



Orono High School • Long Lake, Minnesota

2021-2022 Profile

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Orono High School is a four-year, public high school in the western suburbs of Minneapolis/St. Paul, with a strong tradition of excellence, rooted in community and relationships.

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Faculty | Orono High School takes pride in a school culture that fosters a high level of student/teacher engagement, supported by an environment where teachers know students as individual learners.

Faculty	Number of Faculty	62
	% with Masters Degree	91%
Students	Enrollment 9-12	962
	Senior Class 2022	233
	College Matriculation	91%

Community | The Orono Public School district serves students from six surrounding communities and through Minnesota's Open Enrollment program. All schools are located on one campus in an inclusive community serving students from various backgrounds.

Achievement | Orono Schools' programs, students and staff are frequently distinguished for their excellence, performing as well as, if not better, than surrounding public and private institutions.

Strategic Goals and Intended Results

Scholarship | Through personalized and rigorous learning, students and staff will apply high levels of interdisciplinary knowledge across all content areas.

Character | Students and staff will understand and model core ethical values for a life of integrity.

Relationships | We will value, develop and strengthen relationship skills that lead to lifelong social, emotional and academic success.

College Preparatory Curriculum | Orono runs a traditional seven-period schedule requiring students to earn 24 credits in order to graduate.

Academic Area	Credits
English	4.0
Social Studies	3.5
Science	3.0
Math	3.0
Fine Arts	1.0
Health	0.5
Physical Ed	0.5
Electives	8.5
Total Credits	24.0

Rigor | Orono offers 21 AP courses, 13 honors/enriched courses and 7 College in the Schools courses. In recent years, the percentage of graduating seniors taking and passing at least one AP exam prior to graduation has averaged 70 percent.

Extracurricular Activities | Orono High School offers a variety of activities, organizations and academic/athletic interscholastic competitions. More than 85 percent of our students participate in at least one activity or sport.



Advanced Placement

AP Exams	2018	2019	2020	2021	AP Awards	2018	2019	2020	2021
Number of students tested	381	376	457	450	AP Scholar	58	54	72	66
Number of exams administered	781	769	946	899	AP Scholar with Honor	34	38	29	38
Percent of exams resulting in a score of 3+	86%	87%	82%	79%	AP Scholar with Distinction	67	68	70	68
Percent of graduating class taking and passing at least one AP exam	61%	70%	65%	64%	National AP Scholar	11	17	10	N/A [†]
					Total AP Scholars	170	177	181	172
					AP Capstone Diploma			6	11
					Seminar & Research Certificate			4	1

[†] Discontinued 2021

2021 AP Scores by Test	Total	% Passing
Research	11	100%
Seminar	37	100%
Calculus AB	61	72%
Calculus BC	43	91%
Computer Science Principles	26	88%
Statistics	59	63%
Biology	45	84%
Chemistry	14	57%
Environmental Science	32	66%
Physics C - Mechanics	10	90%
Physics C - E & M	10	90%
English Language	110	75%
English Literature	51	59%
European History	3	67%
Human Geography	95	79%
Psychology	120	68%
U.S. History	27	30%
World History	96	89%
Chinese	6	50%
German	15	93%
Spanish	25	100%

College Prep Curriculum	
Enriched Courses	AP Courses
Enriched English I	AP Research
Enriched English II	AP Seminar
Honors Biology	AP Music Theory
Honors Chemistry	AP English Language & Comp
Honors Physics	AP English Literature & Comp
Honors Algebra II	AP European History*
Honors Functions & Trig	AP Human Geography
Honors Pre-Calculus	AP Psychology
Honors Spanish III	AP U.S. History
Honors Spanish IV	AP World History
Honors German IV	AP Calculus AB
Honors Chinese IV	AP Calculus BC
College in the Schools	AP Computer Science A
College Accounting	AP Computer Science Principles
Honors Political Science	AP Statistics
Project Lead the Way (PLTW)	AP Biology
PLTW Intro to Engineering Design	AP Chemistry
PLTW Principles of Engineering	AP Environmental Science
PLTW Computer Integrated Mfg.	AP Physics C: E & M
PLTW Engineering Design & Devel	AP Physics C: Mechanics
Capstone Experiences	AP Chinese Language & Culture*
Advanced Topics in Math**	AP Spanish Language & Culture
AP Capstone Diploma	AP German Language & Culture
MN Scholars of Distinction	
Senior Spartan Experience	

