

Grade Point Average

GPA will be calculated for the foundation courses as follows:

- 4 - Language Arts courses
- 4 - Science courses (1 each/Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and 1 additional course)
- 4 - Social Studies courses
- 4 - Math courses (highest 8 semesters)
- 2 - World Language (highest 4 semesters of same course)

GPA foundation courses will be calculated whether the student took the class during the regular school year, in summer school, by correspondence, by course exam, or by dual enrollment.

GPA and rank are calculated on a 4-point scale with a 1-point bonus for IB, Honors, AP, and Dual credit classes. Only 18 (36 semesters) academic foundation courses are used in the calculation. Only courses taken during 9th through 12th grade will be computed in a student's GPA. Earned GPA from courses completed within the prescribed 18 is used to rank students through the 6th & 7th semesters. Highest GPA in the present senior class is 5.0.

Grade Points Earned

No. Grade	Letter Grade	Regular	Honors/AP/IB
90-100	A	4	5
80-89	B	3	4
70-79	C	2	3
Below 70	F	0	0
Passing Grade: 70			

SAT Composite Scores Averages

U.S.	1045
Texas	1020
Denton High School	1109

ACT Composite Scores Averages

U.S.	20.6
Texas (2021)	20.3
Denton High School	20.4

College Placement

Approximately 60% of our graduates will go on to higher education. Denton High graduates will continue their formal education with 32% attending four-year institutions and 28% going on to community colleges and technical schools, and 2% entering the armed services.

National Merit

The senior class of 2023 has one National Merit Finalist, three National Hispanic Recognition Program Scholars, three National African American Recognition Program Scholars, twenty-three AP Scholars, three AP Scholars with Honors, and three AP Scholars with Distinction.

COVID-19 Policy

Spring 2020- Grades awarded in Spring 2020 were based on completed Quarter three marking period.

2020-2021- During the 2020-21 school year, students could elect to attend school either for in-person learning or virtual learning.

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Joel Hays, Principal

Scott Nedrow, Instructional Associate Principal

Matt Smith, Assistant Principal (A-C)

LaShawn Brock, Assistant Principal (D-H)

Erika Simon, Assistant Principal (I-N)

Tony Peters, Assistant Principal (O-R)

Mark Goggins, Assistant Principal (S-Z)

Jennifer Cannon, Counselor (A-C)

Blair Polly, Counselor (D-H)

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Sandra Medrano, Counselor (S-Z)

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Crystal Sullivan, IB Coordinator/Advisor

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Dr. Scott Niven, Deputy Superintendent

Dr. Lacey Rainey, Denton Zone Area Superintendent

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PROFILE 2022 - 2023

Mission Statement

Denton High School, in partnership with the home and community, is dedicated to the development of knowledgeable, compassionate individuals who actively and ethically contribute to the betterment of our world.

By providing challenging and educational experiences that encourage cooperation, creativity, and intercultural understanding, DHS aims to create life-long learners who embrace the diversity of others.

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The School

Description: A public comprehensive four-year secondary school offering programs in college preparatory, career & technology, English as a second language and special education. In August 2022 DHS relocated to a new building comprising 530,000 square feet on 153 acres of land. This new facility offers more security and state of the art learning opportunities for students.

Enrollment: 2021-2022 school year finished with a total of 1916 students and a 2023 senior class of 461.

Demographics: Hispanic or Latino 38%, American Indian & Alaska Native 1%, Asian 4%, Black or African American 14%, Native Hawaiian & other Pacific Islander 1%, White 41%.

School Day: Total of eight credit-earning classes; six classes of 90-minutes each—meeting on alternate days, and two classes of 55-minutes each—meeting every day (officially referred to as a modified block schedule).

Accreditation: Fully granted by the Texas Education Agency and the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

Faculty: The faculty consists of 242 professional staff, including a principal, one associate principal and five instructional principals, five counselors, one career counselor, one impact counselor and one social worker. More than 45% of faculty hold advanced degrees.

Dual/Concurrent Enrollment Courses: Available through the University of North Texas, Texas Woman’s University and North Central Texas College. College Math, Economics, US History, US Government, and English classes. These classes are also available on campus.

<https://sites.google.com/g.dentonisd.org/dhsdualcredit/dc-home?authuser=0>

The International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme

The IB Diploma Programme is a challenging two-year course of study designed to meet the needs of highly motivated and talented high school students. It provides students with the intellectual, social, and critical perspective necessary for the international world. Texas Senate Bill 111 (2005) awards Texas seniors earning the IB Diploma with scores of 4 or better a total of 24 semester credit hours at any Texas public institution of higher education.

In 2022, DHS had 19 full Diploma senior candidates, with 16 earning the IB diploma. In addition, 68 course-only students and 13 anticipated candidates completed a total of 257 exams.

General Information

Denton ISD: ‘A fast-growing community’

Located at the top of the “golden triangle” of the Dallas-Fort Worth area, Denton ISD is the second-fastest growing school district in North Texas. Denton’s unique “small town community” environment separates it from the growing, larger suburban school districts within the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex.

With two universities and a community college—University of North Texas, Texas Woman’s University and North Central Texas College—within its boundaries, Denton ISD is able to offer the highest quality academic programs. However, it maintains a small-school climate so students can develop stronger leadership skills.

In 2006, the district opened a state-of-the-art LaGrone Advanced Technology Complex for juniors and seniors. In 2016, Denton ISD opened its fourth comprehensive high school.

Denton ISD encompasses 180 square miles and is part of 15 cities and communities. The community support is vital to students as they prepare for life post-high school.

Curriculum

The graduation requirement at Denton High is 26 credits (See chart below).

Students must also pass a state proficiency examination (EOC) in English I & II, Algebra I, Biology, and US History to receive a diploma. Identified gifted students are served in high school through advanced coursework options.

Honors/MYP International Baccalaureate Courses

English A I & II, World Geography/Humanities, Biology, Chemistry, Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry, Precalculus, French B II & III, German B II & III, Latin II & III, Spanish B II & III, Art I

Advanced Placement Courses

English III & IV, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Environmental Science, World History, U. S. History, U. S. Government, Macro-Economics, Statistics, Calculus AB & BC, Computer Science A, French Language, German Language, Latin, Spanish Language, Art Drawing, 2-D, 3-D, Music Theory, Psychology

IB Diploma Courses

English Lang & Lit A HL, Spanish B SL & HL, French B SL & HL, German B SL, Latin SL, English B, History of the Americas HL, Biology SL & HL, Chemistry SL, Physics SL, Environmental Systems and Societies SL, Computer Science SL & HL, Math: Applications and Interpretations SL, Math: Analysis and Approaches SL, Music SL & HL, Dance SL & HL, Art SL & HL, Film SL & HL, Theater SL & HL, Theory of Knowledge

Credits by Subject Area	Foundation + Endorsement Plan	Endorsements Offered
English	4	Arts and Humanities
Mathematics (including Alg I, Geometry, Alg II)	4	Business and Industry
Science (including Biology, Chemistry, Physics)	4	Public Service
World Geography	1	STEM
World History	1	Multidisciplinary Studies
US History	1	
US Government	.5	
Economics	.5	State Testing (EOC)
Professional Communications (Speech)	.5	Algebra I
Physical Education	1	Biology
Fine Arts (Art, Music, Theater, Dance)	1	English I
World Language	2 (same language)	English II
Electives	5.5	US History
Total Credits	26	