
PROFILE 2010 – 2011

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Mahwah High School is accredited by The Middle States Association
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MISSION STATEMENT

Mahwah, derived from the Leni Lenape *mawewi*, is a place where people and paths meet. Ramapo Ridge Middle School and Mahwah High School are the "meeting places" where various neighborhoods converge as one community. We will ensure that rigorous and relevant curricula will pave the way for challenging and diverse opportunities for all students. Small learning communities will be the vehicle through which we pursue our mission by focusing on strong relationships, learning preferences, performance levels, and interests. Students, staff, parents, and community members will remain dedicated to supporting one another in achieving these essential goals.

SCHOOL: Mahwah High School is a four-year high school (grades 9-12). Three Elementary schools, an intermediate school and one middle school feed directly into the district's only high school. Our current student enrollment is 1060.

FACULTY: The professional staff is comprised of 127 members which includes counselors, librarian/media specialists and special educators. Four full-time counselors and a student assistance counselor counsel individuals in academic, career and personal matters.

GRADING & RANKING: Mahwah High School uses a numerical grading system, and does not report individual student ranks; the lowest passing grade is 65. Class rank is reported in deciles. Rank in class is computed at the end of the 2nd, 4th, 6th, 7th & 8th semesters. The decile rank includes all weighted courses.

CURRICULUM: Mahwah High School has a four day rotating schedule and fifty-five minute classes. Students are scheduled for eight courses, six of which meet daily. All students complete a total of 125 credits and meet the New Jersey High School Proficiency Assessment II (HSPA II) requirements in mathematics

and Language Arts Literacy in order to earn a state-endorsed diploma. There are course offerings in business, world languages, industrial arts technology, performing and visual arts. Advanced Placement courses are offered in Biology, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Chemistry, Computer Science, English Literature, English Language, European History, French, Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, Physics C, Psychology, Statistics, Studio Art, and Spanish.

Post Graduation Plans

	2010	2009	2008
Total Graduates	255	238	224
Post Secondary Ed.	95%	93%	93%
4- Yr. Colleges	80%	79%	73%
2- Yr. Colleges	15%	14%	17%
Other	5%	7%	10%

GPA Values

Letter Grade	Numerical Range	GPA Value
A	90-100	4.0
B	80-89	3.0
C	70-79	2.0
D	65-69	1.0
F	Below 65	0.0

Course Weighting Scale

	Weight		Weight
AP Courses	10	Academic & Elective Courses	3
Honors Courses	8	Basic & Elective Courses	0

SAT Mean Score Breakdown

	Math	CR	Writing
Class of 2010	599	555	570
Class of 2009	558	526	548

SAT Critical Reading & Math Combined Mean Scores

Year	Mahwah High School	New Jersey	Nation
2010	1154	1009	1017
2009	1084	1009	1016
2008	1103	1008	1017
2007	1106	1005	1017

New Jersey Bloustein Distinguished Scholars

2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
20	15	15	8	12

NOTEWORTHY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Class of 2010

- ✚ 10 students selected to the North Jersey Region 1 Band; 2 selected to the NJ All-State Band
- ✚ 4 students selected for North Jersey Region 1 Chorus; 3 students selected to the NJ All-State Chorus
- ✚ Robotics team finished 6th in NJ out of 61 teams in the annual competition
- ✚ JETS (Junior Engineering Technical Society) placed 2nd in NJ; 27th Nationally out of 130 teams
- ✚ Bergen County Math League Division 1 Champions
- ✚ Future Problem Solving Team State Champions
- ✚ 6 nominations from Montclair State University Theatre Awards for production of "Love of Three Oranges"
- ✚ 2 MHS students selected as "North Jersey Players of the Year" in their respective sports

Graduation Requirements

Courses	Years	Credits
English	4	20
Mathematics	3	15
Social Studies	3	15
Science	3	18
World Language	2	10
Physical Ed./Driver Ed/Health	4	16-20
Performing /Visual Arts	1	5
Practical Arts	1	5
Total		125

AP Test Results

- ❖ 128 Students took 258 exams in 18 academic subjects in May 2010; 87% of the students scored 3 or better.

