



## DEPEW UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELING CENTER

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CEEB Code 331600

### HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE 2017-2018

**COMMUNITY:** The village of Depew, with a population of 17,371, is a suburb of the Greater Buffalo area. There are 6,000 residential units within the school district. The community is a mix of professional and blue-collar families that have been very supportive of the school district. The village has the advantages of city life while maintaining the friendly environment of a smaller community. Easy access to Western New York's main thruways and highways is within minutes, as is the Buffalo-Niagara International Airport. Several two and four-year colleges are within commuting distance, including the State University of New York at Buffalo, Buffalo State College and Erie Community Colleges. Depew is a family-oriented community, with strong values. Many of our graduates return to live and work in the district.

**HIGH SCHOOL:** There is one High School, grades 9-12, with a total enrollment of 571 students. The school is accredited by the New York State Board of Regents. The racial breakdown of the high school students is 89% White, 3% Black, 3% Hispanic and 3% Asian. Our school year is comprised of 4 quarters and 2 semesters. We have 9 periods in the day.

**GRADING SYSTEM/WEIGHTING/RANKING:** Grades are numerical. 65% is passing. 90% and above is honor roll. 85% and above is merit roll. Quarterly and final grades are not weighted, however, quarterly averages and year end GPAs are weighted. The weighting is as follows: Honors, Advanced Studies (College Credit) courses and Project Lead the Way courses, with the exception of Engineering Design & Development are weighted at 1.03%. Advanced Placement (AP) courses are weighted at 1.06%. Valedictorian and Salutatorian are established at the end of the 7th semester – based on ranking. Ranks are not reported on the transcripts.

**GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:** A minimum of 22 credits are required to graduate: 4 credits of English, 4 credits of Social Studies, 3 credits of Math, 3 credits of Science, 0.5 credit of Health, 2 credits of Physical Education, 1 credit of Art/Music, 1 credit of a Language Other Than English, and 1 course in technology education. Students must also pass certain regents exams depending on the diploma type. The New York State Board of Regents approved regulations establishing multiple, comparably rigorous assessment pathways to graduation for all students. For the latest updates visit: <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/ciai/multiple-pathways/>.

**HONORS DISTINCTION:** This type of diploma certifies that an average of 90% or higher was achieved on all the Regents examinations required for that diploma.

**MASTERY IN MATH/SCIENCE:** Students who earn a score of 85% or better on 3 Regents exams in math and/or the Living Environment Regents exam and any 2 other science Regents exams, will earn an annotation on the diploma that denotes mastery in mathematics and/or science respectively.

**CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION ENDORSEMENT:** Students enrolled in a New York State approved Career and Technical Education program through Erie 1 BOCES are eligible to have a Career and Technical endorsement affixed to their diploma, provided all requirements are met.

**NYS CDOS COMMENCEMENT CREDENTIAL:** A certificate indicating that the student has the knowledge and skills necessary for entry level employment.

**HONORS COURSES:** (2) English 10 Honors and Pre-Calculus Honors.

**ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES:** (9) English Language and Composition (AP English 11), English Literature and Composition (AP English 12), Calculus AB (AP Calculus), Statistics (AP Stats), Biology (AP Biology), World History (AP World History), US History (AP US History), United States Government and Politics (AP US Government & Politics) and Studio Art: 2-D/Portfolio Development (AP Art). *AP Physics C: Mechanics (AP Physics) is not offered this year*

**PROJECT LEAD THE WAY:** Our PLTW program is certified through the Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT) and also has articulation agreements with Erie Community College. We offer the following PLTW courses: Introduction to Engineering Design (DDP+), Digital Electronics, Computer Integrated Manufacturing, Principles of Engineering, and Engineering Design and Development.

**ADVANCED STUDIES COURSES:** The following Advanced Studies Erie Community College courses are offered this year:

ECC COURSE	COLLEGE CREDITS	DEPEW COURSE TITLE	HS CREDITS
FR 112 Intermediate French	3.5	AS French 4	1.0
FR 205 Introduction to French Literature	3.0	AS French 5	1.0
SP 112 Intermediate Spanish I	3.5	AS Spanish 4	1.0
SP 205 Introduction to Spanish Literature	3.0	AS Spanish 5	1.0
BI 147 Survey Anatomy & Physiology	3.0	AS Anatomy & Physiology	1.0
BU 233 Consumer Finance	3.0	AS Career & Financial Management	0.5
DA 106 Intro to Microcomputer Apps	3.0	AS Computer Applications	0.5
BU 233 Consumer Finance	3.0	AS Financial Planning	0.5
GS 111 College Success Skills	3.0	AS Success Skills	0.5
MT 143 Introductory Statistics I	4.0	AP Statistics	1.0
GA 145 Web Page Design w/Dreamweaver	3.0	AS Computer Coding & Web Page Design	1.0

**OTHER DUAL ENROLLMENT COURSES:** Our AP Biology course is articulated with the SUNY College at Buffalo 3.0 credit Bio 100 course.

MEAN SAT AND ACT SCORES			
<i>SAT Reading</i>	<i>SAT Math</i>	<i>SAT Writing</i>	<i>ACT Composite</i>
(2013) 498	(2013) 511	(2013) 479	(2013) 21.8
(2014) 493	(2014) 514	(2014) 466	(2014) 22.1
(2015) 495	(2015) 505	(2015) 465	(2015) 22.6
(2016) 509	(2016) 508	(2016) 485	(2016) 22.7
(2017) 548	(2017) 541	(2017) 27	(2017) 22.2

GRADE CONVERSION CHART		
PERCENT	ALPHA	4.0 GPA SCALE
100-98	A+	4.0
97-95	A	4.0
94-92	A-	3.7
91-89	B+	3.3
88-86	B	3.0
85-83	B-	2.7
82-80	C+	2.3
79-77	C	2.0
76-74	C-	1.7
73-71	D+	1.3
70-68	D	1.0
67-65	D-	1.0
64 & below	F	0

CLASS OF 2017 POST-GRADUATE DESTINATIONS*	Percent
4 year college	49%
2 year college	29%
Other Post-Secondary	2%
Military	3%
Employment	16%
*Based on the reports received from our graduates (134)	

### CLASS OF 2017 POST SECONDARY CHOICES

Alfred State C \* Bryant & Stratton C \* Buffalo State C \* Canisius C \* Daemen C \* D'Youville C \* Erie Community C \* Erie 1 BOCES Adult Ed \* Hilbert C \* Junior A Hockey \* Medaille C \* Mercyhurst U \* Niagara County Community C \* Niagara U \* Ohio State U Pennsylvania State U \* Rochester Institute of Technology \* Southern New Hampshire U \* St. Bonaventure U \* St. John Fisher C \* SUNY Brockport \* SUNY Buffalo \* SUNY Fredonia \* SUNY Oswego \* Towson U \* US Air Force \* US Marine Corps \* US Navy \* University of Akron \* Villa Maria C \* Work Force \* Xavier U

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