Pearl River High School
2023 - 2024 Profile

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Community

Pearl River is located in Rockland County, approximately 20 miles north of New York City on the west side of the Hudson River and bordering New Jersey. Primarily a suburban residential community, Pearl River is home to families comprised of professional, managerial, and civil service workers. They consistently support their children's academic success through involvement in their education. Both parents and community members support the schools through annual positive budget votes. The district consists of one high school (8-12), one middle school (5-7), and three elementary schools (K-4).

Pearl River High School

"Believe You Can Achieve"

Pearl River High School is a comprehensive five-year public school enrolling approximately 930 students. Pearl River High School is fully accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools and the NYS Department of Education, and holds membership in the College Board and the National Association for College Admission Counseling.

- 2023 U.S. News & World Report - PRHS ranked #835 nationally out of 25,000 high schools, with a score of 95.28 and ranked #91 out of 1,198 NYS high schools, the highest ranking for Rockland County.
- 2022 U.S. News & World Report - PRHS ranked #977 nationally out of 18,000 high schools, with a score of 94.52 and ranked #98 out of 1,212 NYS high schools, the highest ranking for Rockland County.
- 2021 U.S. News & World Report - PRHS ranked #950 nationally out of 17,857 high schools, with a score of 93.31 and ranked #115 out of 1,266 NYS high schools, the 2nd highest ranking for Rockland County.
- 2020 U.S. News & World Report - PRHS ranked #950 nationally out of 17,792 high schools, with a score of 94.66 and ranked #87 out of 1,217 NYS high schools, the highest ranking for Rockland County.
- 2001 Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award Recipient, one of the first three in the country

Enrollment breakdown*: Class of 2024 - 181; Class of 2025 - 188; Class of 2026 - 172; Class of 2027 - 210; Class of 2028 - 178
(*as of 9/06/23)

Individual college visits are held virtually and in person during or after school hours Monday - Friday. Pearl River High School's PTSA also sponsors an annual College Night Fair each Fall, with over 125 colleges and universities represented, including SUNYs as well as private and out-of-state institutions. The PRHS PTSA College Fair is open to all students and parents everywhere free of charge. For more information: **prhscollegefair@gmail.com.**

Curriculum

The majority of students pursue an academic/college preparatory level curriculum in preparation for post-graduate study. Advanced level courses are available in five areas. Acceleration in mathematics and earth science is available beginning in the eighth grade. In addition to the core subject courses and a wide range of electives, including a pre-engineering sequence, students can pursue higher level study in these areas:

Honors Level Courses:
English, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies

Advanced Placement Courses:
Biology, Calculus AB, Chemisry, English Literature & Composition, Computer Science Principles, Economics, Environmental Science, Government & Politics, Microeconomics, Studio Art, U.S. History, and World History.

Project Lead the Way:
Bio-medical Science, Human Body Systems, and Medical Interventions

SUNY Albany College Courses:
French, Italian, Latin, Spanish

Syracuse University Project Advance Courses:
Forensic Science

SUNY Rockland Courses:
Business, English, Physics, Statistics

Graduation Requirements

Minimum number of credits required for graduation: 22
Minimum number of academic credits per year: 5
Minimum course requirements:

Content Area	Regent Diploma*	Regents Diploma Adv. Designation*
English	4 credits	4 credits
Social Studies	4 credits	4 credits
Science	3 credits	3 credits
Mathematics	3 credits	3 credits
Electives	3.5 credits	1.5 credits
Physical Education	2 credits	2 credits
Fine Arts	1 credit	1 credit
World Language	1 credit	3 credits
Health Education	.5 credit	.5 credit

* Passing score of 65 or above

Honor Societies

National Honor Society
National English Honor Society
Mu Alpha Theta Honor Society (Mathematics)
Rho Kappa Honor Society (Social Studies)
Science Honor Society
Tri-M Music Society
World Language Honor Societies (French, Italian, Latin, & Spanish)

Grade Weighting/Class Rank

Pearl River School District reports a weighted GPA with a weighted rank using a numerical grading system. High Honors and Honor Roll lists are computed each of the four marking periods for those students carrying the equivalent of six courses, one of which is Physical Education. In addition, a yearly honor roll will be computed for honors achievement in all four quarters:

High Honors overall average of 90 and above, no failures, no incompletes. Honors overall average of 85-89.99, no failures, no incompletes.

Averages are done at the conclusion of the sixth semester and include all failures, summer school, and repeated courses. All subjects are included in the GPA with the exception of Physical Education. Course final average grades indicated on the transcript are not weighted. For GPA and ranking calculations, course final average grades are weighted as follows:

Honors Course: 1.03   College Course: 1.06   Advanced Placement: 1.10

Programs & Services

To help our students achieve their fullest potential, Pearl River High School provides the following programs & services:

Academic Intervention Services	Library Media Research Center
English as a New Language	PLUS Program
School Counseling & Services	Special Education Services

Athletics & Activities

Pearl River High School enthusiastically supports involvement in activities and athletics as it correlates to high academic performance. More than 85% of students participate in one or more co-curricular activity. Many students, representing the top of their classes, are multi-sport athletes. Students select from an unusually wide number and range of teams and clubs for a school of this size.

