



## PROFILE

**SCHOOL:** Hanover High School is a comprehensive public high school of approximately 750 students. The school provides a broad range of offerings in English, math, social studies, languages, science and technology, in addition to an array of courses in the fine and applied arts. Approximately 13% of the student body consists of tuition students from outside the school district. The class of 2010 has 92% of its students now attending or scheduled to attend four-year colleges, while another 4% will attend a two-year college or have other plans for post-secondary study.

**MISSION STATEMENT:** Hanover High School is an active learning community that provides broad academic and co-curricular programs. We engage students' minds, hearts, and voices so that they become educated, caring and responsible adults.

All students are given the opportunity and encouragement to use their

- minds to pursue excellence, academic challenge, and personal success
- hearts to respect and care for the emotional and physical well being of themselves and others, and for the environment
- voices to contribute to the democratic process and the common good.

**PHILOSOPHY AND SCHOOL GOVERNANCE:** Hanover High School is dedicated to the philosophy that students learn responsibility by being given the opportunity to exercise responsibility, that they learn decision making by having the opportunity to make decisions, and that they make the strongest commitment to education when they are given real power in managing that education. In keeping with the school's philosophy, students form a majority on the school governing body (the Council), which includes staff and community members; this assembly has decision-making responsibility for many aspects of the school's daily operation. A sense of activism and community is fostered among students, faculty and staff through the weekly Common Ground (homeroom/advisory) meetings. Students at the high school are free to manage their own time when not in classes (there are no required study halls), and an open campus pass system allows students in good standing, with their parents' permission, to attend to needs off the school's premises. Students returning from college invariably point to these innovations, which foster maturity and responsibility, as a reason for their ready adjustment to college and for the significant success they achieve there. These same innovations would also appear to contribute to the high percentage of Hanover graduates who go on to complete their college education.

**FACULTY:** Of the 86 professional staff at Hanover High School, 72% hold at least a Master's degree, while 14% hold a Master's degree + 60 credits or a doctorate.

**ACCREDITATION:** Hanover High is fully accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges.

**COMMUNITY:** Hanover High School serves the bi-state Dresden School District which includes the towns of Hanover, New Hampshire and Norwich, Vermont. As the home of Dartmouth College, the Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center, and a number of small high tech firms, Hanover and its environs offer cultural, educational and recreational benefits not often available in a town of approximately 11,000 residents.

## SPECIAL OFFERINGS

- **Honors Courses:** Honors classes, our most rigorous offerings, have requirements that are significantly beyond the scope of the usual college preparatory work. These courses, designated (H) on transcripts, do **not** receive weighted grades. Hanover High School offers honors at every level in mathematics, science and foreign languages, and in the junior and senior year for English. The social studies department offers open enrollment in its rigorous senior electives; however, it does not designate courses as honors since it holds the belief that classes should represent a microcosm of the entire student body.
- **Career and Technology Courses:** Juniors and seniors may take a wide range of vocational, technical and business courses at the Hartford (VT) Area Career and Technology Center.
- **Senior Bridges Program:** Seniors may undertake an independent, interdisciplinary learning project, which culminates in a public presentation; credits and course hours for these projects are determined on an individual basis.
- **The Dresden Plan:** Assists students who are talented or who have strong interests in developing academic credit-earning experiences through community mentors, independent study, senior challenge, internships, work/study, and volunteer service courses.
- **AP Opportunities:** While Hanover High School does not offer AP courses as such, a number of classes include preparation for the national AP exams.
- **Dartmouth College Courses:** Each year approximately 20 - 45 junior and senior Hanover High School students take Dartmouth College courses. If scheduling allows, students may take courses that are not offered at HHS for enrichment or advanced study in a subject area. Students who have successfully completed all the advanced course work in a given field and have received permission from the relevant department at both the High School and the College, may enroll in Dartmouth College courses. These courses are so designated on student transcripts; like Honors courses, they are **not** weighted.