AP COURSE	% Score 3 or above
Biology	80
Calculus AB	94
Calculus BC	100
Chemistry	80
Computer Science	78
Economics-Macro	85
Economics-Micro	85
English Language	97
English Literature	91
European History	90
Physics C- E&M	50
Physics C- Mechanics	91
Spanish Language	100
Statistics	80
Studio Art – 2D Design	100
Studio Art – Drawing	100
US History	100
US Govt. & Politics	100



MAHWAH HIGH SCHOOL

COURSE OFFERINGS 2010 – 2011

Course descriptions can be found under Guidance on the Mahwah High School home page.

ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS:

AP: AP Literature & Composition
AP Language & Composition

Honors: Honors English 9, 10, 11, 12

College English 9, 10, 11, 12

Prep: Creative Writing
Effective Communication
Film as Literature
Journalism 1, 2
Play Production
Theater Arts 1,2,3
SAT Crit. Reading/Writing

General: General English 9

MATHEMATICS:

AP: AP Calculus AB
AP Calculus BC
AP Statistics
AP Computer Science A

Honors: H Calculus
H Pre-Calculus
H Algebra 2
H Geometry

College Pre-Calculus

Prep: Algebra 2
Geometry
Geometry Applications
Algebra 1
Algebra 1 Applications
Intro to Java
Adv. Programming in Java
Robotics
Advanced Robotics
SAT Math

General: Intermediate Algebra App.
Geometry Applications
Algebra 1 Applications

SCIENCE:

AP: AP Biology
AP Chemistry
AP Phys. C: Elec. Mag/Mech

Honors: H. Biology
H. Chemistry
H. Physics

College Biology

Prep: Chemistry
Physics
Anatomy & Physiology
Environmental Science
Microbiology
Sports Physiology

General: Gen. Biology
Gen. Chemistry
Gen. Physics

SOCIAL STUDIES:

AP: AP Psychology
AP European History

Honors: H. U.S. History I & II
H. World History
H. Constitutional Law
H. Scientific Psychology
H. Sociology

College U.S. History I & II

Prep: World History
World Geography
Economics for Today
Holocaust Studies
Political Science
Practical Psychology
War & American Society

General: World History
U.S. History I & II

WORLD LANGUAGES

AP: AP French Language
AP Spanish Language

Honors: Honors French 2,3,4,5,
Honors Spanish 2,3,4,5
Honors Latin 3 & 4

College French 1,2,3,4,5

Prep: Spanish 1,2,3,4,5

VISUAL ARTS:

AP: AP Studio Art Drawing
Portfolio Development
Interior & Structural Design
Art 1 & 2
Painting & Drawing
Three-Dimensional Design
Design & Illustration
Digital Photography

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Phys Ed/Health 9,11,12
Phys Ed/DE 10

PRACTICAL ARTS

Healthy Culinary Choices
Internat. & Regional Cuisine
Drafting 1 & 2
Intro to Woodworking & Furniture
Inter.-Woodworking & Furniture
Adv.-Woodworking & Furniture.

BUSINESS:

AP: AP Econ. – Micro/Macro

Honors: H Accounting 2

College Accounting 1

Prep: Tech. as an Interactive Tool
International Business
Business Law
Personal Money Mgmt.
Personal Publishing
Sports & Enter. Marketing
Web Page Development
E-Commerce

ADDITIONAL COURSES

Foundations of Eng. 9,10,11,12
Reading/Language Arts
Foundations of Algebra
Foundations of Geometry
Foundations Inter. Algebra
Foundations of World History
Foundations of US History 1 & 2
Foundations of Biology
Foundations of Chemistry
Foundations Physics
Foundations of Spanish 1 & 2
Transition Planning
English 1, 2, 3, 4
Applied Math 1, 2, 3, 4
Global History
American History 1 & 2
Integrated Science 1, 2, 3, 4
Basic Spanish Culture 1 & 2
Life Skills 9, 10, 11, 12
Structured Learning

PERFORMING ARTS

Band/ Lessons
Choir/Lessons
Marching Band/Color Guard
Music Appreciation
Music Theory 1
String Orchestra/Lessons
Jazz Band