* New in 2020-2021

** New in 2021-2022

ACT Data & National Merit Scholars

Class of 2021 ACT Summary	Percent
Percent Testing	97%
ACT Performance	
Mean Composite	25.1
Median Composite	25.0
Mean Composite Top 100	30.3

Grade 11 ACT Scores	Class of			
	2019	2020	2021	2022
Mean Composite	23.7	24.3	24.4	23.7

Minnesota students have the opportunity to take the ACT, during the school day, in spring of junior year. In spring 2021, 86 percent of students in the class of 2022 took advantage of this opportunity.

National Merit	2019	2020	2021	2022
Semifinalists	2	2	2	3
Commended Scholars	3	3	7	5
Total	5	5	9	8

Statistics and Recognition

COVID-19 Disclaimer

Grades that are documented during the time period of March 16 through June 30 of 2020 reflect the distance learning period resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. Future use of these grades should be used with caution and only after balancing the information against student performance in other grading periods. During this time, students may not have had the optimal conditions to attain a letter grade reflective of their learning and achievement. To counter this, Orono Schools allowed students and their parents to choose Pass/Fail grading in lieu of letter grades.

Orono High School students started the 2020-2021 school year in a choice of either hybrid (where students attended in-person school five out of ten days), or full-time distance learning. In November, all students pivoted to full-time distance learning. Students who started the year in hybrid returned to full-time in person learning in March.

While learning from home, students had access to live streaming, on demand lessons, and/or activities that reinforce and apply learning concepts. During the 2020- 2021 school year, students were assigned letter grades A-F.

GPA Calculations

GPA is calculated on a four-point scale. Honors, Enriched, College in the Schools and AP courses are given a weighting of one extra point (A=5). **Dual enrollment courses taken at a college or university via Minnesota's Post-Secondary Enrollment Options (PSEO) are NOT given additional weighting.** Transcripts reflect BOTH weighted and standard GPAs.

Mean Standard GPA ranges have held steady with mean ACT ranges indicating little grade inflation. However, as AP courses have been added and access has been increased, the mean weighted GPA has increased slightly. A historical snapshot of the overall median GPA and the mean GPA of the mid 50% is included below.

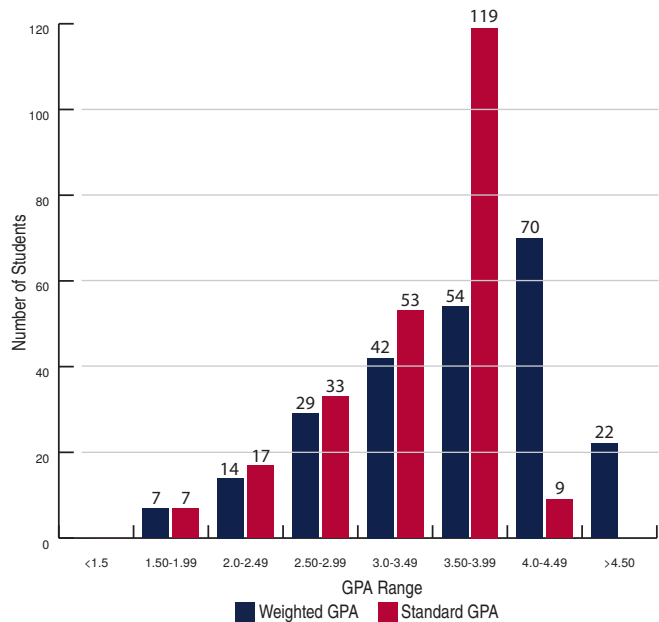
MEDIAN GPA	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Weighted	3.49	3.64	3.61	3.72	3.81
Standard	3.28	3.39	3.37	3.52	3.55
MEAN GPA (Mid 50%)	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Weighted	3.54	3.59	3.60	3.70	3.76
Standard	3.35	3.36	3.48	3.47	3.52

GPA Distribution - Class of 2022

Orono High School does not report individual class rank. In order to assist in the interpretation of GPA information, we have provided a frequency distribution of sixth-semester weighted and standard GPA's for the class of 2022.