## GENERAL COURSE REQUIREMENTS

### Graduation Requirements

The Dresden School District requires 20 units of credit for graduation, with each full unit representing a year's work. All courses, whether semester long or full year, receive a grade and ½ credit per semester.

## GRADING

The following letter grades appear on transcripts; each is assigned a numerical value as indicated:

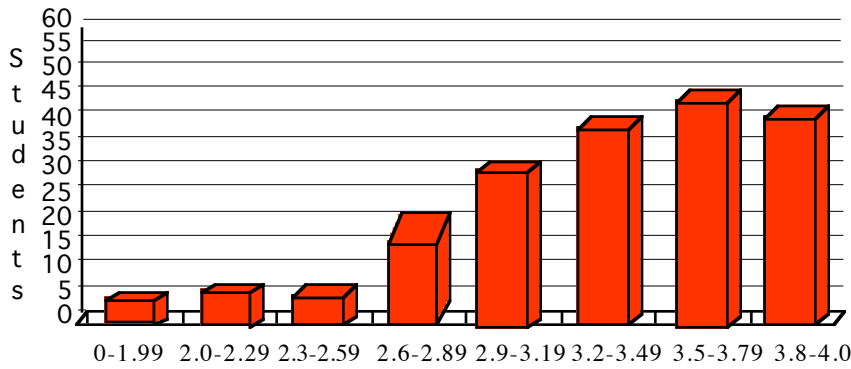
<u>Letter Grade</u>	<u>Numerical Value</u>
A	4.0
B	3.0
C	2.0
D	1.0
NC (No credit)	0 (calculated in GPA)
INC (Incomplete)	0 (not calculated in GPA)
W (Withdrew in good standing)	0 (not calculated in GPA)
WF (Withdrew failing)	0 (calculated in GPA)
P (Passing)	0 (not calculated in GPA)

The Grade Point Average (GPA), which is based on a 4.0 scale, is calculated using **unweighted** grades.

## RANK IN CLASS

As a matter of school policy (effective 2002-2003 school year) students are not numerically ranked.

GPA -Class of 2011 -191 Students as of September 2010

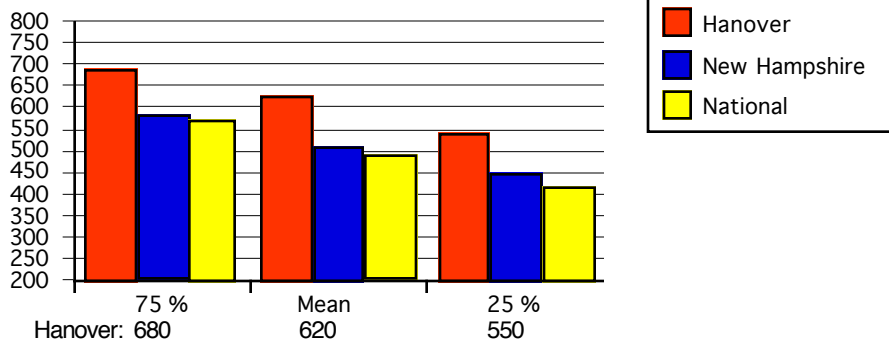


Top 10% - 3.91 and above  
 Top 20% - 3.82 and above  
 Top 30% - 3.69 and above  
 Top 40% - 3.58 and above  
 Top 50% - 3.45 and above  
 Top 60% - 3.29 and above  
 Top 70% - 3.13 and above

