



# Franklin High School

## High School Profile 2020-2021

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### The School Community

Franklin High School (FHS), originally opened in 1961 and in its new location in 2005, is a four-year, comprehensive high school located within Somerset, in Franklin Township. The township is in the heart of Somerset County, New Jersey. It is bordered on the south by the town of Princeton, and on the north by New Brunswick. The community is primarily residential with areas devoted to manufacturing.

Recognizing that all students have unique learning styles and educational objectives, FHS provides its students with a broad scope and depth of educational opportunities including honors and advanced placement course work, vocational training through the Somerset County Technical School, and dual enrollment in local colleges or universities (Princeton University and Raritan Valley Community College). Through such endeavors, students are viewed as valuable members of the larger community. The student population of the Franklin Township Schools is rich in its cultural and ethnic diversity with over 97% of the students self-identified as students of color.

- Enrollment Grades 9-12: 2,107
- Number of Seniors: 549

### Faculty

- Total of 203 faculty members.
- All faculty are certified teachers with two-fifths holding advanced degrees.
- Student-teacher ratio is 12-1
- Average class size is 18 students.

### Calendar

- Four marking periods with a total of 184 school days.
- Classes meet for 59 minutes over three days in a four day drop rotation schedule

### Co-Curricular

- There are more than 60 sporting, cultural, service, and pre-professional clubs and activities to choose from including: Model United Nations, JROTC, and Robotics Club.
- Varsity and Junior Varsity athletic teams compete locally with the Skyland Conference and the NJSIAA.

### Graduation Requirements

One Hundred Twenty (120) credits are required for graduation, with five credits earned for each full-year course. Students may fulfill graduation requirements in whole or in part through a program of study that meets or exceeds the Core Curriculum Content Standards (Option II). This may include college course work, internships and community service. In addition, students must demonstrate a mastery of skills on the NJSLA, a Substitute Competency Test, or meet the criteria of the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal. Specific credit requirements follow:

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| • English                                  | 20   |
| • Mathematics                              | 15 (including Algebra I and Geometry)          |
| • Science                                  | 15 (including Biology, Chemistry, and Physics) |
| • United States History                    | 10   |
| • World History                            | 5  |
| • Classical or World Language              | 5, or demonstration of proficiency             |
| • Physical Education/Health                | 5 for every year of enrollment                 |
| • Visual, Fine and Performing Art          | 5  |
| • 21st Century Life & Career and Technical | 5  |
| • Financial Literacy                       | 2.5  |
| • Elective Courses                         | 17.5   |

## Advanced Placement

Franklin High School is committed to the AP program and offers 22 AP subjects. Franklin High School students are not limited on the number of AP courses that they may take each year.

AP	AP Profile	2019-2020	2018-2019	2017-2018
	Number of Exams	715	597	633
	Percentage 3 or above	62	65	63.6
	Number of Students	369	312	302
	AP Scholars	47	43	46
	AP Scholars with Honors	15	10	11
	AP Scholars with Distinction	27	23	29
	National AP Scholar	4	5	8

## Scholastic Aptitude Test

Mid 50th percentile for the past three years. Beginning in 2017, scores reflect averages for that graduation cohort

SAT		2020	2019	2018
	Evidence-Based Reading & Writing	528	514	522
	Mathematics	540	521	533
	Writing			
	Total	1068	1034	1056

## National Merit Scholars

	2021	2020	2019
Commended	6	4	6
Semifinalist		1	2
Finalist		1	1

## Class Rank and Grade Point Average

GPA	Grade	Regular	Honors	Advanced Placement
	A	90-100	+5	+10
	B	80-89	+5	+10
	C	70-79	+5	+10
	D	60-69	+5	+10
	F	59 and below		

- Grade scale effective September 2018
- Prior to September 2018, the passing grade was 67%
- During remote learning (March 16-June 23, 2020), student work was assessed on a 4 point grading system that was used to provide a portion of the MP 3 grade and MP 4 grade during the 2019-2020 school year.

- Franklin High School calculates GPA beginning with 0.0 and having no ceiling.
  - The highest GPA in the Class of 2021 is **103.2131**
- GPA is calculated based on all course work completed and earning a final numerical course average.
- Grades are weighted.
- GPA is calculated once a year based on year-end course grades.
- All courses taken at FHS are used in calculating the GPA.
- Franklin High School ranks. The student with the highest cumulative grade point average is ranked first in his/her class.
- Franklin High School has three levels of Honor Roll
  - Principal's Honor Roll– grades of 97 or higher
  - Distinguished Honor Roll– grades 91 to 96
  - Honor Roll– grades of 80 to 90
- Franklin High School has four-marking periods and a final examination. Each marking period accounts for 22% and the final exams accounts for 12% of the final course grade average.

