



Apex High School - Home of the Cougars

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Mission Statement:

Wake County Public School System (WCPSS) will provide a relevant and engaging education and will graduate students who are collaborative, creative, effective communicators and critical thinkers.

General Information:

Apex High School is one of Wake County Public School System's thirty-one high schools. Our students participate in 39 varsity and junior varsity sports, 50 leadership and service-oriented clubs, and a full range of course offerings including Honors, Advanced Placement, and CTE Completers. The Academy of Information Technology (AOIT), an award-winning National Academy Foundation program, provides students with opportunities to study computer science, programming, database administration, web design, and other areas in the expanding digital workplace. The Class of 2021 had seven National Merit scholarship finalists and earned over four million dollars in scholarships.

School Details:

Current Enrollment: 2,425
Assistant Principals: 5
Teaching Faculty: 123
Senior Class: 495

Accreditation:

Cognia (formerly AdvancED)
North Carolina Department of Public Instruction

School Year:

180 days per year
4x4 block schedule; 88 minutes per class

Grading System

A = 90-100
B = 80-89
C = 70-79
D = 60-69
F = 0-59

Class Rank:

Use weighted, final course grades for class rank.
AP courses earn 1 extra quality point and Honors courses earn 0.5 extra quality points.

Postsecondary Plans, Class of 2021

4 Year College: 67%
2 Year Community College: 24%
Military/Work/Other: 8%

SAT Mean Scores for Class of 2021

Critical Reading: 605
Mathematics: 614

2020-21 AP Scores

Total Exams: 1267
Percentage earning a score of 3 or greater: 62%

Advanced Placement Courses (26):

Art History
Biology
Calculus AB, BC
Chemistry
Computer Science Principles
Computer Science
English Language & Composition
English Literature & Composition
Environmental Science
European History
French Language & Culture
German Language & Culture
Human Geography
Physics I: Algebra-Based
Physics II: Algebra-Based
Physics C Mechanics
Psychology
Spanish Language & Culture
Spanish Literature & Culture
Statistics
Studio Art 2-D Design, 3-D Design
US Government and Politics
US History
World History

Apex High School Student Services

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Wake County Public School System Graduation Requirements

English – English I, II, III, IV

Math – Math I, II, III, 4th Additional Math

Science – Earth/Environmental, Biology, a physical science (Chemistry, Physical Science, or Physics)

Social Studies – World History, Civics and Economics, American History I & II or AP US History & SS Elective

Healthful Living

Electives

-2 required electives of any combination from: Career & Technical Education, Arts, or World Language[^]
([^] Admission to a college/university in the University of North Carolina system requires 2 credits in a World Language.)

-4 elective credits strongly recommended (four-course concentration) from one of the following:

*Career and Technical Education (CTE)

*Arts Education (music, theater, visual arts, dance)

*JROTC

*Any other subject area (math, science, social studies, English, or cross-disciplinary)

-4 additional electives

Total Number of Credits = 26

Covid-19 Information

Per North Carolina State Board of Education [Policy GRAD-009](#), students in grades 9-11 during the 2019-20 school year were provided two options for final grades: Numeric grades or a PC19 or WC19. Numeric grades reflect the highest grade representing learning as of March 13, 2020 or as improved through the semester as remote learning continued. PC19 represents a passing grade and a full credit towards graduation; WC19 represents a lack of evidence of mastery in the course and indicates that the school is unable to award a full credit. Numeric grades are factored into the GPA and class rank; PC19 and WC19 grades are not.