

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:

	Regents Diploma	
Regent Diploma*	Adv. Designation	
4 credits	4 credits	
4 credits	4 credits	
3 credits	3 credits	
3 credits	3 credits	
3.5 credits	1.5 credits	
2 credits	2 credits	
1 credit	1 credit	
1 credit	3 credits	
.5 credit	.5 credit	
* Passing score of 65 or above		
	4 credits 4 credits 3 credits 3 credits 3.5 credits 2 credits 1 credit 1 credit 5 credit	

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 English as a New Language School Counseling & Services Library Media Research Center PLUS Program 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/TransAlliance (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%*
Percentage attaining:	
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:

PRHS Scoring

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:

PRHS Scoring

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 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 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 Ćollege 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 Ćollege