## Class of 2020

### College Admission and Post-Secondary Plans

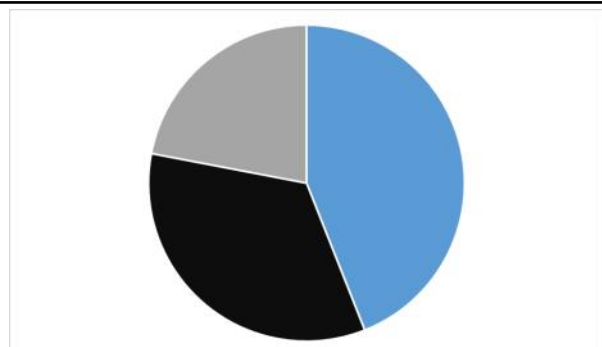
4-Year College: 44 %

2-Year College: 34 %

Work/Military/Other: 22 %

LEGEND:

■ 4 year ■ 2 year ■ Other



## University Matriculation 2018-2020

Each year, close to 80% of students plan on studying at a college or university immediately following graduation. Numbers in parentheses ( ) indicate more than one graduate has matriculated at that institution.

Albright College	Harvard College	Pace University (4)
American International College (2)	High Point University	Pennsylvania State University (5)
American University (3)	Hofstra University	University of Pennsylvania (2)
Arcadia University (2)	Howard University (7)	University of Pittsburgh (3)
The Art Institute of Tampa	University of Illinois (3)	Pratt Institute
Asbury University	Immaculata University	Princeton University
Berkeley College (9)	Indiana University at Bloomington (3)	Purdue University
Bloomfield College (7)	Iona College	Ramapo College of New Jersey (3)
Blue Ridge Community College	Ithaca College	Raritan Valley Community College (376)
Boston University (3)	Johns Hopkins University (2)	Rider University (23)
Bowie State University	Johnson & Wales University (2)	Rochester Institute of Technology
Brookdale Community College (2)	Johnson C. Smith University	Rowan College of South Jersey (3)
Cabrini University	Kean University (62)	Rowan University (14)
Caldwell University (2)	King's College	Rutgers University, Camden (12)
University of California (4)	La Sierra University	Rutgers University School of Nursing (2)
Cedar Crest College	Lafayette College	Rutgers University, New Brunswick (195)
Centenary University (3)	Lasell University	Rutgers University, Newark (35)
City College of New York CUNY	Lehigh University	Sacred Heart University
Clark Atlanta University (3)	LIM College	Saint Joseph's University
Coastal Carolina University (4)	Lincoln Technical Institute (2)	Saint Peter's University (12)
Colorado Mountain College	Lincoln University (3)	Savannah College of Art and Design (3)
Columbia College of Chicago	Long Island University, Brooklyn	University of the Sciences (3)
Coppin State University (2)	Manhattan College	The University of Scranton
Cornell University (2)	Marist College (2)	Seton Hall University (7)
County College of Morris	University of Maryland, College Park (5)	University of South Carolina-Columbia (3)
Dartmouth College (2)	University of Massachusetts	Southern University and A & M College
Delaware State University (12)	Mercer County Community College (5)	Southside Virginia Community College
Delaware Valley University	University of Miami (3)	Spelman College
University of Delaware (2)	Miami-Dade College	Springfield College
DeVry University	Middlesex Community College	St. John's University (3)
Diablo Valley College	Middlesex County College (46)	St. Thomas Aquinas College
Drew University (2)	Misericordia University	Stetson University
Drexel University (5)	Mitchell College	Stevens Institute of Technology (2)
duCret School of Art	Molloy College	Stockton University (3)
Duke University	Monmouth University	Stony Brook University
East Stroudsburg University	Montclair State University (23)	Syracuse University
Eastern Gateway Community College	Moravian College	The University of Tampa (2)
Elon University	Morehouse College	Temple University (9)
Emory University	Morgan State University (12)	Culinary Institute of America (3)
Fairleigh Dickinson University (5)	Mount St. Mary's University (3)	Towson University (3)
Farmingdale State College	Muhlenberg College	Trinity College Dublin
Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising	University of New Hampshire	Union County College (3)
Fashion Institute of Technology (2)	University of New Haven (2)	Universal Technical Institute (15)
Felician University (2)	New Jersey City University (8)	Utah State University
Fisk University	New Jersey Institute of Technology (9)	Virginia Tech (2)
Florida Institute of Technology	The College of New Jersey (27)	Virginia State University (2)
Fordham University	New York University (13)	University of Virginia-Main Campus
Full Sail University (3)	Norfolk State University	Wagner College
Georgia Institute of Technology (3)	North Carolina A & T State University (4)	West Virginia University
Georgia State University (2)	Northampton Community College	Western Connecticut State University
Grambling State University	Northeastern University	William Paterson University of New Jersey (17)
Hampton University (5)	Northwestern University (2)	Winston-Salem State University
Harrisburg University	University of Notre Dame	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
University of Hartford	Old Dominion University	



