



2019 – 2020 PROFILE

School and Community

In its very first selection process, the United States Department of Education named Scarsdale High School as “one of the 144 exemplary schools to which others may look for patterns of success.” Accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, Scarsdale High School is a four-year college preparatory high school with an enrollment of 1515.

Located in Westchester County, Scarsdale is a suburban community of approximately 20,500. Most residents are professionals and business executives who demonstrate strong support for the educational system. Scarsdale is a culturally diverse community enriched by a large international population.

Nationally recognized for educational excellence, Scarsdale High School provides a distinctive curriculum to meet the needs of a talented student population. Curricular offerings range from honors and college-level courses to basic and remedial sections providing skills enrichment. Diverse and challenging elective offerings enhance the required course of study.

Special Programs

Scarsdale High School also offers a rich variety of programs that encourage students to pursue specific interests. Opportunities include individual tutorials, independent study and interdisciplinary courses. In addition, there are several comprehensive educational choices that students may elect. The Scarsdale Alternative School is a satellite school for 85 students in grades ten through twelve, which emphasizes participatory government and shared decision-making. All freshmen participate in an interdisciplinary English and social studies program with a counseling component. All seniors are required to participate in Senior Options, which serves to provide closure to the high school academic experience by offering students the opportunity to apply their knowledge and skills in an area of personal interest.

Working under the supervision of a faculty member, students engage in an internship or independent project during the last six weeks of the senior year.

Faculty

Scarsdale High School has a professional staff of 158 with a median teaching experience of 15 years. A Masters Degree is held by 100% of the faculty; 80% have 30 credits or more beyond a Masters; 6% have Doctorates. The student faculty ratio is 10 to 1.

Counseling Department

The Counseling Department, comprised of a director and eight counselors with the title Dean of Students, provides a comprehensive program that includes individual and group counseling at each grade level. With 99% of the class continuing their education after graduating from Scarsdale High School the college selection and admission process is central to the responsibilities of each dean.

Disclosure Statement

Scarsdale High School does not send disciplinary records to post-secondary institutions. We counsel students to answer honestly any question regarding their disciplinary history on a college application. However, information concerning a student’s academic integrity or a particularly egregious infraction will be disclosed when we determine that it indicates conduct that might impact directly on the student’s ability to act appropriately in a college setting.

Important Curricular Information

Please note that all of our level-five courses, (courses that have a five in the last column of our three-digit course code numbering system) constitute college-level instruction and are the most rigorous courses we offer. Admission to these courses is selective and based on one or more of the following: teacher recommendation, demonstrated mastery of course work in the content area, and outstanding performance on a departmental exam. All level-five courses offered are teacher-designed Advanced Topics courses. Students who take AT courses have the option of taking AP exams.

Course Code Numbering

All courses carry a three-digit designation. The first digit represents the department; the middle digit represents the year of study; the last digit represents the level of work:

0 – remedial	3 – accelerated
1 – foundational	4 – honors/high honors
2 – regular	5 – college-level

Marking System

A+	4.4	B	3.0	C-	1.7
A	4.0	B-	2.7	D+	1.4
A-	3.7	C+	2.4	D	1.0
B+	3.4	C	2.0	F	0.0

Grade Point Average

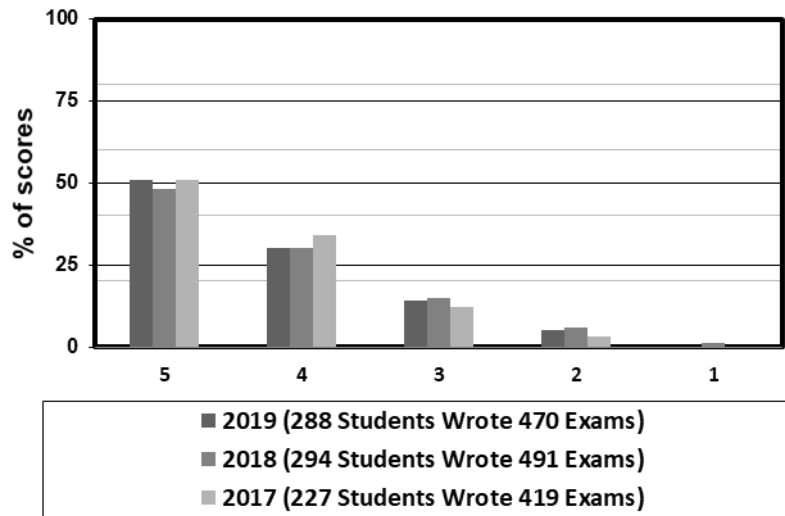
The grade point average, computed at the end of the sixth semester, includes all courses or classes in which a student received a letter grade, with the exception of physical education. **NO WEIGHTING IS GIVEN FOR HONORS OR COLLEGE-LEVEL COURSES.** When a student repeats a course to raise a grade, the grade point average on the transcript reflects the average of both grades. Grade point average is not computed for Scarsdale Alternative School students or some transfer students. **STUDENTS ARE NOT ASSIGNED A RANK IN CLASS.**

Graduation Requirements

All students are required to complete a minimum of 22 credits for graduation. Scarsdale High School administers all of the New York State Regents examinations required for graduation, and over 99% of our students successfully complete these exams. Graduation requirements include:

English	4 credits	Arts	1 credit
Social Studies	4 credits	Health	½ credit
Science	3 credits	Electives	3 ½ credits
Mathematics	3 credits	P.E.	2 credits
World Language	1 credit	Senior Options	

**2017 – 2019
Advanced Placement Test**



2019 mean Advanced Placement score was 4.26
Admission to college-level courses is selective, based on teacher recommendation, class performance, and test results.

**2018 - 2019
SAT Average**

Total Tested:	154
Composite:	1381
ERW:	676
Math:	705

**2018 - 2019
ACT Average**

Total Tested:	244
English	31
Math	30
Reading	31
Science	30
Composite	31

Grade Distribution

Grades 9-12, Classes 2016 - 2019
(Percent of total Grades Given)

	A+	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D+	D	F
English	3.50%	21.00%	22.50%	19.80%	16.90%	7.60%	3.40%	2.70%	1.30%	0.30%	0.50%	0.20%
Social Studies	8.10%	32.90%	25.10%	15.80%	11.40%	4.00%	1.50%	0.90%	0.20%	0.10%	0.00%	0.00%
Science	1.30%	21.10%	27.10%	21.30%	17.50%	6.40%	2.80%	1.60%	0.50%	0.20%	0.30%	0.20%
Mathematics	5.20%	24.60%	23.90%	18.10%	15.30%	6.90%	2.70%	2.00%	0.60%	0.30%	0.30%	0.20%
World Language	0.50%	18.70%	30.30%	25.60%	15.60%	5.50%	1.80%	1.10%	0.40%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%

Scarsdale Statistics

2019 Senior Class Enrollment 370

99%	of the 370 members of the class of 2019 continued their education	20	students in the class of 2019 (5%) were named National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists
97%	entered four-year national and international colleges and universities	32	students in the class of 2019 (9%) received National Merit Letters of Commendation
2%	entered two-year colleges		