

Parkway West High School

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A NATIONAL RECOGNITION SCHOOL

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PARKWAY SCHOOL DISTRICT & COMMUNITY

The Parkway School District is in a suburban residential community located approximately 20 miles west of St. Louis in St. Louis County. It is the eighth largest district in the state and has 4 high schools. The district draws an ethnically diverse population from its neighborhoods and a city-county desegregation program. The mission of the Parkway School District is to ensure all students are capable, curious, caring and confident learners who understand and respond to the challenges of an ever-changing world.

PARKWAY WEST HIGH SCHOOL

Parkway West High School is a public four-year comprehensive high school; grades 9, 10, 11 and 12. West High has 4 comprehensive counselors and 1 college and career counselor

Enrollment: 1442

Staff: 131

Calendar & Schedule: The school year, which is divided into two semesters, has 178 days. During the 2018-2020 school years Parkway West utilized a hybrid schedule which combined blocked and traditional scheduling and allowed students to take seven courses per semester, explore deeper levels of academic content areas, and prepare for a college schedule. For the 2020-2021 school year West shifted to quarters with students taking 4 classes per quarter. Quarter 1 and 2 were full virtual. **Beginning the 2021-2022 school year West High's schedule will consist of all block classes with a built in Academic Lab.**

Special Programs: Parkway West High is the site of a comprehensive program for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Students as well as the MOSAICS program for exceptionally and highly gifted students. Students are offered the opportunity to apply to the SPARK! program which is an immersion-based student learning experience where they can engage, partner and work collaboratively with business partners and community leaders to develop and design their educational goals and learning process. Additionally, West partners with South Technical School to provide students with a ½ day program which provides students with career and technical education that prepares them for continuing education and the workforce.

DEMOGRAPHICS

Asian	Black	Hispanic	Multi-Racial	White
16%	12%	4%	6%	62%

9% of students receive Free/Reduced lunch benefits.

ACCREDITATION

North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools
Missouri Department of Education (AAA)

West High is a member of the National Association of College Admission Counselors and complies with the NACAC Statement of Principles of Good Practice.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS: 24 Units

English: 4 units	Career & Technical Education: 1 unit
Mathematics: 3 units	Physical Education: 1 unit
Social Studies: 3 units	Health: 0.5 units
Science: 3 units	Personal Finance: 0.5 units
Fine Arts: 1 unit	Electives: 7 units

Community Service and extracurricular activities are all voluntary.

CURRICULUM

Students are advised as to the most appropriate course levels on the basis of achievement and teacher/counselor recommendations. A listing of all honors and Advanced Placement courses is provided in the next column. College credit may be awarded to students who successfully complete special grade level courses offered through the University of Missouri-St. Louis, Missouri Baptist University, Missouri State University, Webster, Missouri S&T, and St. Louis University.

LATIN HONORS

Beginning with the graduating class of 2016, the Parkway School District transitioned to a non-ranking district. Recognition of graduates now utilizes the Latin honors system.

Summa Cum Laude: cumulative grade point average of 4.0 and above

Magna Cum Laude: cumulative grade point average of 3.75-3.99

Cum Laude: cumulative grade point average of 3.5-3.74

GRADES: Based on a 4.0 scale

Grades are weighted (designated by "+") based on rigor of coursework:

Grades	Regular	Honors (+)
H	-	5.0
A, A-	4.0	4.5
B+, B, B-	3.0	3.5
C+, C, C-	2.0	2.5
D+, D, D-	1.0	1.5
F	0.0	0.0

Other indications on the transcript:

I = Incomplete (no credit)	P = Pass (credit only)
X = Medical excuse (no credit)	H = weighted (highest potential) grade
AU = Audit (no credit)	+ in course title = weighted credit
HS = Home Schooling (no credit)	* in course title = modified credit

STANDARDIZED TESTING DATA

ACT

- 327 students tested
- Average of Highest Composite = 22.73

SAT

- 59 students tested
- Average on 1600 scale = 1284

MISSOURI BRIGHT FLIGHT SCHOLARS

The Missouri Higher Education Academic Scholarship Program is a merit-based program for top-ranked high school seniors to attend approved Missouri postsecondary schools. Students must earn a qualifying ACT score of 32 (full) or 31 (partial) to receive this recognition.

