



2020-2021 High School Profile

Our School

Website: www.slpschools.org

School Code: 242-205

Four-year public high school,
Grades 9-12

Enrollment: 1,445

Size of Senior Class: 374

School Year: 2 semesters,
7 period days

Distinctions

- Nationally Designated School of Excellence
- Named 28th Best Public High School for College Prep in Minnesota by Niche
- International Baccalaureate School
- Four-year graduation rate of 91%

Administration

Superintendent

Astein Osei

Principal

Wendy Loberg (Interim)

Assistant Principals

Jessica Busse

Todd Goggeye

Student Services Staff

Barb Nelson, Gr. 9 Counselor

Kelsey Milne, Gr. 10 Counselor

Heidi Cosgrove, Gr. 11 Counselor

Laura King, Gr. 12 Counselor

Al Wachutka, Gifted & Talented

Marlee Nirenstein, Social Worker

Lauren Buxton, Social Worker

Jenny Magdal, IB Coordinator

Kara Mueller, CCR/CTE Coordinator

Kelly Brown, BARR Coordinator



Our Community

St. Louis Park is a western suburb of Minneapolis with a population of approximately 49,000 residents. Students come from diverse cultural, educational, and economic backgrounds. St. Louis Park is a "Children First" community, and has become a national model by using developmental-asset research to promote positive community attitudes that help children grow toward healthy adult lives.

International Baccalaureate

St. Louis Park High School became an IB World School in 2000.

The IB Program is a rigorous two-year college preparatory program. Juniors and seniors can self-select to enroll in individual IB courses or be a full diploma candidate. If you have any questions concerning the IB Program, please contact Jennifer Magdal at 952-928-6134 or magdal.jennifer@slpschools.org.

Faculty

St. Louis Park High School has 98 licensed teachers on staff, including 86 that hold advanced degrees.

13 AP Courses Offered

- AP Calculus
- AP Environmental Science
- AP Macroeconomics
- AP Psychology
- AP U.S. History
- AP Statistics
- AP Spanish Literature & Culture
- AP Computer Science A
- AP European History
- AP Microeconomics
- AP Spanish
- AP Spanish Language & Culture
- AP World History

38 IB Courses Offered

- IB English A Language and Literature SL-1 & SL-2
- IB English A Literature HL-1 & HL-2
- IB Film SL
- IB Extended Essay
- IB Visual Arts SL
- IB Math SL Analysis Year 1 & Year 2
- IB Math HL Analysis Year 1 & Year 2
- IB Chemistry SL
- IB Physics SL
- IB Biology HL-1 & HL-2
- IB Environmental Systems and Societies SL
- IB Sports, Exercise and Health Science SL
- IB Psychology SL
- IB History HL-1: History of the Americas
- IB History SL: 20th Century Issues
- IB History HL-2: 20th Century Issues
- IB French Language B SL-1 & SL-2
- IB French HL-1 & HL-2
- IB German Language B SL-1 & SL-2
- IB German HL-1 & HL-2
- IB Hebrew Language B SL-1 & SL-2
- IB Spanish Language B SL-1 & SL-2
- IB Spanish Language B HL-1 & HL-2
- IB Spanish Language and Literature SL-1 & SL-2
- Theory of Knowledge

21 CTE Courses Offered

Students can get Technical or Community College credit by taking these courses.

- A+ Computer Tech I & II
- Business Innovations
- Construction Technologies
- Digital Artwork Design
- Digital Photography
- Engineering II
- Fashion Marketing and Merchandising
- Graphic Design
- Health Care Core
- Health Professions Terminology
- Information Communications Literacy
- Introduction to Accounting
- Introduction to Architectural and Engineering CAD
- Introduction to Criminal Justice
- Introduction to Marketing
- Media Arts
- Photography
- Webpage & Animation Design I
- Woodworking I & II

Student Population (9-12)

White	52.5%
Black/African American	24.6%
Hispanic/Latino	12.2%
Two or More Races	7%
Asian.....	3.1%
American Indian/Alaska Native	<1%
English Learners	6.2%
Special Education	9.5%
Free/Reduced Lunch	30.8%

Post Secondary Plans

Of the 2018 graduating class, 75% chose to attend a post-secondary institution. 72% of those students chose to attend an institution in Minnesota, while 28% chose an institution outside of Minnesota. Of those students who chose an institution in Minnesota, 59% chose a 4-year institution, while 41% chose a 2-year institution.

