

Curriculum

Lakes Community High School offers a wide variety of courses in order to challenge each student to achieve his/her potential. Over 150 courses are offered, some on different levels of content, depth, and breadth.



Grading System

Grade Point	Weighted Grade Point (Honors and AP Courses)
A = 4.0	A = 5.0
B = 3.0	B = 4.0
C = 2.0	C = 3.0
D = 1.0	D = 1.0
F = 0.0	F = 0.0

Graduation Requirements

22.5 credits are required for graduation. (1.0 credit = 1 year)

English	4.0 credits	Consumer Education+	0.5 credit
Mathematics	3.0 credits	Illinois Elective	1.0 credit
Science	2.0 credits	Health	0.5 credit
U.S. History	1.0 credit	Physical Education	3.5 credits
Government*	0.5 credit	Driver Education	0.5 credit
Social Studies Elective	0.5 credit	Fine Arts	0.5 credit
Global Studies	1.0 credit		

Credits are awarded at the end of each semester. One-half credit is awarded for each semester course successfully completed.

*A passing grade in Government signifies passage of the U.S. and IL Constitution exams.

+May substitute Introduction to Business, Personal Finance Life Resource Management, or AP Economics.

Cum Laude

Beginning with the graduating class of 2015, District 117 students have the opportunity to graduate Cum Laude. Students earning this distinction are meeting the criteria of Scholarship (at least 26 credits), Character (no suspensions), Community Volunteerism (at least 40 hours), Responsibility (minimum attendance rate of 95%), Excellence (at least three capstone classes), and Pride (at least four extracurricular activities). 31% of the Class of 2019 graduated Cum Laude.

State SAT Scores

Class	# Tested	ERW	Math	Composite	Met Both Benchmarks	Met ERW Score	Met Math Score
2019	322	536	540	1076	52%	76%	56%
2018	546	541	536	1082	53%	75%	54%

ACT Scores

Class	# Tested	English	Math	Reading	Science	Composite	Middle 50% Composite	Top 25% Composite
2017	345	22.3	22.6	21.9	22.7	22.5	19-26	26-35
2016	362	22.6	22.2	22.9	22.5	22.7	19-26	26-36

Advanced Placement

Advanced Placement courses were offered in 24 subject areas for 2018-19. Students were tested in 25 subject areas.

2019	417 students took 811 exams with 70% scoring 3 or better.
2018	410 students took 674 exams with 81% scoring 3 or better.
2017	446 students took 808 exams with 76.5% scoring 3 or better.

Awards

National AP Scholar	5
AP Scholar with Distinction	39
AP Scholar with Honors	29
AP Scholar	70
National Merit Commended Students	3
National Merit Finalist Students	1
National Merit Scholar	1

Post-Secondary Plans

Students pursuing a 2 or 4 year degree	91%
Students starting at a 4 year school	68.5%
Students starting at a 2 year school	20.4%
Students enlisting in the military	1.7%
Work Force	1.3%
Other	3%

Disciplinary Reporting Policy

It is the policy of District 117 to not comment on student discipline records and to only respond to personal questions concerning information contained in the student's permanent record.

Where Respect + Courtesy = Pride

Community High School District 117 Courses 2019-2020

Bold type: weighted course

Career and Technical Education

Accounting 1	Accounting 2 Honors	Introduction to Business	Entrepreneurship
Computer Applications	Multimedia Design	Personal Finance	CADD
LC Tech Campus	Life Resource Management	Introduction to Foods	Creative Foods
Specialty Foods	Apparel Design & Const 1	Apparel Design & Const 2	Introduction to Preschool
Advanced Preschool	Mobile Apps Design	Wood Technology	Tech Support Internship
Wood Technology Adv	Electronics 1	Small Engines	CADD Advanced
Architectural Drawing & Design		Architectural Drawing & Design Honors	

English

English 1	English 1 Honors	English 2	English 2 Honors
English 3	AP Lang & Comp	English 4: Composition	Eng 4: Modern Literature
AP Lit & Comp	Speech Communication	Intro to Print & Digital Journalism	Print & Digital Journalism
Yearbook Journalism	Broadcast Journalism	Literary Magazine	Creative Writing
Creative Writing Adv	Reading Improvement	Sports Media	Media Literacy
American Studies	Eng 4: World Literature	English 4: Fantasy, Science Fiction & Horror Literature	
English as a Second Language		Eng 4: Women and Literature	