## National Merit Scholarship Program Class of 2010

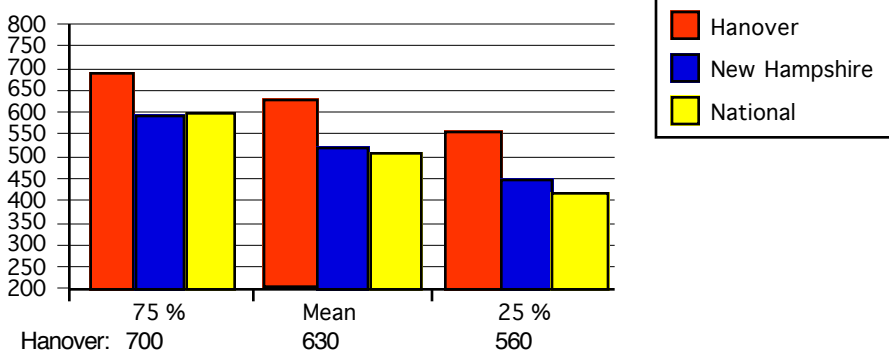
Commended - 13  
 Semifinalists - 11  
 Finalists - 11  
 Merit Scholarship Recipients - 4

SAT I - Critical Reading- Class of 2010



Class of 2011- 163 students  
 85 % took PSAT  
 Class of 2010 - 153 students  
 92 % took SAT

SAT I - Math - Class of 2010



SAT II -Lit -Class of 2010

Mean: 657  
 75%: 710  
 Median: 660  
 25%: 610  
 24 students

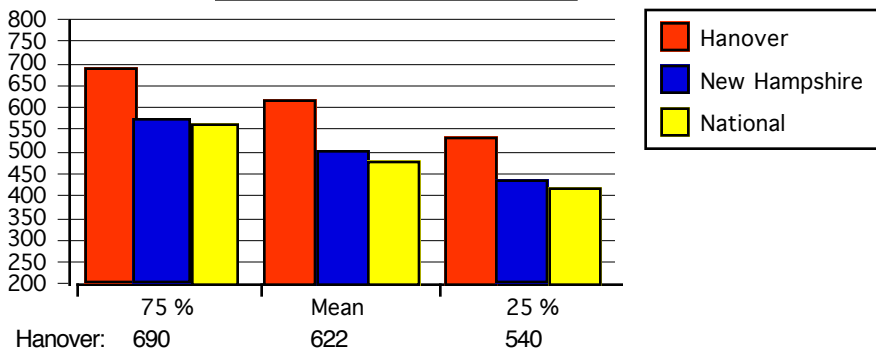
SAT II -Math IC -Class of 2010

Mean: 674  
 75%: 710  
 Median: 690  
 25%: 630  
 41 students

SAT II -Math IIC -Class of 2010

Mean: 724  
 75%: 790  
 Median: 740  
 25%: 640  
 37 students

SAT I - Writing - Class of 2010



SAT II- Biology -E- Class of 2010

Mean: 660  
 75%: 720  
 Median: 660  
 25%: 600  
 34 students

## DATA SHEET: POST-SECONDARY EDUCATIONAL PLANS CLASS OF 2010

	Male	Female	Number	% of Total
Number of graduates	77	76	153	
Number planning to attend 4-yr colleges	68	73	141	92 %
Number planning to attend 2-yr colleges (Tech schools, Jr. colleges, etc)	3	1	4	3 %
Number planning to attend Prep School for post graduate courses	0	0	0	
GAP year	1	0	1	<1%
<b>Total # planning post secondary education</b>			146	96%
<b><u>Four-year college data</u></b>				
Number of different colleges applied to			296	
Number of different colleges graduates will attend			90	
Number of graduates who will attend private 4-yr colleges			102	72%
Number of graduates who will attend public 4-yr colleges			39	28%
Total applications filed and processed			1077	
Defer college one year			3	
<b><u>Students not enrolling in formal post secondary education programs</u></b>				
Work	3	2	5	3%
Armed forces	0	0	0	
Not reported/AmeriCorps/Travel/Other	2	0	2	>1%
<b>Total</b>			7	4%

