



2021-2022 SCHOOL PROFILE

The Faculty

Executive Principal: Dr. Shuler Pelham

Assistant Principals: Eric Arteberry, Beatriz Salgado, Dr. Kenya Reese, Riley Walker

School Counselors: Teri Deel, Brian Ketner, Heather Neisen, Susan Vaughn

Small Learning Community/Academy Coach: Melissa Wrenne

Faculty: 83 members; 44 have Masters or Educational Specialist degrees, 9 have Doctorate degrees

MNPS Grading System			
100-point	Unweighted	Honors	AP/IB/DE/Cambridge/ Dual Credit (DC)/Industry Certification (IC)/AICE/SSMV
A = 93 - 100	4.0	4.5	5.0
B = 85 - 92	3.0	3.5	4.0
C = 75 - 84	2.0	2.5	3.0
D = 70 - 74	1.0	1.5	2.0
F = 50 - 69	0.0	0	0

Class of 2022 GPA Distribution (as of the end of Junior Year)		
Decile	Unweighted	Weighted
First	3.78 - 4.00	4.15 - 4.62
Second	3.53 - 3.77	3.83 - 4.14
Third	3.26 - 3.52	3.62 - 3.82
Fourth	3.02 - 3.25	3.26 - 3.61
Fifth	2.78 - 3.01	2.93 - 3.25
Sixth	2.48 - 2.77	2.71 - 2.92
Seventh	2.23 - 2.47	2.38 - 2.70

ACT AVERAGES	ACT Composite	ACT Science	ACT Reading	ACT English	ACT Math
Academy of Global Health & Science	15.4	15.8	15.5	14.2	15.7
Academy of the IB Diploma Programme	23.7	22.8	25.0	24.9	21.6
USCCU Academy of International Business & Communication	15.9	15.9	16.2	14.9	15.8
Hillsboro Class of 2022 Overall	18.3	18.1	18.9	18.0	17.7

Hillsboro High School and COVID-19

Hillsboro High School and all of Metro Nashville Public Schools (MNPS) moved to online learning due to COVID-19 in early March 2020 approximately one week before the end of the third quarter. This immediately followed a week of missed school due to tornado recovery efforts in Nashville. In most cases, students' third quarter grades became their final second semester grades for the Spring 2020 semester. All MNPS students were learning virtually for the 2020-21 school year until March 3, 2021. At that point, families were given the opportunity to choose in-person learning or remain virtual. MNPS has moved to all in-person learning for the 2021-22 school year.

The School

Hillsboro High School opened in 1939 and is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. In 2004, the school earned status as an International Baccalaureate World School. Since that time, 265 students have earned an IB Diploma. Currently all students in the 9th and 10th grades are enrolled in the IB Middle Years Programme. Students entering the 11th grade have the option to continue their IB-based studies by pursuing the IB Diploma, IB Career-Related Certificate or taking one IB-level course as a Course Completer. The school was approved to offer the IB Career-Related Certificate Programme in 2013 and graduated its first cohort of IBCP students in 2015. The school is on an A/B block schedule and follows a semester system with one-half credit earned per course each semester.

The Students

Student enrollment is 1211. The Class of 2022 consists of 286 seniors, of which 65% are expected to enroll in a four-year college and 20% attending a two-year institution, which has been consistent for the past decade. Students in the Class of 2022 were offered several million in scholarships and are currently attending schools such as Vanderbilt University, DePaul University, Ohio State University, Dickinson College, Pace University, Tufts University, American University, Clark Atlanta University, Lipscomb University,

Belmont University, Middle Tennessee State University, Missouri State University, Georgetown University, University of Tennessee, Morehouse College, The University of Alabama, Rhodes College, Washington University in St. Louis and more.

Ranking

Metro Nashville Public Schools does not rank other than the valedictorian and salutatorian, which is based on the weighted GPA. MNPS also does not provide decile rankings unless absolutely required.

