

# Passaic Valley Regional High School

## SCHOOL PROFILE

2020-2021



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## COMMUNITIES

Comprising the communities of Little Falls, Totowa, and Woodland Park, the regional district, is served by Passaic Valley Regional High School. According to the 2010 census, the total population was 37,742 with nearly equal distribution in the three districts. The regional district lies just west of the city of Paterson and 15 miles from New York City. The three communities, while primarily residential, are not without industry, much of which is located in well-planned, attractive industrial parks. Many of these industries are national and internationally known. The citizenry is composed of professionals, technicians, skilled artisans and laborers. Some work locally while others commute daily to New York City and the surrounding communities.

## SCHOOL

Passaic Valley is a four-year comprehensive public high school housing approximately 1050 students. Opening in 1940, the school has had a long and distinguished history as a New Jersey secondary school and is accredited by the New Jersey Department of Education. PV participates in partnerships with Fairleigh Dickinson University Middle College Program, Kean University, Montclair State University, Berkeley College, Bergen Community College and Passaic County Community College, whereby students earn college credit for selected courses. In 2019 a new partnership was also developed with William Paterson University to create opportunities for students to earn post-secondary certifications while in high school.

## CURRICULUM

### GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

<b>ENGLISH</b>	20 CREDITS	<b>WORLD LANGUAGE</b>	5 CREDITS
<b>MATHEMATICS</b>	15 CREDITS	<b>21<sup>st</sup> CENTURY LIFE &amp; CAREERS</b>	5 CREDITS
<b>SCIENCE</b>	15 CREDITS	<b>VISUAL &amp; PERFORMING ARTS</b>	5 CREDITS
<b>US HISTORY</b>	10 CREDITS	<b>FINANCIAL LITERACY</b>	2.5 CREDITS
<b>WORLD HISTORY</b>	5 CREDITS	<b>PHYSICAL EDUCATION &amp; HEALTH</b>	5 CREDITS FOR EACH YEAR OF ENROLLMENT
<b>TECHNOLOGY AS OUTLINED IN THE CCCS IS INTEGRATED THROUGHOUT THE CURRICULUM</b>			
<b>STUDENTS MUST DEMONSTRATE GRADUATION ASSESSMENT PROFICIENCY AS OUTLINED BY THE NJDOE</b>			

Students are offered a comprehensive range of courses designed to address academic goals, learning needs, career interests and college plans. All courses prepare students for post-secondary success. Students are encouraged to challenge themselves with appropriate rigor while maintaining balance. For more information, please see the Passaic Valley High School Program of Studies.

### 30 HONORS COURSES OFFERED

<b>ENGLISH</b>	ENGLISH I H, ENGLISH II H, ENGLISH III H, ENGLISH IV H
<b>MATHEMATICS</b>	ALGEBRA I H, GEOMETRY H, ALGEBRA II H, PRECALCULUS H
<b>SCIENCE</b>	BIOLOGY H, CHEMISTRY H, PHYSICS H, ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY H
<b>SOCIAL STUDIES</b>	WORLD HISTORY H, US HISTORY I H, US HISTORY II H
<b>WORLD LANGUAGE</b>	FRENCH II H, FRENCH III H, FRENCH IV H, ITALIAN II H, ITALIAN III H, ITALIAN IV H, SPANISH II H, SPANISH III H, SPANISH IV H
<b>VISUAL &amp; PERFORMING ARTS</b>	BAND HONORS, CONCERT CHOIR HONORS, ADVANCED 3-D DESIGN HONORS, ADVANCED PERFORMANCE ART HONORS, PAINTING HONORS, PORTFOLIO HONORS

