



LAKELAND CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT WALTER PANAS HIGH SCHOOL



PROFILE OF THE CLASS OF 2021

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LAKELAND CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MISSION STATEMENT

The Lakeland Central School District accepts the challenge of preparing students for a rapidly changing world. We provide the opportunity for all students to learn and succeed by promoting critical thinking and high academic standards in a safe and secure environment. Our practices and policies are shaped by: respect, kindness, responsibility, accountability and honest and ethical behavior.

ACCEPTANCES AT COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES, AND TECHNICAL SCHOOLS 2018-2020

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| Adelphi University | Iona College | Springfield College | State University of New York |
| Albright College | Iowa State University | Stetson University | University Centers |
| Alfred University | Ithaca College | Stevens Institute of Technology | Albany |
| American University | James Madison University | Stockton University | Binghamton |
| Arizona State University | Johnson & Wales University | Suffolk University | Buffalo |
| Bard College | Kean University | Susquehanna University | Environmental Science & Forestry |
| Bentley University | Keene State College | Swarthmore College | Stony Brook |
| Boston College | Lafayette College | Syracuse University | |
| Boston University | LaSalle University | Temple University | SUNY Colleges |
| Bowdoin College | Lehigh University | Towson University | Brockport |
| Brown University | LeMoyne College | Tulane University | Buffalo State |
| Bucknell University | Liberty University | Union College | Cortland |
| Bryant University | LIM College | Unity College | Farmingdale |
| California State University, Fresno | L.I.U. Post | U.S. Coast Guard Academy | Fredonia |
| Case Western Reserve University | Loyola University | University of Alabama | Geneseo |
| Carnegie Mellon University | Manhattan College | University of Arizona | Maritime |
| Catholic University of America | Manhattanville College | University of California | New Paltz |
| Central Connecticut State | Marist College | University of Central Florida | Old Westbury |
| Champlain College | Marymount Manhattan College | University of Colorado @ Boulder | Oneonta |
| Clark University | Massachusetts College-Liberal Arts | University of Connecticut | Oswego |
| Clarkson University | Mercy College | University of Delaware | Plattsburgh |
| Clemson University | Michigan State University | University of Florida | Polytechnic Institute |
| Coastal Carolina University | Mitchell College | University of Hartford | Potsdam |
| Colgate University | Monmouth University | University of Kentucky | Purchase |
| College of Mt. Saint Vincent | Montclair State University | University of Maine | |
| College of New Jersey | Mount Saint Mary College | University of Maryland | SUNY Technology |
| College of Saint Rose | Muhlenberg College | University of Mary Washington | Alfred |
| College of Westchester | Nazareth College | University of Massachusetts | Canton |
| College of William and Mary | New England College | University of Miami | Cobleskill |
| Colorado State University | New Jersey Institute of Technology | University of Michigan | Delhi |
| Concordia College | The New School | University of Nebraska | Farmingdale |
| Connecticut College | New York Inst. of Technology | University of Nevada | Fashion Inst. of Tech. |
| Culinary Institute of America | New York University | University of New England | Morrisville |
| Curry College | North Carolina State University | University of New Hampshire | Community Colleges |
| Dartmouth College | Northeastern University | University of New Haven | Broome |
| Denison University | Nova Southeastern University | University of North Carolina | Dutchess |
| Drew University | Ohio State University | University of Notre Dame | Genesee |
| Drexel University | Pace University | University of Pennsylvania | Herkimer |
| Duquesne University | Pennsylvania State University | University of Pittsburgh | Hudson Valley |
| Duke University | Post University | University of Rhode Island | Mohawk Valley |
| East Carolina University | Pratt Institute | University of Richmond | Nassau |
| East Stroudsburg University | Princeton University | University of Rochester | Orange County |
| Eastern Florida State College | Providence College | University of Scranton | Tompkins Cortland |
| Elizabethtown College | Purdue University | University of South Carolina | Westchester |
| Elmira College | Quinnipiac University | University of South Florida, Tampa | |
| Emory University | Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute | University of Tampa | City University of New York |
| Fairfield University | Ringling College of Art & Design | University of Texas, Austin | Baruch College |
| Fairleigh Dickinson University | Roanoke College | University of Vermont | Borough of Manhattan Com. College |
| Florida Institute of Technology | Rochester Inst. of Technology | University of Virginia | Bronx Community College |
| Florida International University | Roger Williams University | University of Wisconsin | Brooklyn College |
| Florida State University | Rutgers University | Utica College | City College of NY CUNY |
| Fordham University | Sacred Heart University | Vassar College | City University of NY |
| Furman University | St. John's University | Villanova University | CUNY NY City College of Tech. |
| Georgetown University | St. Lawrence University | Virginia Military Institute | Hunter College |
| George Washington University | St. Michael's College | Virginia Tech | John Jay College |
| Georgia Institute of Technology | St. Thomas Aquinas College | Wagner College | Lehman College |
| Georgia State University | Salisbury University | Wentworth Institute of Technology | Macaulay Honors College |
| Goucher College | Salve Regina University | Wesleyan University | Medger Evans College |
| Hamilton College | Savannah College of Art & Design | West Chester Univ. of Pennsylvania | Queens College |
| Hartwick College | School of Visual Arts | West Texas A&M University | York College |
| Harvard College | Seattle Pacific University | West Virginia University | |
| Hawaii Pacific University | Seton Hall University | Western CT State University | |
| High Point University | Siena College | Western New England College | |
| Hobart William Smith College | Skidmore College | Wilkes University | |
| Hofstra University | Southern Connecticut State Univ. | Xavier University | |
| Howard University | | York College of Pennsylvania | |
| Indiana University | | | |

SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY

Walter Panas High School is a comprehensive, four-year public secondary school within the Lakeland Central School District. Located in Cortlandt Manor, NY, with a total population of 941 students in grades 9-12, and a senior class of 255 students, Walter Panas High School is one of two high schools that constitute the largest suburban school district in Westchester County. Along with its sister school, Lakeland High School, Walter Panas High School attracts a culturally diverse and talented student body from over 40 square miles in northern Westchester.