Interscholastic Teams:
Boys: Baseball, Basketball, Bowling, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Ice Hockey, Lacrosse, Soccer, Swimming, Tennis, Track (Winter & Spring), Wrestling

Girls: Basketball, Bowling, Cheer (Fall & Winter), Cross Country, Dance Team, Field Hockey, Golf, Ice Hockey, Lacrosse, Soccer, Softball, Swimming, Tennis, Volleyball, Track (Winter & Spring)

Intramural Sports:
Ping Pong, Skiing, Volleyball, Weight Training/Fitness

Clubs:
Academic Team, Beautification, Chess, DECA, English, E-Sports, Forensics/ Debate, Gay/Straight/Trans Alliance (GSTA)/Kaleidocope, Girls Learn International, International, Journalism, Junior Achievement, Marching Band, Marine Science, Math League (Rockland County & NYS), Math Olympiad, Mock Trial, Model United Nations, Musicals & Dramas, Pep Band, Ping Pong Squad, Pirate for Paws, Pirate Repertory, Pirates United, Project Lead the Way Medical Interventions, Recycling, Robotics, Rotary Interact, Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD), Salt/ Freshwater Ecology, Science Enrichment, Science Olympiad, Student Council, Technology (Stagecraft), Tenth Muse, Varsity Athletes Against Substance Abuse (VAASA), Yearbook, Youth & Government.

Pearl River High School's Class of 2023

The following information is specific to the Class of 2023 seniors:

Programs & Services

Graduation Rate	96%*
<u>Percentage attaining</u>:	
NYS Advanced Regents Diploma	74%*
NYS Regents Diploma	26%
Percentage attending college/university/technical school	91%
Percentage attending 4-year college:	77%
Percentage attending 2-year college:	13%
Percentage entering the military:	2%

* Includes both in and out of district students

Grade Point Average

There were 197 graduates in the Class of 2023, including 2 students out-of-district who received diplomas. A total of 72 seniors (38% of the class) had a Cohort GPA* of 90.2%:

> 75 seniors earned a 90+ GPA*
> 81 seniors earned an 80 - 89.9 GPA*   * Unweighted GPA

Advanced Placement Exams

Class of 2023 Advanced Placement (AP) Exams: 167 AP exams were taken by 99 students*:

39% exams with a score of "5" or higher.
58% exams with a score of "4" or higher.
84% exams with a score of "3" or higher.

AP Scholars:	29
AP Scholars with Honors:	17
AP Scholars with Distinction:	17
National AP Scholar	0

* Students taking AP courses are required to take the exam.

Standardized Tests Results

SAT: *Combined test scoring is 400-1600*
Class of 2023 - 72% of seniors took the SAT exam:

<u>PRHS Scoring</u>
Mean Total Score	1172
Mean Math	580
Evidence Based Reading & Writing	592

ACT: *Test scoring is 1-36, with the exception of Writing being 2-12.*
Class of 2023 - 20% of seniors took the ACT exam:

<u>PRHS Scoring</u>
Composite Score	27.4
Mean Math Score	26.6
Mean critical Reading	28.1
Mean Critical Writing	0.7

Honors & Awards

National Merit Scholarship Commended Students:	3
National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists:	1
National Honor Society Members:	50
National English Honor Society:	61
Mu Alpha Theta Honor Society:	27
Rho Kappa Honor Society:	53
Science Honor Society:	59
Tri-M Music Society:	17
World Language Honor Societies:	73
French:	12
Italian:	5
Latin:	15
Spanish:	41

Community Service

Pearl River High School requires all students to complete 40 hours of community service in order to graduate. Students are encouraged to log a minimum of 10 hours each year for four years. Opportunities for service are coordinated through the school for individual students. Many students typically complete more than 40 hours prior to graduation.

Class of 2023 Community Service Awards Achieved:
Citizenship Award (25-49 hours per school year):	14
National Award (50-99 hours per school year):	7
Presidential Award (100+ hours per school year):	10

Other Distinctions

10 students earned the NYS Seal of Biliteracy
100% of special education students attained Regents/Advanced Regents Diplomas
27 out of 28 varsity teams named New York State Scholar Athlete Teams with team GPA average of 90 or better