GUIDANCE

Freshman Advisory
Peer Leaders for Fresh, Advisory
Community Service

GIFTED AND TALENTED

Honors Future Problem Solving
Community Problem Solving
Intro. to Future Problem Solving
Education as a Career

COLLEGES ATTENDED BY CLASSES OF 2009 - 2010

American University	3	Johns Hopkins University	2	Rutgers University at Newark	2
Arizona State University	2	Johnson & Wales University	7	Sacred Heart University	5
Art Institute of NYC	2	Kean University	5	Salve Regina	2
Baruch College of the CUNY	2	Laboratory Inst. of Merchandising	5	Saint Joseph's University	3
Bates College	1	Lafayette College	3	Saint Peter's College	2
Bentley University	1	Lehigh University	5	School of the Museum of Fine Arts	1
Bergen Community College	60	Lincoln Technical Institute	6	School of Visual Arts	2
Binghamton University	8	Loyola University, Maryland	1	Seton Hall University	6
Bloomfield College	1	Manhattan College	1	Skidmore College	1
Bloomsburg University	1	Manhattan School of Music	1	Springfield College	1
Boston College	4	Marist College	14	St. Bonaventure University	1
Boston University	5	Marymount Manhattan College	1	St. Thomas Aquinas College	1
Brown University	1	Mass. College of Liberal Arts	1	SUNY at Albany	1
Bryant University	2	Mass. College of Pharmacy	2	Stevens Institute of Technology	8
Bucknell University	2	Mitchell College	2	Suffolk University	2
Caldwell College	1	Monmouth University	6	SUNY College at Cortland	2
Carnegie Mellon University	5	Montclair State University	26	Susquehanna University	1
Cazenovia College	2	Montserrat College of Art	1	Syracuse University	6
Centenary College	2	Moravian College	1	The Catholic University of America	1
Clark University	1	Mount St. Mary	2	The College of New Jersey	12
Clemson University	2	Muhlenberg College	3	The Culinary Institute of America	1
College of the Holy Cross	1	New Jersey City University	1	The George Washington University	3
Cornell University	3	New Jersey Inst. of Technology	4	The University of Scranton	1
DeSales University	1	New York Inst. of Technology	1	The University of Tampa	3
DeVry University	1	New York University	6	SUNY at Buffalo	1
Drew University	6	North Carolina State University	1	University of Colorado at Boulder	2
Drexel University	5	Northeastern University	9	University of Connecticut	2
Duke University	1	Pace University, New York City	2	University of Delaware	19
East Stroudsburg University	2	Pace University, Pleasantville	2	University of Florida	1
Eastwick College	2	Pennsylvania College of Tech.	3	University of Hartford	6
Emerson College	1	Penn State Univ., Berks	1	University of Maine	3
Fairfield University	2	Penn State Univ., University Park	10	Univ. of Maryland, College Park	14
Fairleigh Dickinson Univ., Madison	3	Princeton University	1	Univ. of Massachusetts, Amherst	5
Farleigh Dickinson University	1	Providence College	1	University of Miami	2
Fashion Institute of Technology	2	Purchase College	1	United States Military Academy	1
Florida Atlantic University	1	Purdue University	1	University of Missouri Columbia	1
Florida Gulf Coast University	3	Quinnipiac University	9	University of New Hampshire	1
Fordham University	6	Ramapo College of New Jersey	25	University of Notre Dame	3
Franklin and Marshall College	2	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	2	University of Pennsylvania	1
Georgetown University	3	Richard Stockton College	4	University of Pittsburgh	1
Haverford	1	Rider University	9	University of Rhode Island	4
Hofstra University	3	Rochester Institute of Technology	3	University of the Sciences Philadelphia	1
Indiana University at Bloomington	2	Rockland Community College	2	University of South Carolina	3
Iona College	2	Roger Williams University	3	University of Vermont	4
Iowa State University	1	Rowan University	7	Villanova University	8
Ithaca College	3	Rutgers University at Camden	1	Virginia Tech	2
James Madison University	3	Rutgers Univ. at New Brunswick	27	William Paterson University	24