64 students from the class of 2022 were Bright Flight Scholars

NATIONAL MERIT RECOGNITION

15 National Merit Semi-Finalists for 2022-2023

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ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMINATIONS

In 2023, 452 students took 873 Advanced Placement (AP) examinations.

2-D Art and Design	10	Latin	3
Biology	22	Macroeconomics	21
Calculus AB	55	Microeconomics	22
Calculus BC	39	Music Theory	11
Chemistry	18	Physics 1	32
Comp Gov & Politics	17	Physics 2	2
Computer Science A	41	Physics E & M	24
Drawing	9	Physics C – Mech	28
Eng Lang & Comp	99	Psychology	30
Eng Lit & Comp	34	Spanish Lang & Cult.	12
Environmental Science	15	Statistics	55
European History	11	US Gov & Politics	102
French Lang & Culture	5	United States History	29
German Lang & Cult	3	World History: Mod	80
Human Geography	44		

Percent receiving scores of 3 or higher: 81.0%

POST-GRADUATE PLANS

The graduating class of 2023 reported the following plans:

- 4-year colleges = 78%
- 2-year colleges = 13%
- Military = 1%
- Other = 8%

Of the students attending 4-year colleges/universities:

- In-state = 50%
- Out-of-state = 50%
- Private colleges = 45%
- Public colleges = 55%

HONORS & ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSE OFFERINGS (BY YEAR AVAILABLE)

GRADE 9 OFFERINGS

+AP Human Geography
 +Honors English I
 +Honors Forces & Motion
 +Honors Geometry (9th-10th)
 +Honors Introduction to Engineering Design (9th-12th) (PLTW)
 +Honors Matter & Change

GRADE 10 OFFERINGS

+AP Music Theory (10th-12th)
 +AP World History (10th-12th)
 +Honors Algebra II/Trigonometry (10th-11th)
 +Honors Biology 1: Cells & Variation (10th)
 +Honors Biology 2: Evolution & Ecology (10th)
 +Honors Chemistry (10th-12th)
 +Honors English II
 +Honors Principles of Engineering (10th-12th) (PLTW)

GRADE 11 OFFERINGS

+AP Art History 1 (11th-12th)
 +AP Art History 2 (11th-12th)
 +AP Biology (11th-12th)
 +AP Chemistry (11th-12th)
 +AP Comparative Government and Politics (11th-12th)
 +AP Computer Science (11th-12th)
 +AP English Language
 +AP Environmental Science (11th-12th)
 +AP European History (11th-12th)
 +AP Macro Economics (11th-12th)
 +AP Micro Economics (11th-12th)
 +AP Physics 1 (11th-12th)
 +AP Physics C: Mechanics (11th-12th)
 +AP Physics C: Electricity & Magnetism (11th-12th)
 +AP Psychology (11th-12th)
 +AP Statistics (11th-12th)
 +AP Studio Art (11th-12th)
 +AP Studio Art 2D Design (11th-12th)
 +AP US Government and Politics (11th-12th)
 +AP US History (11th-12th)
 +Honors Biotechnical Engineering (11th-12th) (PLTW)
 +Honors Biology 3: Biotechnology and Systems (11th-12th)
 +Honors Pre-Calculus (11th-12th)

GRADE 12 OFFERINGS

+AP Calculus AB
 +AP Calculus BC
 +AP English Literature and Composition
 +AP Physics 2
 +Honors Accounting 3
 +Honors French 5
 +Honors German 5
 +Honors Latin 5
 +Honors Spanish 5

HONORS OPTION OFFERINGS

Accounting 2	Music Theory
Actors Studio 2	Newspaper 3
Concert Choir Mixed	Newspaper 4
Concert Choir Treble	Spanish 4
Directing	Symphonic Band
French 4	Symphonic Orchestra
German 4	Yearbook 3
Human Anatomy and Physiology	Yearbook 4
Latin 4	

SPARK! LEARNING OFFERINGS

SPARK! Bioscience	SPARK! Sports Medicine
SPARK! Engineering	SPARK! Teaching & Learning
SPARK! Business Incubator	SPARK! Technology Solutions
SPARK! Pre-Professional Health Sciences Academy	

DUAL CREDIT OFFERINGS

AP Calculus BC	Painting 1, 2
AP Drawing	Personal Finance
2D Design	Photography
College Algebra	Pre-Calculus
Digital Design	Public Speaking
French 3, 4, 5	Spanish 3, 4, 5
German 3, 4, 5	SPARK! Incubator
Marketing 2	

