

*School Profile*

# Rockland High School

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*CEEB CODE: 221835*

Superintendent of Schools: Alan Cron

Assistant Superintendent: Colleen Forlizzi

Director of Student Services: Linda Maniglia

Principal: John Harrison

Assistant Principal: Kathleen Paulding

Dean of Students: Fredrick Damon

Director of Guidance: Margie Black

Director of Athletics: Gary Graziano

**Community:**

Residential suburb 20 miles southeast of Boston and close to the coast  
 Population: 17,489  
 27.3% of students in district economically disadvantaged

**Enrollment:**

631 (150 seniors)

**Future Plans:** *Class of 2016*

52% 4 yr. College/University  
 27% 2 yr. College  
 2% Military  
 19% Other (post-grad, gap year, work)

**School:**

Comprehensive four- year public high school  
 Accredited by NEASC and Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

**Faculty:**

48 teachers, 4 instructional assistants, 1 principal, 1 assistant principal, 1 dean of students, 5 guidance counselors, 1 adjustment counselor, 1 nurse  
*100% of faculty is certified*  
*13.7:1 student/teacher ratio*

**About Rockland High School:**

In 2013, Rockland completed an 85 million dollar building project providing Rockland students with state of the art computer labs, small and large performance spaces, modern science labs, as well as an impressive radio/television studio. In addition, Rockland High School provides students with a modern woodshop, a dedicated robotics laboratory, and a suite of art classrooms that include a dark room and pottery kiln.

**Co-curricular Activities & Athletics:**

Art Club, Band, Key Club, Literary Magazine, Math Team, Mock Trials, Harvard Model Congress, National Honor Society, School Newspaper (*Highest Achievement Award Recipient by New England Scholastic Press Association*), Student Government (*MASC Gold Council of Excellence Award Recipient 4 years in a row*), Television Club, Theater Guild, Yearbook Club

Baseball, Basketball, Cheerleading (*New England Regional Champions*), Cross Country, Football, Golf, Hockey, Lacrosse, Soccer, Softball, Swimming, Tennis, Track, Wrestling, Volleyball

*Approximately 40% of the seniors in Class of 2017 participated in Student Government Council and approximately 26% of the seniors were involved in Art Club, Music, or Theater. Approximately 73% of seniors participated in Sports and 37% of seniors participated in a Club.*

**Schedule:**

Students must carry a minimum of 6 credits. Classes are scheduled in a seven-day rotation.

**Course Levels:**

Rockland High School is an academically rigorous, college preparatory public secondary school. Courses are offered at the College Preparatory, Honors, and Advanced Placement levels. *11 Advanced Placement courses are offered:* Biology, Calculus, English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, Environmental Science, Microeconomics, Physics, Psychology, Statistics, Studio Art, and US History.

Students enrolled in Advanced Placement courses must take the AP Exam to have the AP designation on their transcript. In addition, Rockland High School students are strongly encouraged to take 2-4 years of a world language as well as participate in a minimum of 4 semesters of elective coursework.

**Graduation Requirements:**

To graduate from Rockland High School, students must earn 22 credits. A full year course offers 1 credit; semester courses offer ½ credit. Electives (except AP Studio Art) are not factored into a student's Grade Point Average.

|                       |                                     |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| English 4 credits     | History/Social Science 3 credits    |
| Mathematics 3 credits | Physical Education/Health 2 credits |
| Science 3 credits     | Community Service 25 hours          |

*Recognized by Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education as a Level 1 School (best rating) for strong performance on state-wide assessment, MCAS, for 4 consecutive years.*

| Letter Grade | Numeric Grade | College Prep | Honors | AP  |
|--------------|---------------|--------------|--------|-----|
| A+           | 97-100        | 4.3          | 4.8    | 5.3 |
| A            | 93-96         | 4.0          | 4.5    | 5.0 |
| A-           | 90-92         | 3.7          | 4.2    | 4.7 |
| B+           | 87-89         | 3.3          | 3.8    | 4.3 |
| B            | 83-86         | 3.0          | 3.5    | 4.0 |
| B-           | 80-82         | 2.7          | 3.2    | 3.7 |
| C+           | 77-79         | 2.3          | 2.8    | 3.3 |
| C            | 73-76         | 2.0          | 2.5    | 3.0 |
| C-           | 70-72         | 1.7          | 2.2    | 2.7 |
| D+           | 67-69         | 1.3          | 1.8    | 2.3 |
| D            | 65-66         | 1.0          | 1.5    | 2.0 |
| F            | 0-64          | 0            | 0      | 0   |

**Class Rank** is calculated at the end of grades 9, 10, 11, & 12.

Minimum passing grade is 65.

