

2024-25 School Profile

Type: Public,
four-year (9-12)
comprehensive

Size:
Freshmen: 636
Sophomores: 703
Juniors: 727
Seniors: 603
■ **Total: 2,669**

Demographics

ELL:..... 19.1%
SPED:15.21%
SES: Community Eligibility
Provision for 2024

Administration

Principals:
Calvin Hubbard
Fawn Gernstein (Asst. Principal)

Academy Principals:

Jared Bombeck, AFE
Matt Wichman, AET
Nate Helzer, ABC
D.W. Holley, ATS
Greg Schlegel, AMSE

Programs:

Success: Dr. Ken DeFrank
Skills: Claudia Demko Reno
OMB: Dr. Jonathan Doll

Activities Office

Chris Ladwig, Director
Eon Lemburg, Asst. Director

Counselors:

Stacy Quinteros, AFE - Gold
Shaun Willey, AFE - Purple
Dave Woods, ABC 10-12
Julie Markvicka, AELPS, 10-12
Mindy Ulmer, AET 10-12
Alex Niederklein, AMSE 11-12
Melissa Luthi-Placke & Kathleen
Townsend, ATS 10-12/Newcomers
Jeffery Westerby, Alternate Sites
Kathleen Townsend, CBI

CEEB ACT Code: 280-955

NDE/NCA Accreditation:

Grand Island Senior High is
accredited by both the Nebraska
Department of Education and North
Central Association Commission
on Accreditation and School
Improvement.

In compliance with the Family
Educational Rights and Privacy Act
of 1974, a transcript is provided
for employment, financial aid,
or admission purposes only. The
law prohibits permitting access to
student records by another party
without written consent of the
concerned.

Uses September 15, 2024 data.

Academies of Grand Island Senior High

- Academy of Freshman Exploration
- Academy of Technical Sciences
- Academy of Medical Sciences & Education
- Academy of Business & Communication
- Academy of Engineering & Technology

School Calendar

Grand Island Senior High uses an A/B block schedule, with four 90-minute periods on each day. The school year consists of two 18-week semester grading periods.

Grading Scale:

A – 90-100%
B – 80-89%
C – 70-79%
D – 60-69%
F – Below 60%
(Fail)
P – Non-graded
course (Pass)

Graduation Requirements

English	40
Mathematics	30
Science (Physical - 10; Biology - 10; General - 10)	30
Social Studies	30
(American History - 10; World History - 10; Government - 5; Economics - 5)	
Personal Finance	5
Physical Ed/Health	10
Electives	95
Total Credits	240

Course Weighting & Latin Graduation Designations

Grades	AP Courses	Regular	Latin Designations	GPA
A	5.00	4.00	Summa Cum Laude	4.00+
B	4.00	3.00	Magna Cum Laude	3.75-3.99
C	3.00	2.00	Cum Laude	3.5-3.74
D	2.00	1.00		
F	.00	.00		

Total Graduates in Class of 2024 by Ethnicity

Total graduates in class	588	
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*%
Asian	7	(1.2%)
Black or African American	23	(3.9%)
Hispanic	340	(57.8%)
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	*	*%
White	203	(34.5%)
Two or more	14	(2.4%)

GPA Distribution *

GPA is computed by the school management software, Synergy. All graded courses are included in GPA. Pass/Fail courses are not computed.

Class of	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Top 25%*	3.76	3.76	3.73	3.75	3.78
Top 50%	3.41	3.40	3.36	3.38	3.41
Top 75%	3.07	3.07	3.03	3.05	3.08

* Example: 25% of Class of 2019 had GPA 3.40 and above.

Note: The calculation for weighted GPAs was updated from 2019-20 onward.

ACT Mean Composite**

Class of	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
Local	20.9	17.3	17.3	17.5	16.45
Nebraska	19.9	20.0	19.4	19.2	19.4
National	20.6	20.3	19.8	19.5	20.6
% Tested	100%	100%	88%***	100%	100%

**The ACT has been given to all students starting with the Class of 2018.

***COVID year with ACT given in the fall, senior year, and not reaching 100%.

Post High School Plans

Class of	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
4-yr. college/univ.	41%	53%	57%	40%	44%
2-yr. college	38%	21%	14%	22%	29%
Military service	4%	3%	5%	3%	4%
Employment	17%	23%	27%	35%	23%

2024-25 Core Curriculum Transcript Codes

(AP) - Advanced Placement
(weighted grade)

Dual Credit (DC)*

(CCC) - Central Community College
(WSC) Wayne State College

*DC also included in some AP course

Communicative Arts

- English I, II, III, IV
- English II (Honors)
- Journalism
- Speech WSC
- ELA Comp WSC
- Expository Writing WSC
- AP English Lit & Comp*
- AP English Language & Comp*

World Languages

- German I, II
- Spanish I, II
- Spanish III & IV WSC
- Spanish for Native Speakers I & II WSC
- AP Spanish

Mathematics

- Algebra I & II
- Algebra II (Honors)
- Geometry
- Geometry (Honors)
- Pre-Calculus
- Pre Calculus (Honors)
- Prob & Stats
- AP Statistics*
- AP Calculus AB*
- AP Calculus BC

Social Studies

- American History
- American Government
- American Government WSC
- Economics
- Sociology/Psychology
- World History
- AP Psychology
- AP Government*
- AP World History*
- AP Macroeconomics
- AP Microeconomics

Science

- Integrated Science I, II, III
- Biology I
- Chemistry I
- SCI Astronomy WSC
- Physics
- Anatomy/Physiology
- Environmental Science
- AP Biology*
- AP Chemistry
- AP Physics I & AP Physics II*

Extended Curriculum

GISH extended curriculum includes a variety of courses including:

AFJROTC; Physical Education; Fine Arts; JAG; FCS; Medical Sciences; Technical Sciences; Business & Communication; Engineering & Technology; Education, Law & Public Safety.

Advanced Coursework

AP classes: 16
Dual Credit: 69

Satellite Campuses

Career Pathways Institute

Home of the Academy of Technical Sciences and the Academy of Engineering & Technology

AFJROTC (ended in 2023)

This partnership with the United States Air Force comprises studies in aerospace science and leadership education.

Alternative Opportunities

GISH Online

Assigned Independent Study allows students to take core courses individually. Students work on-site with accredited instructors on a personalized learning plan.

Ombudsman

GIPS contracts with Ombudsman (OMB) to provide an off-site educational experience for at-risk students.

Success Academy

Success is an off-site educational setting serving students in grades 6-12 offering a personalized alternative to traditional classrooms.

Skills Academy

Skills is an off-site educational setting serving students in grades 1-12 who have special education plans.

Workforce Prep

Workforce Prep Academy is an innovative school year program that provides opportunities for career exploration, employment preparation, and work experiences for students with special education plans.