Testing

ACT 2019 Summary Report

Mean Scores	SLP HS
English.....	21.4
Math	21.2
Reading	22.4
Science.....	21.9
Composite	21.8

Advanced Placement

In 2019, 408 students took 702 AP exams, earning an average score of 3.2; 68% of all exams were 3 or higher.

International Baccalaureate

In 2019, 172 students took 443 IB exams. Diploma candidates earned an average score of 4.69. There were 13 students who were awarded the IB Diploma.

National Merit Scholarship Program for 2019-20

Based on PSAT results, seven students were recognized by the National Merit Scholarship Program, including five commended students and two semifinalists.

Graduation Requirements

All students are required to earn 46 semester credits. Credit requirements by subject area are: English (8 credits), Social Studies (8 credits), Math (6 credits), Science (6 credits), Health (1 credit), Physical Education (1 credit), Fine Arts (2 credits), and Electives (14 credits).

Grading System

A standard 4.0 grading system with letter grades of A, B, C, D, or F is used. Accelerated, Honors, Advanced Placement, and International Baccalaureate classes are not weighted as part of the student's grade point average (GPA). A "P" for pass is included as a credit toward graduation, but does not count toward a student's GPA. Class rank is based on GPA and includes all marks earned in grades 9-12.

During the COVID-19 pandemic of 2020, St. Louis Park High School made the decision to adopt a hold harmless grading policy of Pass/No Grade. A "P" designation was given to students who earned credit during the spring semester of 2020, an "N" to those not earning credit.

An additional document can be provided to reflect the specific course percentages that applicants earned in the 2nd semester of 2020, during the COVID-19 crisis. The document is provided as an optional addendum to our official transcript, by request only.

Extracurricular Activities

26 Varsity Athletic Teams

FALL

Cross Country (B/G)
Football
Soccer (B/G)
Swimming (G)
Tennis (G)
Volleyball (G)

WINTER

Basketball (B/G)
Gymnastics
Hockey (B/G)
Nordic Skiing (B/G)
Swimming (B)

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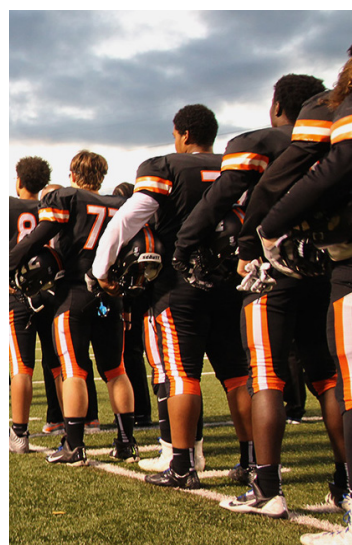
Baseball
Golf (B/G)
Lacrosse (B/G)
Softball
Synchronized Swimming
Tennis (B)
Track & Field (B/G)

Clubs and Organizations

St. Louis Park High School has a wide array of clubs and organizations including fine arts opportunities such as theater, band, orchestra, and choir; an award-winning student newspaper and yearbook; academic-based opportunities such as math team and quiz bowl; a robotics team; a computer repair club; a nationally recognized eSports team; a drone racing team; and many others.

Notable Alumni

Thomas Friedman, *New York Times* columnist, author
Joel and Ethan Coen, film directors, screenwriters, producers
Dan Israel, musician and songwriter
Jim Petersen, former NBA player, current Timberwolves analyst
Peggy Orenstein, author, writer for *New York Times Magazine*
Marc Trestman, NFL coach, former coach of Chicago Bears
Dan Wilson, lead singer of Trip Shakespeare and Semisonic
Peggy Flanagan, current Lieutenant Governor of Minnesota



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