Accredited by the Board of Regents of the University of the State of New York, Walter Panas High School boasts a rich variety of academic offerings, ranging from AP and Honors level coursework to programs for the disabled population. Students are encouraged, in conjunction with the combined efforts of parents, teachers and counselors, to pursue the most appropriately challenging academic level en route to becoming life-long learners. Students are similarly encouraged to become active members of the school community through participation in Walter Panas' extensive athletic and co-curricular offerings.

CLASS OF 2020 STATISTICS

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| Senior Class | 200 students |
| Graduation rate | 93.5% |
| Post-graduation plans | |
| Attending 4-year College | 66% |
| Attending 2-year College | 22% |
| Employment | 3% |
| Military | 1% |
| Other | 8% |

*1 National Merit Finalist and Scholarship Award Recipient
3 National Merit Commended Scholars*

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

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| English* | 4 credits |
| Social Studies* | 4 credits |
| Science* | 3 credits |
| Mathematics* | 3 credits |
| Foreign Language | 1 credit |
| Art and/or Music | 1 credit |
| Physical Education | 2 credits |
| Health | .5 credit |
| Electives | 3.5 credits |
| Total | 22 credits |

*These subject areas carry additional NY State Regents exam testing requirements.

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

In addition to the core Regents (Reg) level courses, in 2020-21, Walter Panas High School offers Honors, Advanced Placement (AP) and college credit courses in the following areas:

English: Honors English 9 & 10, AP English Language, AP English Literature, English 120 College Writing—Honors (college credit)

Science: Honors Living Environment (Biology), Honors Chemistry, AP Environmental Science, AP Chemistry, AP Biology, AP Physics 1 & 2, Science Research (college credit)

Social Studies: Pre-AP World History, AP World History, AP US History and Government, AP Human Geography, AP Macroeconomics/Politics, AP Psychology, SUPA Sports Management (college credit), SUPA Sociology (college credit)

Mathematics: Honors Algebra 2/Trig, Honors Geometry, Honors Pre-Calculus AB & BC, Calculus (college credit), AP Calculus AB & BC, AP Statistics, College Algebra: F&M (college credit)

Please note that the NYS Regents Exam in Algebra 2 is not required of our students. WPHS follows the traditional Algebra 2 curriculum that includes Trigonometry in order to best prepare students for higher level math and science courses.

Foreign Language: Honors Spanish 4 (college credit), Honors Italian 4 (college credit), Honors Italian 5 (college credit), AP Spanish, AP Spanish Literature

Career & Technical Education, Art & Music: Accounting (college credit), Business Ownership & Marketing (college credit), Business Law (college credit), AP Computer Science A, AP Studio Art, AP Music Theory

CLASS OF 2021 GPA & SAT/ACT PROFILE

This includes grading and testing through June 2020.

GPA/255 SENIORS

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| Unweighted GPA range | 99.28-65.12 |
| Unweighted average GPA | 87.23 |

SAT

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| Evidence Based Reading & Writing mean score | 593 |
| Mathematics mean score | 594 |

Subject Tests

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| Math I/II mean score | 625/550 |
| Biology Molecular/Chemistry mean score | 580/620 |
| World History mean score | 545 |

ACT

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| Mean composite score | 23 |
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*1 National Merit Semi-Finalist
2 National Merit Commended Scholars*

2020 ADVANCED PLACEMENT SUMMARY

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| Number of students writing exams | 269 |
| Number of exams | 488 |
| Students earning a score of 3 or better | 67% |
| Students earning a score of 4 or 5 | 38% |
| AP Scholars (2020) | 42 |
| AP Scholars with Honor (2020) | 9 |
| AP Scholars with Distinction (2020) | 12 |
| National AP Scholar (2020) | 3 |

FACULTY

Walter Panas High School has a professional staff that includes 77 full and part time teaching faculty, five school counselors, two school social workers, three school psychologists and one student assistance counselor. The average general education class size is approximately 22 students. School counselors work comprehensively with students in grades 9-12 for all four years.

GRADING POLICY AND CLASS RANK

Due to the Spring 2020 COVID-19 related school closure, WPHS adopted an adjusted grading system for the fourth quarter (April-June) to support students during the remote learning model.

Grades are earned on a numerical scale from 0-100, with final grades reflecting an average of a student's four quarterly grades and the end-of-year final and/or regents examination. Student transcripts are a record of the student's best performance in courses completed through the end of the sixth semester, as well as a listing of senior year courses in progress.

NOTE: Students are not ranked. Both an unweighted and weighted cumulative GPA are provided on the student transcript. A weighted cumulative GPA is calculated based upon the following values: Honors = plus 4 pts., AP = plus 5 pts. Courses with college credit agreements are given Honors weight.

The following represents the sixth semester unweighted GPA distribution for the class of 2021:

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| 100 - 95 | 33 students | 79.9 - 75 | 24 students |
| 94.9 - 90 | 72 students | 74.9 - 70 | 11 students |
| 89.9 - 85 | 74 students | 69.9 - 65 | 1 student |
| 84.9 - 80 | 39 students | | |