## Number of Graduates Attending Four and Two Year Colleges

Albright University	1	Mount Allison University	1
Amherst College	2	Mount Holyoke College	1
Arcadia University	1	New England College	1
Barnard College	2	Northeastern University	1
Bates College	2	Oberlin College	3
Boston University	2	Plymouth State University	1
Bowdoin College	1	Prescott College	1
Brown University	5	Principia College	1
Bucknell University	2	Queen's University	1
Butler University	1	Quest University Canada	1
Capital University	1	Royal Welsh Coll. of Music & Drama	1
Centre College	1	Sarah Lawrence College	1
Colby College	3	Savannah College of Art & Design	1
Colby-Sawyer College	2	Skidmore College	1
Colgate University	6	Smith College	1
Colorado School of Mines	1	St. Lawrence University	1
Columbia University	1	The College of Wooster	1
*Community College of Vermont	2	The Evergreen State College	1
Concordia University	1	The George Washington University	1
Connecticut College	2	The University of Tampa	1
Cornell College	1	Trinity College	1
Cornell University	1	Tufts University	1
Dartmouth College	8	University of Chicago	1
Denison University	1	University of Colorado at Boulder	1
Dickinson College	2	University of Dallas	1
Elon University	1	University of London	1
Endicott College	2	University of Michigan	1
Fordham University	2	University of New Hampshire	8
Goucher College	1	University of N. Carolina at Asheville	1
Harvard University	1	University of North Dakota	1
Haverford College	2	University of Notre Dame	1
Hollins University	1	University of Oregon	1
Indiana University at Bloomington	1	University of Pittsburgh	3
Ithaca College	1	University of Redlands	1
Keene State College	3	University of Richmond	2
Lafayette College	1	University of South Carolina	1
*Landmark College	2	University of St. Andrews	1
Lasell College	1	University of Vermont	7
Lehigh University	1	Villanova University	1
Loyola University Maryland	1	Washington College	1
Lyndon State College	2	Wellesley College	1
Macalester College	1	Wesleyan University	2
Massachusetts Coll. of Art & Design	1	West Virginia University	1
MA Coll. of Pharm. & Health Services	1	Williams College	1
McDaniel College	1		
Middlebury College	3		

**Total: 145**

\*2 Year colleges or vocational-technical

**COLLEGE AND SCHOOL ACCEPTANCES \* CLASS OF 2010  
(RANKING BASED ON GPA AT END OF SENIOR YEAR)**

**First Fifth of the Class**

**(Top 10%)**

Amherst College	Bowdoin College	Colgate University	Emerson College	Smith College	University of Vermont
Barnard College	Brandeis University	Connecticut College	Hamilton College	Tufts University	Vassar College
Bates College	Brown University	Cornell University	Purchase College	University of New Hampshire	Wellesley College
Boston University	Colby College	Dartmouth College	Skidmore College	University of Notre Dame	Wheaton College

**(Second 10%)**

Allegheny College	Brandeis University	Florida State University	Lafayette College	Skidmore College	University of Richmond
Amherst College	Bucknell University	Fordham University	Macalester College	University of Arizona	University of South Carolina
Bard College	Butler University	Gettysburg College	Middlebury College	University of Chicago	Villanova University
Barnard College	Centre College	Hamilton College	Mills College	University of Maryland	Washington & Lee University
Bates College	Colgate University	Indiana University	Mount Holyoke College	University of New Hampshire	Wellesley College
Boston College	Dickinson College	Kenyon College	Purchase College	University of Notre Dame	Williams College

**Second Fifth of Class**

Allegheny College	Bryn Mawr College	Dickinson College	Middlebury College	Syracuse University	University of Rochester
Amsterdam University	Bucknell University	Eckerd College	Mount Holyoke College	Trinity College	University of St. Andrews
Bard College	Carleton College	Guilford College	Northeastern University	Tufts University	University of Tampa
Barnard College	Carnegie Mellon University	Hamilton College	Oberlin College	University of Maastricht	University of Vermont
Bates College	Colgate University	Hampshire College	Rollins College	University of Maryland	University of St. Andrews
Bennington College	Colorado School of Mines	Haverford College	Sarah Lawrence College	University of Massachusetts	University of Tampa
Boston College	Lombia University	Hobart & William Smith Colleges	Scripps College	University of Michigan	University of Vermont
Bowdoin College	Connecticut College	Howard University	Skidmore College	University of New Hampshire	Wesleyan University
Brandeis University	Dartmouth College	Ithaca College	Smith College	University of North Carolina	Wheaton College
Brown University	Denison University	Lafayette College	St. Lawrence University	University of Richmond	Williams College