Fine Arts

Fine Arts Appreciation	Art 2D	AP 2-D Art and Design	Art 3D
AP 3-D Art and Design	Drawing 1	Drawing Advanced	AP Drawing
Painting 1	Painting Advanced	Ceramics 1	Ceramics Advanced
Digital Photography	Digital Photography Advanced	Beginning Theatre	Studio Theatre
Studio Theatre Advanced	Stagecraft	Stagecraft Advanced	Intro to Improve
Chamber Orchestra	Percussion Ensemble 1	Percussion Ensemble 2	Concert Band
Symphonic Band	Wind Ensemble	Wind Ensemble Advanced	a Cappella Choir
Concert Choir	Treble Choir	Advanced Treble Choir	Music Theory 1
AP Music Theory	Concert Orchestra	Electronic Music Keyboarding	

Mathematics

Integrated Math 1	Integrated Math 1 Honors	Math Improvement	Integrated Math 2 Support
Integrated Math 2	Integrated Math 2 Honors	Integrated Math 3 Honors	Integrated Math 3 Support
Integrated Math 3	Pre-Calculus	Pre-Calculus Honors	AP Calculus AB
AP Calculus BC	Probability	Statistics	AP Statistics
Game Theory	AP Computer Science Principles	AP Computer Science A	

Science

Physics	Physics Honors	Chemistry	Chemistry Honors
Earth Science	Biology	AP Biology	Anatomy & Physiology
AP Chemistry	AP Physics 1	AP Physics C: Mechanics	Environmental Sci 1
Environmental Sci 2	AP Environmental Sci		

Social Studies

Global Studies	American Studies	AP Human Geography	Psychology of Living
AP Psychology	Sociology	US History	AP US History
AP European History	American Government	AP US Government & Politics	Law in American Society
AP Economics	Contemporary World Issues	International Relations Honors	

World Languages

German 1	German 2	German 3 Honors	German 4 Honors
AP German Language	Spanish 1	Spanish 2	Spanish 3 Honors
Spanish 4 Honors	AP Spanish Language	Spanish for Heritage Speakers 1	

Driver Education, Health, and Physical Education

Driver Education	Health	PE 1	Physical Best Advanced
PE Team	Fit for Life	Physical Best	Food and Fitness
Adventure Education	Dance and Fitness	PE Individual	
Fit for Life Advanced	Adventure Education Advanced		



Members of the Lakes Community High School Class of 2019 are attending the following four-year and two-year colleges:

Adrian College	Grand Valley State University	The College of Wooster
Appalachian State University	Hawaii Pacific University	The Ohio State University
Arizona State University	Illinois Institute of Technology	The University of Alabama
Augustana College	Illinois State University	The University of Iowa
Aurora University	Illinois Wesleyan University	University of Colorado at Denver
Beloit College	Indiana University at Bloomington	University of Illinois at Chicago
Benedictine University (IL)	Iowa State University	University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Bradley University	Keiser University - *Flagship Campus, FL	University of Indianapolis
Brigham Young University	Lake Forest College	University of Kansas
Butler University	Loras College	University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
Carroll University (Wisconsin)	Loyola University Chicago	University of Missouri Columbia
Carthage College	Marquette University	University of New Hampshire at Durham
Case Western Reserve University	Miami University, Oxford	University of North Alabama
College of Lake County	Milwaukee Institute of Art and Design	University of Northern Colorado
Colorado State University	Milwaukee School of Engineering	University of South Carolina
Columbia College Chicago	NCAA Eligibility Center	University of Wisconsin, Madison
Dartmouth College	North Central College	University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee
DePaul University	Northern Illinois University	University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh
Drake University	Northland College	University of Wisconsin, Parkside
East Tennessee State University	Olivet Nazarene University	University of Wisconsin, Platteville
Eastern Illinois University	Purdue University	University of Wisconsin, River Falls
Edgewood College	Quinnipiac University	University of Wisconsin, Stout
Elmhurst College	Southern Illinois University, Carbondale	University of Wisconsin, Whitewater
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University - Daytona Beach	Southern Utah University	Valparaiso University
Florida Southern College	St. Ambrose University	Viterbo University
Florida South Western State College	St. Norbert College	Western Illinois University
Florida State University	Taylor University	Western Michigan University
	Texas Christian University	

Students from Lakes Community High School completed 1367 applications to 326 different schools. They are attending 84 different schools in 22 different states.

Source: May 2019 Senior Exit Survey, Naviance

