



# HACKENSACK HIGH SCHOOL

## School Profile

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**2024-2025**

### Who We Are

[Hackensack High School \(HHS\)](#), home of the Comets, is a four-year comprehensive secondary school in Bergen County, NJ, with a student population of over 1800 students from the socio-economically diverse communities of Hackensack, South Hackensack, and Rochelle Park.

"Reaching All Learners" HHS is a learning community that fosters an appreciation for cultural diversity, intellectual growth, and individual diligence. We strive to prepare students to accept life's challenges by encouraging them to be open-minded, reflective, life-long learners who have integrity and respect for others. HHS in partnership with our community, will develop citizens who make a difference in their community.

**CEEb CODE: 310460**

### Student Demographics –1806 students

<b>Asian</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>Free/ Reduced Lunch Eligible</b>	<b>53%</b>
<b>Black/African American</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>First Generation College Students</b>	<b>69%</b>
<b>Hispanic</b>	<b>64%</b>	<b>English Language Learners</b>	<b>18%</b>
<b>Pacific Islander</b>	<b>&lt; 1%</b>		
<b>White</b>	<b>10%</b>		

### Grade Point Average and Ranking

A cumulative non-weighted GPA is computed at the end of each academic year. A cumulative weighted GPA is computed at the end of the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> semesters for purposes of class rank.

### Grading System

Letter Grade	Numerical Range	Unweighted GPA Value*
<b>A+</b>	<b>97-100</b>	<b>4.0</b>
<b>A</b>	<b>90-96</b>	<b>4.0</b>
<b>B+</b>	<b>87-89</b>	<b>3.5</b>
<b>B</b>	<b>80-86</b>	<b>3.0</b>
<b>C+</b>	<b>77-79</b>	<b>2.5</b>
<b>C</b>	<b>70-76</b>	<b>2.0</b>
<b>D</b>	<b>65-69</b>	<b>1.0</b>
<b>F</b>	<b>0-64</b>	<b>0.0</b>

### 2024-2025 Course Guide

68 College-Preparatory (CP) courses  
44 Honors courses  
24 Advanced Placement (AP) courses  
27 Dual Credit (DC) courses

### Dual Enrollment Partnerships

Bergen Community College  
Fairleigh Dickinson University  
Seton Hall University

### Graduation Requirements

**English:** 4 years  
**History:** 3 years (*US History 1,2 & World History*)  
**Math:** 3 years (*Algebra 1, Geometry and Algebra 2, or Mathematical Modeling*)  
**Science:** 3 years (*Biology, Chemistry, and Physics or Environmental Science*)  
**World Language:** 1 year (*Spanish, French, Italian*)  
**Financial Literacy:** 1 semester  
**Career/Technical Education:** 1 year  
**Fine and Performing Arts:** 1 year  
**Physical Education and Health:** 4 years  
**Passing Score on approved State test in both Math and English**

### Testing Data

#### SAT 2023-2024 Averages

	<b>English</b>	<b>Math</b>
<b>10 highest scores</b>	632	655
<b>All Students</b>	529	511

#### AP Five-Year School Summary

	<b>Number of Exams</b>	<b>% Exams with Scores 3+</b>
<b>2024</b>	419	61%
<b>2023</b>	389	61%
<b>2022</b>	371	68%
<b>2021</b>	355	61%
<b>2020</b>	325	79%

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### Post-Secondary Pursuits

Plan	'24	'23	'22	'21	'20
4 Year College	46%	49%	43%	48%	46%
2 Year College	30%	31%	35%	30%	35%
Trade/Technical School	8%	7%	7%	6%	8%
Employment	6%	5%	6%	7%	3%
Military	3%	3%	3%	2%	2%
Other	5%	3%	5%	6%	5%

### Extra-Curricular Offerings

Academic Decathlon  
Beekeepers Club  
Black Student Union  
Chess Club  
Cold Case Club  
Color Guard  
Comet Ambassadors  
Consumer Bowl  
Creative Writing Club  
Criminal Justice Club  
D&D Club  
Destination Imagination  
Drama/Stage Crew Club  
Fashion Club  
FBLA  
Film Club  
French Club  
French Honor Society  
Gamers Club  
Gay-Straight Alliance  
Guitar Club  
HHS Dance Team  
Hip Hop and DJ Club

IDEATE Club  
Improv Club  
Interact Club  
Italian Club  
Italian Honor Society  
Latin American Student Assn.  
Model UN  
National Honor Society  
Philosophy Club  
Photography Club  
Power to the People Club  
Puzzle Club  
Robotics Club  
Ski/Snowboarding Club  
Spanish Honor Society  
Step Dynamic  
Student Council  
Tri-M National Music Honor Society  
Varsity H Club  
Women's Safety Club

### Athletics

Baseball  
Basketball  
Bowling  
Cheerleading  
Cross Country Track  
Field Hockey  
Football  
Golf

Indoor Track  
Outdoor Track  
Soccer  
Softball  
Swimming  
Tennis  
Volleyball  
Wrestling



### Class of 2024 Matriculations-4-year Institutions

Berkeley College  
Binghamton University  
Bloomfield College-MSU  
Boston University  
Bridgewater State University  
Brown University  
Caldwell University  
Carnegie Mellon University  
Case Western Reserve University  
College of Saint Elizabeth  
Coppin State University  
Delaware State University  
Drew University  
Eastwick College  
Edinburgh Napier University  
Fairleigh Dickinson University  
Felician University  
Florida Institute of Technology  
Fordham University  
Georgian Court University  
Hampton University  
John Jay College of Criminal Justice  
Johnson & Wales University  
Kean University  
Keystone University  
Mercy University  
Miami University  
Monmouth University  
Montclair State University  
Moravian University  
New Jersey City University  
New Jersey Institute of Technology  
Northeastern University  
Pace University  
Penn State Brandywine

Pennsylvania State University  
Ramapo College  
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute  
Rider University  
Rowan University  
Rutgers University--New Brunswick  
Rutgers University--Newark  
Saint Anselm College  
School of Visual Arts  
Seton Hall University  
South Carolina State University  
St. Peter's University  
St. Thomas Aquinas College  
Stevens Institute of Technology  
Stockton University  
The College of New Jersey  
The New School  
The Ohio State University  
University of California- Davis  
University of Bridgeport  
University of New Haven  
University of North Carolina at Greensboro  
University of Pennsylvania  
University of Rhode Island  
University of Saint Mount Vincent  
University of South Carolina  
University of Southern California  
University of Tampa  
University of Virginia  
Villanova University  
Western New England University  
William Paterson University

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