



City Honors School

AT FOSDICK-MASTEN PARK

PROFILE INFORMATION 2026 – 2027

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LOCATION

City Honors School is an urban magnet school located in Buffalo, NY with a focus on acceleration and the International Baccalaureate program. Our city's population is approximately 279,000 residents, with a metro-area population of 1.2 Million. The Buffalo Public Schools enroll approximately 31,000 students.

DESTINATIONS OF THE CLASS OF 2026

American University
Bates College
Canisius University (4)
Canisius University (Honors) (3)
Colgate University
Columbia University
Cornell University (2)
CUNY City College of New York
D'Youville University
Dartmouth College
Drexel University (Honors)
Fordham University (Honors)
The George Washington University (2)
Georgia Institute of Technology
Howard University
Johnson & Wales University
McGill University
Mercy University (Honors)
Morgan State University
Northeastern University (4)
Northwestern University
The Ohio State University (Honors) (2)
Prairie View A&M University
Rochester Institute of Technology (4)
Salve Regina University
Spelman College
SUNY Alfred State College (2)
SUNY Binghamton University (5)
SUNY Brockport
SUNY Buffalo State University (6)
SUNY Buffalo State University (Honors) (3)
SUNY Fredonia
SUNY Geneseo
SUNY New Paltz (Honors)
SUNY Oswego
SUNY Purchase (2)
SUNY Stony Brook University (3)
SUNY Stony Brook University (Honors)
SUNY Suffolk County Community College
SUNY University at Albany (2)
SUNY University at Buffalo (32)
SUNY University at Buffalo (Honors) (13)
Syracuse University
University of Florida
University of Notre Dame (2)
University of Rochester
Utrecht University
Villa Maria College (7)
Wellesley College
Xavier University of Louisiana
Yale University

CLASS OF 2026 MERIT SCHOLARSHIP AVERAGE

\$90,356 per graduate
(does not include need-based aid, Excelsior or Say Yes)



SAY YES BUFFALO

Since 2013, CHS graduates have received an estimated \$19.4 million in scholarships and grants from Say Yes Buffalo and Say Yes to Education's Higher Education Partners.

ACCREDITATION New York State Regents

AUTHORIZATION IB World School since 1989

ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED STUDENTS 63%

MINORITY/MAJORITY ENROLLMENT 60% / 40%

LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH SPOKEN IN STUDENT HOUSEHOLDS 52

STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS 14%

ENROLLMENT 2026 - 2027

TOTAL: 1,121

Grade 5	106	Grade 9	164
Grade 6	107	Grade 10	161
Grade 7	137	Grade 11	153
Grade 8	148	Grade 12	145

PATTERN OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

Two semesters, four quarters

CLASS RANK / ACADEMIC HONORS

- Class Rank is not computed by City Honors School, nor do we designate Honor or Merit Roll students.
- There is no National Honor Society at City Honors School. Academic awards are presented at our annual Senior Dinner.

DISTINCTIONS

- #2 ranked school in New York State, *US News and World Report*
- 2024 National Blue Ribbon School, US Dept of Education
- 2025 AP Honor Roll Platinum School

SPECIAL SCHOOL PROGRAMS

International Baccalaureate Diploma Program
International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program
City Honors Science Research Program at Buffalo-Niagara Medical Campus

STARS - Autistic Education Program
College Dual Enrollment: Hilbert, SUNY Erie, Villa Maria

COMPUTING GPA

City Honors uses a weighted system including all credit bearing courses taken in grades 9, 10, and 11 including physical education.

WEIGHTING

AP/IB 1.1
Standard 1.0

Students in grades 5-12 are on a 100 pt. grade scale

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE MAY 2026

IB Diploma Pass Rate	81%
Diplomas	42
Certificates	180
MYP Personal Project Completion	98%

ADVANCED PLACEMENT MAY 2026

AP Scholars	136
AP Scholars with Honor	37
AP Scholars with Distinction	17

GRADUATES EARNING ADVANCED REGENTS DIPLOMAS 85%

GRADUATES EARNING NYS SEAL OF BILITERACY 47

NATIONAL MERIT FALL 2026

Commended	7
Semi-Finalists	1

COLLEGE BOARD NATIONAL RECOGNITION FALL 2026 80

SAT RESULTS

	2024	2025	2026
Mean EBRW	648	662	668
Mean Mathematics	632	648	670

EQUITY & EXCELLENCE PERCENTAGE 99%

(graduates meeting college credit threshold in one or more AP/IB course)

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE COURSES

English A: Language and Literature HL
French B SL, Spanish B SL, Mandarin B SL
History: Americas HL, Economics SL
Business Management SL
Biology HL, Physics HL
Environmental Systems and Societies HL
Math Applications & Interpretation SL
Math Analysis & Approaches SL
Theory of Knowledge

ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES

English Language and Composition
Human Geography
World History, US History
Calculus AB, Statistics
African American Studies
2-D Art and Design

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