Class of 2023 College Acceptances

Adelphi University
The University of Alabama
Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences
Alfred State College
Alfred University
American University
Appalachian State University
University of Arizona
Auburn University
Barnard College
Barry University
CUNY Bernard M Baruch College
Bergen Community College
Binghamton University
Boston College
Bowling Green State University -Main Campus
CUNY Brooklyn College
Bryant University
Bryn Mawr College
Cal Poly
Carnegie Mellon University
Case Western Reserve University
The Catholic University of America
University of Central Florida
College of Charleston
Clarkson University
Clemson University
Coastal Carolina University
The College of Saint Rose
Colorado State University -Fort Collins
Concordia University - Montreal
University of Connecticut
CUNY New York City College of Technology
The City University of New York - CUNY
University of Dayton
University of Delaware
Dominican University New York
Drew University
Drexel University
East Carolina University
Eastern Connecticut State University
Elmira College
Elon University
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University-Daytona Beach
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University-Prescott
Emerson College
Emmanuel College
Endicott College
Fairfield University
Fairleigh Dickinson University -Metropolitan Campus
Fitchburg State University
Florida Atlantic University
Florida Institute of Technology
Florida Polytechnic University
Florida State University
University of Florida
Fordham University
Franklin Pierce University

George Mason University
Georgia Institute of Technology -Main Campus
University of Georgia
Gettysburg College
University of Hartford
Hartwick College
Hawaii Pacific University
High Point University
Hobart William Smith Colleges
Hofstra University
CUNY Hunter College
Indiana University-Bloomington
Iona University
Ithaca College
Jacksonville University
James Madison University
Jamestown Community College
CUNY John Jay College of Criminal Justice
Johnson & Wales University -Providence
Keene State College
Kutztown University of Pennsylvania
La Salle University
Lafayette College
Le Moyne College
Lehigh University
Lesley University
Lincoln Technical Institute -Mahwah
Louisiana State University
Loyola University Chicago
Loyola University Maryland
Lynn University
University of Maine
Manhattan College
Manhattanville College
Marist College
University of Maryland -College Park
Marywood University
University of Massachusetts -Dartmouth
University of Massachusetts -Amherst
University of Massachusetts -Boston
McDaniel College
Mercy College
Merrimack College
Miami University, Oxford
University of Miami
Michigan State University
University of Michigan -Ann Arbor
University of Mississippi
Monmouth University
Montclair State University
Moravian University
Mount Saint Mary College
College of Mount Saint Vincent
University of New Hampshire
University of New Haven
New Jersey Institute of Technology
The College of New Jersey
New York Institute of Technology

Niagara University
University of North Carolina at Charlotte
University of North Carolina Wilmington
North Carolina State University at Raleigh
Northeastern University
University of Notre Dame
Nova Southeastern University
Ohio Northern University
Oregon State University
Pace University, New York City
Pace University, Westchester
Palm Beach Atlantic University
Palm Beach State College - Palm Beach Gardens
Paul Smith's College
Pennsylvania State University -Penn State Main Campus
Pennsylvania State University -Penn State Beaver
Pennsylvania State University -Penn State Berks
University of Pennsylvania
University of Pittsburgh -Pittsburgh
Plymouth State University
Providence College
SUNY at Purchase College
Purdue University -Main Campus
CUNY Queens College
Quinnipiac University
Ramapo College of New Jersey
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rhode Island College
University of Rhode Island
University of Richmond
Rochester Institute of Technology
Rockland Community College
Roger Williams University
Rowan University
Rutgers University -New Brunswick
Sacred Heart University
Salisbury University
Salve Regina University
Savannah College of Art & Design -SCAD
University of Scranton
Seton Hall University
Siena College
Simmons University
University of South Carolina -Columbia
University of South Florida -Main Campus
Southern Connecticut State University
Springfield College
St. John's University-New York
St. Thomas Aquinas College
State University of New York at New Paltz
Stetson University
Stevens Institute of Technology
Stockton University
Stony Brook University

Suffolk University
SUNY Brockport
SUNY Buffalo State
SUNY College of Agriculture and Technology at Cobleskill
SUNY Cortland
SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry
SUNY College at Geneseo
SUNY Morrisville
SUNY College at Old Westbury
SUNY Oneonta
SUNY College at Potsdam
SUNY College of Technology at Canton
SUNY College of Technology at Delhi
SUNY at Fredonia
SUNY Maritime College
SUNY College at Oswego
SUNY College at Plattsburgh
SUNY Polytechnic Institute
Syracuse University
The University of Tampa
Temple University
The University of Tennessee -Knoxville
Culinary Institute of America
The George Washington University
Ohio State University -Main Campus
Thomas Jefferson University
Towson University
Union College (NY)
United States Air Force Academy
University at Albany, SUNY
University at Buffalo
University of Oregon
Ursinus College
Vassar College
Vermont State University
University of Vermont
Villanova University
Virginia Commonwealth University
Virginia Tech
Wake Forest University
Wentworth Institute of Technology
West Chester University of Pennsylvania
West Virginia University
Western Connecticut State University
Western New England University
William Paterson University of New Jersey
University of Wisconsin - Madison
Worcester Polytechnic Institute
CUNY York College