MATRICULATION OVER PAST 4 YEARS

Alabama A&M University	Greenville University	Palm Beach Atlantic University
The University of Alabama	Grinnell College	University of Pittsburgh
American River College - Los Rios	Harris-Stowe State University	Portland State University
Anderson University-IN	Harvard College	University of Puget Sound
Arizona State University	Highland Community College	Purdue University
Arizona Western College	Hillsdale College	Quincy University
The University of Arizona	Howard University	Ranken Technical College
University of Arkansas	Univ of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	Rend Lake College
Ball State University	Illinois College	Rhodes College
Baylor University	Illinois State University	Rochester Institute of Technology
Belmont University	Indiana State University	Rockhurst University
Berklee College of Music	Indiana University at Bloomington	Rose-Hulman Institute of Tech
Boston College	University of Indianapolis	Rutgers University-New Brunswick
Bradley University	The University of Iowa	Saint Louis University
Brigham Young University	Jefferson College	Saint Louis University, Madrid
Brigham Young University, Idaho	Johns Hopkins University	San Diego Mesa College
Brigham Young University-Hawaii	Kansas City Art Institute	University of San Francisco
University of British Columbia	University of Kansas	Savannah Coll of Art & Design
Butler University	Kent State University	Seattle University
California State Univ-Monterey Bay	University of Kentucky	Simpson College
California State Univ-Northridge	The King's College	Southeast MO State University
University of California, Berkeley	Langston University	University of Southern California
University of California, Irvine	Lewis University	Southern IL Univ-Carbonale
Carnegie Mellon University	Lincoln Land Community College	Southern IL Univ-Edwardsville
Carroll University (Wisconsin)	Lincoln University	Southern Methodist University
Case Western Reserve University	Lindenwood University	Southern Utah University
Cedarville University	Lindenwood University - Belleville	Southwest Baptist University
University of Central Arkansas	Lipscomb University	St. Charles Community College
Central Methodist University	Loras College	St. Louis College of Pharmacy
University of Central Missouri	Louisiana State University	St. Louis Community College
University of Chicago	University of Louisville	St. Olaf College
University of Cincinnati	Loyola University Chicago	St. Petersburg College
Clemson University	Loyola University New Orleans	Stevens College
Coffeyville Community College	Marian University - Indianapolis	Stetson University
University of Colorado at Boulder	Maryville University	Suffolk University
Colorado State University	McKendree University	The University of Tampa
Columbia College Chicago	Mercy College - All Campuses	Taylor University
Columbia University	Miami University, Oxford	Tennessee State University
Concordia University Wisconsin	University of Miami	Texas A&M University
Cornell University	Michigan State University	Texas Christian University
Creighton University	University of Michigan	Texas Southern University
Culver-Stockton College	Millikin University	Texas Tech University
Delta State University	University of Minnesota, Twin Cities	The University of Texas, Austin
DePaul University	Mississippi State University	Amer Musical & Dramatic Acad
DePauw University	University of Mississippi	Truman State University
DeSales University	Missouri Baptist University	Tulane University
Drake University	MO Southern State University	Tulsa Welding School
Drexel University	MO State University	University of Tulsa
Earlham College	MO Univ of Science & Tech	University of York
East Central College	MO Western State Univ	Utah State University
Eastern Illinois University	University of MO-Columbia	Utah State Univ-Coll of East Utah
Eastern Kentucky University	University of MO-Kansas City	University of Utah
Eastman-U of Rochester	University of MO-St. Louis	Valparaiso University
Elmhurst College	Murray State University	Vanderbilt University
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University	New York University	Virginia Tech
Emory University	North Central College	Washington Univ- St. Louis
University of Evansville	Northwest MO State Univ	Webster University
Fontbonne University	Northwestern University	West Virginia University
Fordham University	University of Notre Dame	Western Kentucky University
Gallaudet University	Ohio Christian University	Westminster College - MO
The George Washington University	Ohio Wesleyan University	Wheaton College IL
The George Washington University	Oklahoma State University	William & Mary
Georgetown University	The University of Oklahoma	William Jewell College
Georgia Institute of Technology	University of Oregon	Univ of Wisconsin, Madison
Georgia State University	Ottawa University	Univ of Wisconsin, Milwaukee
University of Georgia	Ozarks Tech Comm College	Xavier University
Global College at Long Island Univ	The College of the Ozarks	Yale University
Grambling State University		