

# Pekin Community High School

## District 303 Profile

### 2020-2021



**Mission Statement:** In partnership with the community, we engage, prepare, and empower our students for a lifetime of success through diverse opportunities.

#### District and Community

Pekin Community High School is located in Central Illinois approximately ten miles southwest of Peoria. As one of the largest downstate high schools, the park-like campus occupies 125 acres in the heart of Pekin. Including the Holman Tech Ed Center, the main campus buildings cover approximately 500,000 square feet. The school serves approximately 1,850 students in its 133 classrooms, a newly-renovated 10,000 square foot student Learning Commons, a foreign language lab and the F.M. Peterson Theater which seats 600. It also includes a natatorium and two gymnasiums. Every classroom is fully integrated with technology; we are also proud to offer blended, flipped and online classes as we have transitioned to a one-to-one environment in 2018.

The city of Pekin (population 34,094) is located in the west central portion of Illinois, along the eastern bank of the Illinois River. Pekin Community High School students come from five elementary districts and two private schools within and around the city. For more information about the city of Pekin and all it has to offer visit [www.pekinchamber.com](http://www.pekinchamber.com).

#### Academic Program

Designed to engage, prepare, and empower all students, the academic program at PCHS is extensive and diverse. During their academic career, students have the opportunity to choose from a wide variety of courses in both core and elective areas:

##### Course Offerings:

- 12 AP Courses: Literature, Language, Calculus AB, Statistics, Environmental Science, Chemistry, Physics 1, Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, Psychology, European History, and U.S. History
- Dual Credit Courses: English 110/111, Chemistry 130, Biology 110/111, Economics 110/111, American History, Health Occupations II, Computer Networking I/II, Computer Repair, CAD Drafting, Manufacturing II
- 4 Foreign Languages: French, German, Latin, and Spanish
- 56 CTE Courses: Includes child care, nursing assistant, business, culinary arts, imaging, engineering, JROTC, computer technician, manufacturing, and construction, among others.
- PCHS is a Project Lead the Way school in the Pathway to Engineering Program.

##### Other Opportunities:

- Work-Based Learning: PCHS students have the opportunity to seek and obtain internships at area companies and businesses.
- Independent Study: Students who have completed all classes in a specific program can arrange independent study with instructor's approval.
- Community Service: During the school day, students can volunteer as tutors, and they have multiple opportunities to donate their time to after-school events and programs.
- Extracurricular activities: PCHS offers over 50 clubs and organizations for students to be involved in throughout the school.

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# PCHS Academic Information



Grading System			
Grade	Percent	Points	AP/
A	100-90	4	5
B	89-80	3	4
C	79-70	2	3
D	69-60	1	2
F	59-00	0	0

**Rank**

**PCHS Students are not ranked.**

Valedictorian and senior academic awards are determined by GPA.

**Class of 2021 Senior Enrollment: 408**

**1st day 9th grade : Aug. 18, 2017**

**Last day 12th grade : May 11, 2021**

Class of 2020 Average SAT Scores			
	PCHS	State	National
Reading & Writing	475	540	531
Math	491	544	528
Total Score	967	1084	1059

Graduation Requirements for Class of 2020	
<b>English</b> — 1,2,3,4 (Speech),5,6 and one of the following senior year courses: Research Writing, Composition or Technical Communication are required for graduation.	<b>4.0</b>
<b>Social Studies</b> —U.S. History and American Government including Constitution Test	<b>2.5</b>
<b>Mathematics</b> —One year of Algebra and Geometry content	<b>3.0</b>
<b>Science</b> —Minimum 2 years of lab science is recommended	<b>2.0</b>
<b>General Studies</b> —One year chosen from music, foreign language, art, drama or vocational education.	<b>1.0</b>
<b>Consumer Education</b> —Consumer Economics, Economics, or one year Cooperative Work Program fulfills requirement.	<b>.5</b>
<b>Health</b>	<b>.5</b>
<b>Drivers Education</b> —Classroom	<b>.25</b>
<b>Physical Education</b>	<b>3.5</b>
<b>Electives</b>	<b>5.0</b>
<b>Total Credits:</b>	<b>22.25</b>

**Class of 2020 AP Test Scores**

Total Students Taking Exams: 69

Total Exams Taken: 136

Results: 61 out of 136 exams (44.9%) earned a 3, 4, or 5.

Class of 2020 Post-Secondary	
Four-Year College	26%
Two-Year College	47%
Technical School	5%
Military	8%
Join Workforce/Career	14%



**Pekin Community High School...The Opportunity Is Here The Fire is Within**