



LONDONDERRY SCHOOL DISTRICT, SAU #12, LONDONDERRY, NH School Information Sheet

Londonderry High School

Sending Schools: Londonderry Middle School, area private schools

Location: 295 Mammoth Road, Londonderry, NH 03053

Web Address: schools.londonderry.org/lhs

Hours: 7:20 AM – 1:58 PM

Enrollment: 1803

Motto: "Giving Wings to Children's Dreams"

Phone: 603-432-6941

Grades: 9–12

Mascot: Lancers

Colors: Red, White, Blue

Building Personnel: 271 (Administrators, teachers, support staff, health professionals, custodial and food services)

Administrators: **Principal:** James Elefante; **Assistant Principals:** Art Psaledas, Jason Parent, Catherine Bosiak, Katie Sullivan **Guidance Director:** Michael Dolphin; **Special Education Program Director:** Connie Biedrzycki; **Curriculum Coordinators:** Cindy Freyberger and Kim Lindley-Soucy; **Athletic Director (6-12):** Mike Kobilarcsick; **Music Director (K-12):** Andy Soucy; **Food Service Director:** Nancy Foucon

Facilities Profile: Londonderry High School is located on a 135-acre site on Mammoth Road in the center of town. The main building (232,250 sq. ft) houses approximately 105 classrooms, cafeteria and Library Media Center. The new two-story 52,000 sq. ft. gymnasium, opened in Jan. 2003, sports a 17,000 sq. ft. wooden court.

Learning Environment: Londonderry High School is a public comprehensive high school accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. Students are encouraged to take courses from a variety of subject areas to fulfill their 24-credit graduation requirement. Most subject areas offer advanced placement, honors and college preparatory courses, as well as specialized programs for learning disabled and special needs students. Students participate in an array of interscholastic sports and extracurricular activities.

Mission Statement: The learning community of Londonderry High School is committed to providing a safe, diverse, and nurturing environment that promotes academic excellence, citizenship, and the development of skills and values necessary for future success. (Adopted 10/03)

Special Programs: Project Running Start Courses (college credit for courses such as Marketing, C++ Programming, Cisco Networking, Anatomy and Physiology, Biotechnology); Career Pathway Programs (Academy of Finance, Athletic Training, Biotechnology, Computer Maintenance & Repair, Cisco Academy, Future Educators Academy, Information Technology, Mass Communications, MOUS Certification, Project Lead the Way, Vocational Video Production); Independent Study Options; Adult Education Program; Summer School; Affiliation with the Manchester School of Technology and Wilbur H. Palmer Vocational Technical Center at Alvirne High School; Articulation agreements with area colleges and universities.

Foreign Languages Program: French, Spanish, German, Latin

Honors and AP Classes: Londonderry High School offers a wide range of honors and Advanced Placement classes. AP classes include English Literature & Composition, US History, European History, US Government & Politics, Environmental Science, Calculus, Statistics, Computer Science, French and Spanish.

Music: The nationally recognized music program includes marching band, orchestra, concert band, jazz ensemble and choral groups. Recognition includes 3 Tournament of Roses Parade invitations and numerous All-State winners.

Special Education: The Special Education Department offers an array of services designed to meet the specific needs of individual students with disabilities. Students can be referred to Special Education by teachers, parent(s), and/or guidance counselors. Eligibility for Special Education is determined using measurements of achievement and intelligence, classroom success, teacher and parent input and the need for specialized instruction. If criteria are met, an Individualized Educational Program (IEP) will be developed which specifies services to be delivered by the school and responsibilities to be accepted by the student and parent.

Guidance/Counseling: The comprehensive school guidance program includes a Guidance Director and seven guidance counselors, School-to-Career Coordinator and School Community Counselor. Counseling is available on an individual and/or group basis to help students make intelligent decisions that meet their personal, educational, and vocational objectives. The School-to-Career Center assists students in career development and planning, and coordinates job shadows, internships and other work-based learning.

Library Media Program: The Library Media Center provides a comprehensive collection of resources to support the curriculum, to promote an appreciation of reading, and to develop information literacy skills. Additionally, the Library Media Specialists work collaboratively with teachers to develop projects that reinforce these skills. As of 6/30/06, the collection includes: 21,255 circulating items; 3,616 reference volumes; 12 electronic data base subscription services and 61 periodical subscriptions. Presently, there are 50 computers available to support teaching and learning as well as a variety of other audio-visual and technology resources.

Technology Resources: There are 4 Computer Education/Business Labs, 1CAD/CAM and 1 Curriculum Lab. In addition, computers are important tools in such specialty areas as school-to-career, video and vocational video production, special education, and alternative learning. There are also tech-rich classroom learning environments in Family and Consumer Science, English and Earth and It's Changing Environment. The ratio of modern computers to students is approximately 1:4.

Graduates: For the class of 2006, 80% of graduates went on to 2 & 4 year colleges, 3% went to other certificate/training programs, 2% joined the Armed Forces, and 15% pursued employment; SAT results for the Class of 2006 - 340 test takers, MEAN scores: Critical Reading 511; Math 520; Writing 505

Athletics: The High School competes in the Class L division of the New Hampshire Interscholastic Athletic Association. Sports include Cross Country, Soccer, Football, Field Hockey, Volleyball, Cheerleading, Basketball, Gymnastics, Indoor & Outdoor Track, Hockey, Wrestling, Swimming, Baseball, Softball, Tennis, Lacrosse and Golf. 2006 Championships—Boys Indoor Track.

Parent Involvement: Parents become involved through organizations such as the Parent Teacher Students Association, Booster Club, Friends of Music, as well as numerous parent support groups for the individual sport teams.

Activities: Londonderry High School provides a wide variety of organizations and activities as outlets and opportunities for diverse talents and interests. Examples of these activities are: Art Club, Color Guard, Dance Club, Drama Club, Festival of Youth Club, Granite State Challenge, Literary Publications, Marching Band, School Newspaper, Radio Club, Robotics Competition, Student Council, National Honor Society, and Mathematics Team. Activities may be added as students indicate a serious interest in new areas.

Recent Recognition 2006 NH Secondary School Principal of the Year (Jim Elefante); 2006 Londonderry Dollars for Scholars Teacher of the Year (John Vaughn) 2005 NH Art Teacher of the Year Finalist (Mimi Johnson); 2004 NH English Teacher of the Year and National High School English Teacher of Excellence (Liz Juster); 2004 Tournament of Roses Parade; FIRST Team, Rookie of the Year 2003 Regional Competition; NE Woodworking Program of the Year (Tom Ciccarello); Milken Family Foundation Teacher of the Year (Kelley Giguere); 2003 Treat Award for Excellence in the Teaching of the Humanities (Flora Sapsin).

History: The high school building was built in 1972 as a junior high school. Additions were added in 1975 and 1978, and the building opened as a Jr/Sr High School in Sept. 1978. The current 9 – 12 grade configuration was adopted in 1982. Additions in 1998 and 2003 brought the building to its current capacity of 2100 students.