The Curriculum

Hillsboro High School requires 27.5 credits accumulated in high school level courses: 4 English, 4 mathematics, 3 science, 3.5 social studies, 1 Lifetime Wellness, 0.5 physical education, 3 in an “elective focus” area, and additional electives to total 28 credits. Students must choose a career or thematic academy in 10th grade, which will determine the courses that will satisfy the elective focus requirement. The career and thematic academies available at Hillsboro are the Academy of Global Health and Sciences, the US Community Credit Union Academy of International Business and Communications, and the Academy of the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme.

Students in the **Academy of Global Health and Sciences** must complete their elective focus requirement in one of three pathway options. The first pathway option is Therapeutic Clinical Services consisting of courses in Health Science, Anatomy & Physiology, and Medical Assisting. The second pathway option is Sports & Human Performance, which consists of courses in Health Science, Rehabilitation Careers, and Exercise Science. The third pathway is Interdisciplinary Sciences and Research, which is taught by an instructor from Vanderbilt University and includes four years of intensive science instruction and summer research requirements.

The **US Community Credit Union Academy of Business and Communications** houses three pathway options. Marketing Management includes courses in Marketing I, Marketing II, and Retail Operations. In the second pathway, Audio Visual (A/V) Production, students take courses in A/V I, A/V II, and A/V III. In the third pathway, Banking and Finance, students take courses in Accounting I, Banking and Finance, and Financial Planning.

Students in **the Academy of the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme** are obligated to complete the specific requirements to earn the IB Diploma as established by the International Baccalaureate Organization. This program consists of IB-level courses in six core academic areas including English, history, mathematics, science, world languages, and the arts. These courses can be taken at either Standard Level (150 hours of study) or Higher Level (240 hours of study). In addition to the six core subjects, students are also required to take a course titled Theory of Knowledge, write a 4,000 word research-based Extended Essay, and complete a Creativity, Action, and Service program. Due to the nature of the A/B schedule all IB courses are taught over two years in order to meet the contact hour’s requirement.

A new addition to **the Academy of the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme** is the Advanced STEM Applications pathway. This pathway consists of STEM I, STEM II, and STEM III. The first full pathway completers will graduate in May 2023.

The **29 International Baccalaureate** classes offered include Personal and Professional Skills I and II, Biology II and III SL/HL, Business & Management I and II SL/HL, English Language Literature I and II SL/HL, French Ab Initio I and II, History of the Americas I and II, Math Applications I and II SL/HL, Environmental Systems I SL/HL, Psychology I and II SL/HL, Spanish I and II SL/HL, Spanish Ab Initio I and II SL, Sports Exercise Science I and II SL, Theatre Arts I and II SL/HL, Theory of Knowledge I and II, Visual Art I and II SL/HL. Most courses are available to junior and senior students not in the IB Diploma Programme academy but who are interested in becoming course completers in a specific subject area.

Hillsboro High offers **2 Advanced Placement** courses in the subjects of Human Geography and Spanish.

Two Dual Enrollment courses through Nashville State Community College are offered in English Composition I and English Composition II. **Four additional Dual Enrollment** courses are offered to ISR pathway students through Tennessee Tech.

Twenty honors level courses are offered in Biology I, Chemistry I, English I, English II, English III, English IV, Human Anatomy & Physiology, Integrated Math I, Integrated Math II, Integrated Math III, Interdisciplinary Science I, Interdisciplinary Science II, Interdisciplinary Science III, Interdisciplinary Science IV, Pre-calculus with Trig, Research I, Spanish II, Spanish III, U.S. History and Geography, World History and Geography.

Athletics and Extra Curricular Activities

Hillsboro athletics include Baseball, Basketball, Bowling, Cheerleading, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Soccer, Softball, Tennis, Track, Volleyball, and Wrestling. Extracurricular involvement is offered in Anime Club, Bike Club, Bill of Rights team, Biology Club, DECA, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, French Honor Society, Hillsboro Players (theatre), HOSA, Ice Hockey Club, Junior Achievement, Knitting Club, Lacrosse Club, Model Student Government Association, Swimming Club, Youth Legislature, Yearbook, and more.