# Program of Study

## English

### AP

Language & Composition  
Literature & Composition

### Honors

English 9-12  
English 12 CEP

### College Prep

English 9-12

### Electives

Language Arts Essentials  
Journalism I  
Journalism II Honors  
Creative Writing Honors  
Mass Media  
Speech and Debate  
Shakespeare Honors  
Graphic Novels and Anime  
Poetry Today  
Film Representing Culture  
Contemporary Young Adult Literature  
SAT Critical Reading and Writing Preparation

## Mathematics

### AP

Statistics  
Calculus AB  
Calculus BC  
Computer Science A

### Honors

Geometry  
Algebra II  
Pre-Calculus  
Calculus

### College Prep

Algebra I  
Geometry  
Algebra II  
Algebra II Essentials  
Advanced Algebra and Trigonometry  
Pre-Calculus  
Intro to Probability & Statistics  
Statistics  
Quantitative Reasoning

### Electives

Math Skill Lab  
SAT Math Preparation  
Computer Science I&II  
Game & Sports Statistics

## Science

### AP

Biology  
Chemistry  
Physics I  
Physics C  
Environmental Science

### Honors

Biology  
Anatomy & Physiology Honors  
Chemistry  
Physics  
Chemistry of Organic Molecules

### College Prep

Biology CP/Conceptual  
Chemistry CP/Conceptual  
Physics CP/Conceptual

### Electives

Forensics  
Anatomy and Physiology  
Overview of Engineering  
Scientific Program for Engineers  
Robotics  
Biotechnology  
Neuroscience  
The Human Brain  
Science Research  
Zoology  
Electricity  
Astrophysics I & II

## Social Studies

### AP

United States History II  
Macroeconomics/  
Microeconomics  
World History  
Government & Politics: US  
Comparative Government & Politics

### Honors

United States History I  
United States History II  
A Changing World  
Global Issues

### College Prep

United States History I  
United States History II  
A Changing World

### Electives

Race, Gender & Ethnicity  
Global Issues  
Human Development, Behaviors, and Relations  
Sociology  
Economics for the 21st Century

## Business Technology and Family and Consumer Science

### AP

Computer Science Principles

Accounting I-II  
Business: An Introduction  
Marketing I-III  
Sports and Entertainment Marketing  
Fashion Marketing  
Computer Application I-II  
Entrepreneurship  
Principles of Business Law  
Applied Business Law  
Business Psychology  
Personal Finance  
Early Childhood Lab  
Child Development/Parenting  
Learning Strategies  
Career Exploration  
Design Technology  
Advanced Design Technology  
Intro. To Architecture  
Computer Animation and Web Design I-IV  
Computer Science I (Tech)  
Computer Science II: Intro. to App Dev Using Swift  
Computer Science III: Apple App Development

## Music Education

### AP

Music Theory

Band/Honors  
Symphonic Band/Honors  
Wind Ensemble I-III/Honors  
Women's Chorus  
Concert Choir Honors  
Voice Class I-IV  
Orchestra/Honors  
Guitar I-III/Honors  
Jazz & Classic Guitar/Honors  
Music Keyboard I-II  
Piano Honors I-IV/Honors/  
Advanced  
Percussion Performance I-II

## English as a Second Language

ESL I-V  
Bilingual Literacy I & II

## PE and Health

Physical Education  
Concepts of Fitness, Strength & Conditioning  
One Warrior- Peer Education  
Health I  
Driver Education  
Health III  
Health IV  
Teen Prevention Education Program (TeenPEP)  
JROTC

## Classical & World Languages

### AP

Spanish Language  
Spanish Literature  
French Language

### Honors

French III-V  
Latin III-IV  
Spanish II-V/CEP

### College Prep

French I-IV  
Latin I-II  
Spanish I-IV  
Spanish for Native Speakers I & II  
**Electives**  
Mythology

## Fine & Performing Arts

### AP

Art History

### Honors

Art II-IV  
Advanced Dance  
Technique I-III  
The Company  
Acting for Film & Television  
Independent Study Ceramics  
Advanced Sculpture Studio I-III

### College Prep

Art IA, IB  
Set Design I-IV  
Commercial Art-Photography I-IV  
Drawing  
Film Survey I-II  
Cartooning and Animation I-II  
Sculpture I-II  
Beginner Ceramics  
Advanced Ceramics  
Murals and Mosaics  
3D Computer Graphics I-II  
Boy's Dance  
Beginner Dance  
Introduction to Drama  
Drama II-IV  
Musical Theater  
Set Design I-IV  
Aspects of Video Production I-II  
Intro to Jewelry & Metalworking