**Honor Roll:**

High Honors = All A's

Honors = All A's and B's

(W) = Withdraw

(WF) = Withdraw fail

(I) = Incomplete

**SAT:**

71% of the Class of 2016 took the SAT

Mean Score

|         |     |
|---------|-----|
| Reading | 481 |
| Writing | 467 |
| Math    | 501 |

**Advanced Placement:**

*2016-2017 School Year Results:*

243 exams were administered in 12 subjects

Approximately 37% of scores were 3 or above

Approximately 41% of seniors took AP course

Approximately 46% of juniors took an AP course

*AP Scholar Awards 2017:*

AP Scholar with Distinction: 3

AP Scholar with Honors: 4

AP Scholar: 10

**Sample of College Acceptances 2013-2017:**

|                             |                               |                                |                               |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Amherst College             | Endicott College              | Plymouth State University      | University of Maryland        |
| Anna Maria College          | Fairfield University          | Providence College             | UMASS Amherst                 |
| Assumption College          | Fitchburg State University    | Quinnipiac University          | UMASS Boston                  |
| Baylor University           | Florida State University      | Regis College                  | UMASS Dartmouth               |
| Berklee College of Music    | Franklin Pierce University    | Rensselaer Polytech. Institute | UMASS Lowell                  |
| Bentley University          | George Washington Univ.       | Roger Williams University      | University of Miami           |
| Boston College              | Harvard College               | Sacred Heart University        | Univ. of New Hampshire        |
| Boston University           | Hofstra University            | Saint Anselm College           | Univ. of North Carolina       |
| Brandeis University         | James Madison University      | Saint Joseph's College         | University of Pennsylvania    |
| Bridgewater State College   | Loyola University             | Saint Michael's College        | University of Rhode Island    |
| Brown University            | Mass. Institute of Technology | Salem State University         | University of San Diego       |
| Bryant College              | Mass. Maritime Academy        | Simmons College                | University of Tampa           |
| Coastal Carolina University | Merrimack College             | Skidmore College               | Villanova University          |
| Colby College               | Miami University of Ohio      | Smith College                  | Wentworth Institute of Tech.  |
| Colgate University          | New York University           | Stonehill College              | Westfield State College       |
| College of the Holy Cross   | Newbury College               | Suffolk University             | Wheaton College               |
| Curry College               | Nichols College               | Temple University              | Wheelock College              |
| Dartmouth College           | Northeastern University       | University of California       | Worcester Polytech. Institute |
| Elon University             | Norwich University            | University of Connecticut      |                               |
| Emerson College             | Ohio State University         | University of Delaware         |                               |
| Emmanuel College            | Pace University               | University of Maine            |                               |

## Program Offerings:

### ENGLISH:

Grade 9 Introduction to Literature (CP, H)  
Grade 10 Literary Forms (CP, H)  
Grade 11 American Studies (CP)  
AP English Language & Composition (AP)  
Grade 12 Conversations in World Literature (CP)  
AP English Literature (AP)

### MATH:

Algebra I (CP)  
Geometry (CP, H)  
Algebra II (CP, H)  
Precalculus (CP, H)  
AP Statistics (AP)  
Statistics (CP)  
Algebra III (CP)  
Calculus (H)  
AP Calculus (AP)  
SAT Prep. (E)

### SCIENCE:

Biology (CP, H)  
Chemistry (CP, H)  
Physics (CP)  
Anatomy & Physiology (CP, H)  
AP Biology (AP)  
AP Environmental Science (AP)  
AP Physics (AP)  
Earth Science (CP)  
Forensics & Biotechnology (E)  
Introduction to Robotics (E)  
Robotics (E)  
Engineering 101 (E)  
Computer Science I (E)  
Computer Science II (E)

### SOCIAL SCIENCE/HISTORY:

World History II (CP, H)  
US History I (CP, H)  
US History II (CP, H)  
AP US History (AP)  
AP Psychology (AP)  
AP Microeconomics (AP)  
History & Film (E)  
Law (E)  
Pop Culture (E)  
Psychology (E)

### WORLD LANGUAGE:

French I (CP), II (CP,H), III (CP,H), IV (H), V(H)  
Spanish I (CP), II (CP, H), III (CP, H), IV(H), V(H)

*AP= Advanced Placement Level*

*H=Honors Level*

*CP=College Preparatory Level*

*E= Elective*

### ART:

Foundations of Art & Design (E)  
Photography & Digital Imaging (E)  
3D Art-Ceramics & Sculpture (E)  
Comic Book & Illustration (E)  
2D Art-Drawing, Painting & Mixed Media (E)  
Advanced Art Thesis Project Development (E)  
Advanced Senior Art Thesis Project (E)  
AP Studio Art (AP)  
Independent Study Portfolio (E)

### BUSINESS:

Introduction to Business (E)  
Accounting (E)

### DIGITAL MEDIA & JOURNALISM:

Digital Media Production (E)  
Digital Media Production II (E)  
Journalism (E)  
Public Speaking (E)

### FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCE:

Exploratory Foods I (E)  
Exploratory Foods II (E)  
Culinary Arts (E)  
Sewing & Textile Arts (E)  
Advanced Sewing & Textile Arts (E)

### MUSIC:

Band (E)  
Chorus (E)  
Music Theory & Aural Skills (E)  
Music and Film (E)

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND HEALTH:

Freshmen Health (E)  
Physical Education (E)  
Senior Issues (E)

### WOODWORKING:

Woodworking I (E)  
Woodworking II (E)  
Structures and Shed Design (E)  
Everyday Repairs (E)  
Off-Site Construction Crew (E)

### SPECIAL SERVICES:

Academic Support  
Alternative Program  
Pathways Program