


Colonie

CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

CLASS OF 2020 SCHOOL PROFILE

Community & School District

The Town of Colonie is the most populous suburb of Albany, NY. It's also the third largest town (by area) in Albany County. The South Colonie Central School District serves a community of 80,000 residents in a 60 square mile area.

Colonie Central High School

Colonie Central High School is a four year public school accredited by the University of the State of New York with 1,537 students and 144 staff members. In 2020, 367 students graduated, of which 326 went on to pursue higher education. Colonie Central is a comprehensive school that offers a wide variety of courses to prepare students to meet the demands of college level academic work, as well as a focus on career ready pathways.

South Colonie Staff

COUNSELING STAFF

Kimberly Leva, Coordinator

- ▶ Jason Blind
- ▶ Jill Durant
- ▶ Kristin Mesick
- ▶ Raymond Molloy
- ▶ Kimberly Moutray

ADMINISTRATORS

Dr. David Perry, Superintendent of Schools

- ▶ Tim Backus, Assistant Superintendent
- ▶ Thomas Kachadurian, Principal

ASSOCIATE PRINCIPALS

- ▶ David Pace
- ▶ William Roemer
- ▶ Lindsay Tresansky
- ▶ Brian Scalzo (Administrative Intern)

Academic Programs

ENGLISH

Honors courses are available in grades 9-10. Advanced Placement courses begin in grade 11 with AP Language or AP Literature and Composition. Students may further their AP coursework as seniors with AP Literature and Composition or AP Language and Composition or choose to take classes in conjunction with SUNY-Albany for college credit.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Cooperative college credit courses in French and Spanish are available through SUNY-Albany. Introductory college classes in Italian are also available to students in conjunction with Hudson Valley Community College.

MATHEMATICS

Advanced Placement courses are available in Calculus AB and Calculus BC. Pre-Calculus and Elementary Statistics are offered for college credit through SUNY-Albany.

SCIENCE

Advanced Placement courses are available in Biology, Chemistry and Physics or SUNY-Albany credit in Personal Genetics.

SOCIAL STUDIES

Advanced Placement courses are offered in World History, U.S. History and Western European History. In addition, college credit is offered in Sociology, Psychology and Macroeconomics following successful completion of the Hudson Valley Community College courses taught at CCHS. Additional electives include Criminal Justice I and II and Diversity Studies.

TECHNOLOGY, ART, MUSIC

Several classes are available in conjunction with HVCC, Siena College and SUNY Adirondack. These include Architecture and Engineering, CISCO I and II, Automotive courses, Survey of Art History, Graphic Arts I and II, Digital Photography and Introduction to Computer Science. PLTW classes are also offered through RIT. These classes include Design and Drawing for Production, Principles of Engineering, Digital Electronics, Civil Engineering and Architecture and Computer Integrated Manufacturing.

Note: Curricula in general engineering and bio-medical engineering are offered through the nationally recognized pre-engineering program, Project Lead the Way.



Post Secondary Placement

Class of	2018	2019	2020
Four-year colleges	44%	47%	46%
Two-year colleges	42%	39%	43%
Vocational Schools	1%	2%	3%
Military	1%	2%	1%
Employment	8%	10%	5%
Undecided	4%	0%	2%

Mean Test Results

SAT I - EVIDENCE BASED

Evidence Based Reading and Writing	552
Math	570

ACT

Composite	24
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Four year cumulative averages

5%

Average GPA 95-100

25%

Average GPA 90-94

24%

Average GPA 85-89

16%

Average GPA 80-84

16%

Average GPA 75-79

7%

Average GPA 70-74

4%

Average GPA 65-69

Other Student Data

- **Important notation regarding transcript data for the Class of 2021** – Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, in the spring semester of the 2019-2020 school year, all learning was online for our students. Grades for quarters 3 & 4 were pass/fail (P or T). The final report card will be included with the official transcript in a student’s college application for admission. The 2019-2020 average was calculated using quarters 1 & 2 only. If that average was at or higher than the existing cumulative GPA, this benefitted the student, and it was included in calculating the new cumulative GPA. If the 2019-2020 average did not benefit the student, final grades remained as “P or NG”. Our administration believes in the merit of this approach, in light of the extraordinary circumstances that students had to face during the COVID-19 spring of 2019-2020.
- In May of 2020, 227 students completed 324 AP exams — 73 percent received a score of three or higher.
- Approximately 65 percent of the class was involved in athletics. More than 20 student clubs and organizations are also offered.
- 61 percent of the Class of 2020 earned an Advanced Regents diploma.

