br>AP Physics I<br>AP Physics I & II<br>AP Physics C | <b>International Languages</b><br>Honors French II, III, & IV<br>Honors German II,III,IV<br>Honors Spanish III, IV, & Spanish for Heritage Speakers<br>AP French<br>AP German<br>AP Spanish | <b>Fine Arts</b><br>AP Music Theory<br>AP Portfolio                             |
| <b>Social Studies</b><br>AP European History<br>AP Government<br>AP Human Geography<br>AP Macroeconomics<br>AP Psychology<br>AP U.S. History<br>AP World History   | <b>Mathematics</b><br>Honors: Algebra II, Calculus Topics, Geometry, Precalculus<br>AP Calculus AB<br>AP Calculus BC<br>AP Statistics                      | <b>Computer Science</b><br>Honors Computer Science<br>AP Computer Science Principles<br>AP Computer Science A<br>Advanced Topics in Computer Science Honors                                 | <b>Career &amp; Technical Education</b><br>Honors Advanced Accounting, Yearbook |

## Testing

### Advanced Placement

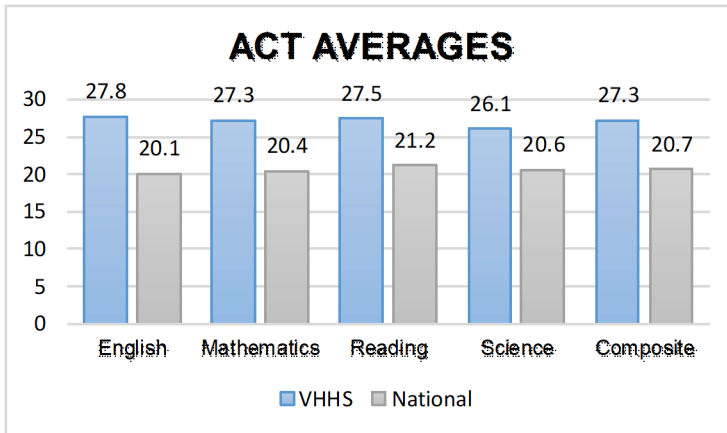
| CLASS OF | STUDENTS TAKING AP EXAMS | TOTAL EXAMS TAKEN | AP SUBJECTS OFFERED | AP SCHOLARS OVERALL |
|----------|--------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 2020     | 807                      | 1,784             | 26                  | 117                 |
| 2019     | 808                      | 1,785             | 27                  | 116                 |
| 2018     | 690                      | 1,496             | 26                  | 250                 |

### National Merit

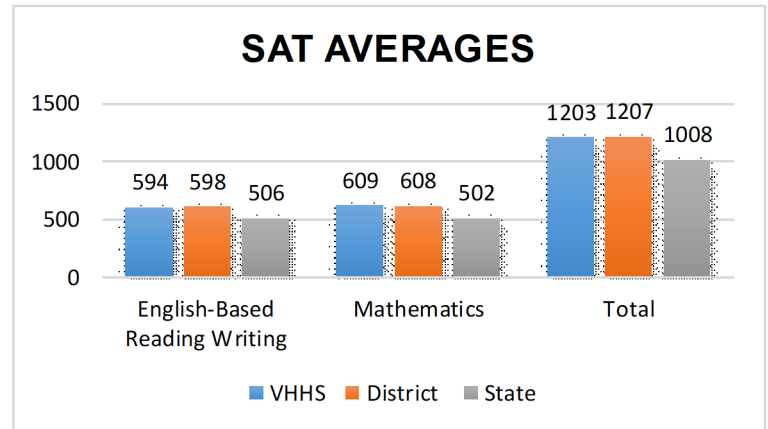
| CLASS OF | CLASS SIZE | FINALIST | COMMENDED |
|----------|------------|----------|-----------|
| 2020     | 353        | 7        | 22        |
| 2019     | 345        | 7        | 21        |
| 2018     | 318        | 6        | 16        |

### ACT and SAT Result

236 Class of 2019 VHHS students took the ACT



350 Class of 2019 VHHS students took the SAT



## Class of 2019 College Statistics

### 345 Seniors\*

97% College-Bound  
 79% Four-Year College  
 18% Two-Year College

47% In-State  
 53% Out-of-State and Out of U.S.

82% Midwest  
 18% Outside Midwest

Attended 112 different institutions in 35 different states and 1 in Europe.

\*does not include Transition/Outplaced Students.

### TOP COLLEGES ATTENDED BY THE CLASS OF 2019

(In order)

- |  |                                       |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| College of Lake County                       | University of Wisconsin (Madison)     |
| University of Illinois at Urbana — Champaign | University of Missouri (Columbia)     |
| Illinois State University                    | Bradley University                    |
| Indiana University (Bloomington)             | DePaul University                     |
| Purdue University                            | Marquette University                  |
| University of Illinois at Chicago            | Western Michigan University           |
| The University of Iowa                       | Saint Louis University                |
| Loyola University Chicago                    | University of Minnesota (Twin Cities) |
| Northwestern University                      |                                       |