### 16 ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES OFFERED

<b>ENGLISH</b>	ENGLISH LANGUAGE & COMPOSITION, ENGLISH LITERATURE & COMPOSITION
<b>MATHEMATICS</b>	CALCULUS AB, STATISTICS
<b>SCIENCE</b>	BIOLOGY, CHEMISTRY, PHYSICS, ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE
<b>SOCIAL STUDIES</b>	US GOVERNMENT & POLITICS, US HISTORY, HUMAN GEOGRAPHY
<b>WORLD LANGUAGE</b>	ITALIAN LANGUAGE & CULTURE, SPANISH LANGUAGE & CULTURE
<b>STEM</b>	COMPUTER SCIENCE PRINCIPLES, COMPUTER SCIENCE A
<b>VISUAL &amp; PERFORMING ARTS</b>	STUDIO ART 2D DESIGN
<i>22 Students in 2019-2020 were recognized as AP Scholars, 6 students as AP Scholars with Honor and 6 as AP Scholars with Distinction</i>	

## 18 DUAL ENROLLMENT COURSES OFFERED

<b>ENGLISH</b>	ENGLISH III H, ENGLISH IV H
<b>SCIENCE</b>	ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY H
<b>SOCIAL STUDIES</b>	US HISTORY II H, HOLOCAUST, GENOCIDE & MODERN HUMANITY
<b>WORLD LANGUAGE</b>	FRENCH IV H, ITALIAN IV H, SPANISH IV H
<b>CRIMINAL JUSTICE</b>	INVESTIGATIVE FUNCTIONS, INTRO TO LAW, INTRO TO CRIMINAL JUSTICE, JUVENILE DELINQUENCY & YOUTH CRIME
<b>BROADCASTING</b>	INTRODUCTION TO COMMUNICATION ARTS & MEDIA, TELEVISION PRODUCTION, ADVANCED TELEVISION PRODUCTION
<b>BUSINESS</b>	INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS PRACTICE FIRM
<b>ENGINEERING</b>	PRINCIPLES OF ENGINEERING DESIGN, COMPUTER AIDED DESIGN & MODELING I

## CLASS RANK AND GRADING

Class rank is based on a student's final grade point average at the end of each academic year grades 9-11. Class rank for seniors is calculated at the conclusion of the second marking period to determine valedictorian and salutatorian. Passaic Valley follows the National Association of Secondary School Principals' Guidelines for determining rank. For all courses not noted as Honors or AP, class rank will be determined by dividing the number of attempted credits completed into the total value of the grades, using A=4, B=3, C=2, D=1 and F=0. Grades of Pass/Fail or Audit are not included in the calculation of class rank.

## GRADING SCALE

### SCALE AND CONVERSION VALUES

PERCENT RANGE	LETTER GRADE	STANDARD GPA	HONORS GPA	AP GPA
97 - 100	A+	4.25	4.75	5.25
93 - 96	A	4.0	4.5	5.0
92 - 90	A-	3.75	4.25	4.75
87 - 89	B+	3.25	3.75	4.25
83 - 86	B	3.0	3.5	4.0
80 - 82	B-	2.75	3.25	3.75
77 - 79	C+	2.25	2.75	3.25
73 - 76	C	2.0	2.5	3.0
70 - 72	C-	1.75	2.25	2.75
68 - 69	D+	1.25	1.75	2.25
65 - 67	D	1.0	1.5	2.0
50 - 64	F	0	0	0

### ACADEMIC HONORS

#### *Superintendent's Commended Honors*

Equal to or greater than 4.25 with no grade lower than C

#### *First Honors*

Equal to or greater than 3.6 but less than 4.25 with no grade lower than C

#### *Second Honors*

Equal to or greater than 3.0 but less than 3.6 with no grade lower

### OTHER GRADE NOTATIONS

**NC** No Credit due to irregular attendance

**WF** Withdrawn from a course, grade was failing

**WP** Withdrawn from a course, grade was passing

**AU** Audit

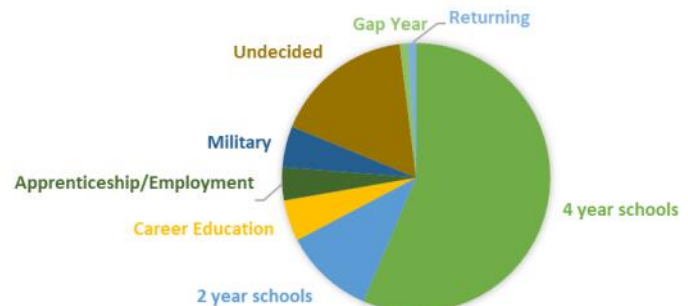
**P** Passing

## SAT/ACT SCORES

TEST	PVHS AVERAGE
SAT ERW	528
SAT Math	533
ACT- Reading	23.5
ACT- English	23.9
ACT- Math	24.9
ACT- Science	23.1
ACT- STEM	24.3