**Third Fifth of the Class**

American University	Connecticut College	Kenyon College	Ramapo College	University of Connecticut	University of Redlands
Bates College	Cornell College	Lehigh University	Rhodes College	University of Dallas	University of St. Andrews
Boston University	Cornell University	Lewis & Clark College	Roger Williams University	University of Delaware	University of Vermont
Carnegie Mellon University	Dartmouth College	Macalester College	Rollins College	University of Mary Washington	University of Washington
Carroll College	Dickinson College	McDaniel College	Royal Welsh College	University of Maryland	Villanova University
Case Western Reserve Univ.	Drew University	Montana St. University	St. Lawrence University	University of Miami	Wesleyan University
Champlain College	Fordham University	Northeastern University	Syracuse University	University of Michigan	Wheaton College
Chapman University	Furman University	Oberlin College	The George Washington	University of Montana, Missoula	
Clark University	Hobart & William Smith Colleges	Pennsylvania State University	Tufts University	University of New Hampshire	
Colby-Sawyer College	Hofstra University	Principia College	United States Naval Academy	University of North Carolina	
Concordia University	Indiana University	Quest University	University of Colorado-Denver	University of Pittsburgh	

**Fourth Fifth of the Class**

Albright College	Dalhousie University	Hollins University	Nova Southwestern University	Shepherd University	University of Delaware
Allegheny College	Davis & Elkins College	Indiana University	Pacific Lutheran University	St. Lawrence University	University of London
American University	Drew University	Ithaca College	Prescott College	Temple University	University of Massachusetts
Arizona State University	Elmira College	Jacksonville University	Queen's University	The College of Wooster	University of New Hampshire
Bennington College	Emerson College	Keuka College	Radford University	The Evergreen St. College	University of Puget Sound
California College of Arts	Fairmont State University	Landmark College	River Valley Community College	The Ohio State University	University of Vermont
Capital University	Florida State University	Loyola University	Roger Williams University	The University of Alabama	Villanova University
Carroll College	Goucher College	Lyndon State College	Rollins College	The University of Tampa	West Virginia University
Clark University	Hanover College	Maine College of Art	St. Michael's College	Trinity College	Westminster College
Colby College	Hartwick College	MA College of Art & Design	Sarah Lawrence University	University of Arizona	Widener University
Colby-Sawyer College	Hobart & William Smith Colleges	Mount Allison University	Savannah Coll. of Art & Design	University of British Columbia	
Colgate University	Hofstra University	Northeastern University	School of Visual Arts	University of Colorado Boulder	

**Last Fifth of the Class**

Arcadia University	Curry College	Keene State College	New England College	The Univ. of MT, Missoula	University of North Dakota
Barry University	Drew University	La Salle University	Old Dominion University	The University of Tampa	University of Oregon
Bay Path College	Elon University	Landmark College	Plymouth State University	University of California, LA	University of Pittsburgh
Castleton State College	Endicott University	Lasell College	Roger Williams University	University of CO, Boulder	University of Redlands
Cazenovia College	Franklin Pierce University	Longwood University	Sacred Heart University	University of Maine	University of Vermont
Central Conn. State Univ.	Goddard College	Lynchburg College	Salve Regina University	University of New England	Washington College
Champlain College	Hartwick College	Lyndon State College	Seton Hall University	Univ. of New Hampshire	West Virginia University
Colby-Sawyer College	High Point University	Montana State University	Southern Vermont College	University of New Haven	Western New England College
Community Coll. Of VT	Johnson & Wales University	Mount Allison University	The University of Findlay	University of North Carolina	William Woods University