GPA Range	Weighted # of Students	Standard # of Students
>4.50	22	N/A
4.0-4.49	70	9
3.50-3.99	54	119
3.0-3.49	42	53
2.50-2.99	29	33
2.0-2.49	14	17
1.50-1.99	7	7
<1.5	0	0
Mean	3.63	3.37

OHS Class of 2022 Sixth-Semester GPA Distribution



Awards & Recognition

National & International Awards

- National District of Character, Character Education Partnership
- 2021 America's Best High Schools/STEM High Schools, *U.S. News & World Report*
- 2020 Top 500 STEM High Schools, *Newsweek*

State Awards

- Minnesota Scholar of Distinction Award for Science
- Prudential Spirit of Community Awards
- Minnesota Student Council of the Year, Minnesota Association of Student Councils

2016-2021 | College Matriculation

92% of graduates from the class of 2021 went on to post-secondary education at 92 different institutions. In total, 71% of college applications resulted in offers of admissions.

ALABAMA

Auburn University
The University of Alabama
University of South Alabama

ARIZONA

Arizona State University
Grand Canyon University
Northern Arizona University
The University of Arizona

ARKANSAS

Harding University
University of Arkansas

CALIFORNIA

Azusa Pacific University
California Polytechnic State University
Chapman University
Harvey Mudd College
Loyola Marymount University
Pepperdine University
Point Loma Nazarene University
San Diego State University
Santa Clara University
University of California, Berkeley
University of California, Los Angeles
University of San Diego
University of San Francisco
University of Southern California
Vanguard University of So. California

COLORADO

Colorado Christian University
Colorado College
Colorado Mesa University
Colorado Mountain College
Colorado School of Mines
Colorado State University
Regis University
United States Air Force Academy
University of Colorado at Boulder
Univ. of Colorado at Colorado Springs
University of Colorado at Denver
University of Denver
University of Northern Colorado

CONNECTICUT

Taft School
Trinity College
University of Hartford
Yale University

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Georgetown University
The George Washington University

FLORIDA

Broward College
Eckerd College
Flagler College
Florida Gulf Coast University
Florida Southern College
Florida State University
Rollins College
University of Florida
University of Miami
University of Tampa

GEORGIA

Emory University (Emory College)
Georgia Institute of Technology
Georgia Southern University
Savannah College of Art and Design

HAWAII

Brigham Young University, Hawaii

IDAHO

Brigham Young University, Idaho
Lewis-Clark State College

ILLINOIS

Bradley University
DePaul University
Judson University
Lake Forest College
Loyola University Chicago
Northwestern University
Olivet Nazarene University
University of Chicago
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Wheaton College

INDIANA

Butler University
DePauw University
Indiana University at Bloomington
Purdue University
University of Notre Dame
Valparaiso University

IOWA

Coe College
Cornell College
Drake University
Grinnell College
Iowa State University
Luther College
Northwestern College
University of Dubuque
University of Iowa
Upper Iowa University
Wartburg College

KANSAS

Benedictine College
Kansas State University
Ottawa University
University of Kansas
Wichita State University

KENTUCKY

University of Kentucky
University of Louisville

LOUISIANA

Louisiana State University
Tulane University

MAINE

Bowdoin College
Colby College
University of Maine

MARYLAND

Goucher College
University of Maryland, College Park
U.S. Naval Academy

MASSACHUSETTS

Bentley University
Boston College
Boston University
College of Holy Cross
Emerson College
Harvard College
Northeastern University
Smith College
Springfield College
Suffolk University
Tufts University
University of Massachusetts, Lowell
University of Massachusetts, Amherst
Worcester Polytechnic Institute

MICHIGAN

Hope College
Michigan State University
Northern Michigan University
University of Michigan