## STUDENT OUTCOMES

### POST SECONDARY PLACEMENT CLASS OF 2020



## COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES

**We proudly celebrate the post-secondary acceptances of ALL 2020 Passaic Valley graduates!**

Academy of Art University	Hood College	Rowan University
University of Alabama	Hunter College of the CUNY	Rutgers University
Albright College	Iona College	Sacred Heart University
American University	Ithaca College	College of Saint Elizabeth
Arcadia University	James Madison University	Saint Joseph's University
Artistic Academy	Johnson & Wales University	Saint Peter's University
Bergen Community College	Kean University	Savannah College of Art and Design
Berkeley College	Kings College	School of Visual Arts
Binghamton University	Kutztown University	University of the Sciences in Philadelphia
Bloomfield College	La Salle University	The University of Scranton
Boston University	Lehigh University	Seton Hall University
SUNY Broome Community College	Laboratory Institute of Merchandising	University of Southern California
Broward College	Liberty University	St. John's University
Bucknell University	Lincoln Technical Institute	Stanford University
Caldwell University	Loyola Marymount University	State College of Florida, Bradenton
University of California, Berkeley	Lycoming College	Stevens Institute of Technology
University of California, Davis	University of Maine	Stockton University
Calvin University	Manhattan College	Stony Brook University
Centenary University	Marist College	SUNY Albany
Central Penn College	Maryland Institute College of Art	SUNY Buffalo State College
The Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina	University of Maryland, College Park	Susquehanna University
City College of NY	Marymount Manhattan College	Syracuse University
Clarkson University	University of Massachusetts	The University of Tampa
Colby College	University of Miami	Temple University
The College of Saint Rose	Monmouth University	University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Columbia University	Montclair State University	The New School - All Divisions
Columbus Sate University	Montserrat College of Art and Design	Temple University
University of Connecticut	Moravian College	Towson University
Choppin State University	Morgan State University	United States Merchant Marine Academy
Cornell University	Mount Saint Mary College	Universal Technical Institute
County College of Morris	New England College	University at Buffalo The State University of New York
University of Delaware	University of New Hampshire at Durham	University of Oxford
Drew University	University of New Haven	Union County College
Drexel University	New Jersey City University	United States Naval Academy
Duquesne University	New Jersey Institute of Technology	The University of the Arts
Eastwick College	The College of New Jersey	Vassar College
Elizabethtown College	New York Institute of Technology	University of Vermont
Emmanuel College	North Carolina State University	Villanova University
Essex County College	University of Notre Dame	Virginia Tech
Fairleigh Dickinson University	Ocean County College	Wagner College
Fashion Institute of Technology	University of Oregon	Washington University in St. Louis
Felician University	Pace University	Wesley College
Florida Institute of Technology	Passaic County Community College	West Chester University of Pennsylvania
Fordham University	Pennsylvania State University	West Virginia University
George Mason University	University of Pennsylvania	Western New England University
George Washington University	Perdue University	Widener University
Georgia Institute of Technology	University of Pittsburgh	Wilkes University
Georgian Court University	Princeton University	William Paterson University of NJ
Harvard University	Quinnipiac University	Williams College
Hartwick College	Ramapo College of New Jersey	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
High Point University	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	University of Wyoming
Hobart William Smith Colleges	University of Rhode Island	Xavier University
Hofstra University	Rider University	Yale University
	Rochester Institute of Technology	