MINNESOTA

Augsburg College
Bemidji State University
Bethel University-MN
Carleton College
College of Saint Benedict
College of St. Scholastica
Concordia College - Moorhead
Concordia University at St. Paul
Crown College
Gustavus Adolphus College
Hamline University
Lake Superior College
Macalester College
Minnesota State University, Mankato
Minnesota State University, Moorhead
North Central University
Northwestern Health Sciences University
Saint John's University
Saint Mary's University of Minnesota
Southwest Minnesota State University
University of North Central
Northwestern Health Sciences University
Saint John's University
Saint Mary's University of Minnesota
Southwest Minnesota State University

MISSISSIPPI

University of Mississippi
St. Catherine University - St. Paul
St. Cloud State University
St. Olaf College
University of Minnesota, Crookston
University of Minnesota, Duluth
University of Minnesota, Morris
University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
University of Northwestern
University of St. Thomas
Winona State University

MISSOURI

University of Missouri
Culver-Stockton College
Principia College
Saint Louis University
University of Missouri Columbia
Washington University in St. Louis

MONTANA

Montana State University, Bozeman
The University of Montana, Missoula

NEBRASKA

College of St. Mary
Creighton University
University of Nebraska at Lincoln
University of Nebraska at Omaha

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Dartmouth College
University of New Hampshire

NEW JERSEY

Edison State College
Princeton University

NEW MEXICO

University of New Mexico

NEW YORK

Colgate University
Columbia University
Cornell University
Fordham University
Hamilton College - NY
Hobart and William Smith Colleges
Hofstra University

MARIST COLLEGE

New York University
Pace University
St. Francis College
St. Lawrence University
Syracuse University
Union College
United States Military Academy
University of Rochester

NORTH CAROLINA

Davidson College
Duke University
Elon University
High Point University
University of North Carolina at Wilmington
Wake Forest University

NORTH DAKOTA

Jamestown College
Lake Region State College
North Dakota State University
University of North Dakota

OHIO

Case Western Reserve University
Miami University, Oxford
The Ohio State University
University of Cincinnati
Xavier University

OREGON

Lewis & Clark College
Oregon State University
Portland State University
Reed College
University of Oregon
Willamette University

PENNSYLVANIA

Haverford College
Lehigh University
University of Pennsylvania
University of Pittsburgh
Villanova University

RHODE ISLAND

Brown University
Bryant University
University of Rhode Island

SOUTH CAROLINA

Clemson University
Coastal Carolina University
College of Charleston
Furman University
University of South Carolina

SOUTH DAKOTA

Augustana College
Dakota State University
South Dakota State University
University of Sioux Falls
University of South Dakota

TENNESSEE

Belmont University
Vanderbilt University

TEXAS

Baylor University
LeTourneau University
Southern Methodist University
Texas A&M University
Texas Christian University

UTAH

Brigham Young University
University of Utah
Utah Valley University

VERMONT

Middlebury College
University of Vermont

VIRGINIA

George Mason University
Hampden-Sydney College
University of Virginia
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Washington and Lee University

WASHINGTON

Gonzaga University
Seattle University
University of Puget Sound
University of Washington
Whitman College
Western Washington University

WEST VIRGINIA

Mountain State University

WISCONSIN

Alverno College
Carroll University
Carthage College
Lawrence University
Marquette University
Northland College
University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire
University of Wisconsin, La Crosse
University of Wisconsin, Madison
University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee
University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh
University of Wisconsin, River Falls
University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point
University of Wisconsin, Stout
University of Wisconsin, Whitewater
Viterbo University

WYOMING

University of Wyoming

INTERNATIONAL

King's College London
London School of Economics and Political Science
McGill University
Richmond; American International School, London
The University of Auckland
The University of Edinburgh
University College - Cork, Ireland
University of British Columbia
University of Manitoba
University of St Andrews
University of Tokyo

Matriculation Highlights for the Class of 2021
(percentages are a subset of total matriculation)

Total Matriculation	92%
2-year College	6%
4-year College	86%
Public 4-year	55%
Private 4-year	37%
In State	34%
Out of State	58%



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