



South Side High School

AN INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE SCHOOL

2023 - 2024

- *National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence*
- *Schools of Opportunity Gold Award*
- *New York State Reward School*
- *New York State - High Performance / Gap Closing School*
- *Nationally Recognized for Two Decades Among the Best in the Nation by:*
 - *US News and World Report*
 - *Washington Post*
 - *Newsweek / Daily Beast*
 - *Newsday*

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COMMUNITY AND SCHOOLS

The Incorporated Village of Rockville Centre, located approximately 20 miles east of New York City, is a diverse residential community. The Rockville Centre School District enrolls students living within both the Incorporated Village and the community of South Hempstead. There are five elementary schools, one middle school (grades 6-8), and one high school (grades 9-12).

South Side High School has an enrollment of 1010 students. Minority student enrollment is 30%. The number of students on free or reduced price lunch is approximately 18%. There are 126 classroom teachers, supported by additional professional staff, including counselors, social workers and teaching assistants. South Side believes that all students can achieve world-class standards. The district provides both the opportunities and support needed for student success.

DIPLOMAS CLASS OF 2023

International Baccalaureate Diploma - Awarded to 31% of the class. This is a comprehensive honors program for highly motivated students.

Regents Diploma - Awarded to 99% of graduates. 90% of the 2023 senior class received Regents Endorsed Diplomas with Advanced Designation. 39% earned a Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation with Honors. Approximately 87% of seniors have an average above 80.

CLASS OF 2023 ACHIEVEMENTS

5 National Recognition Award Students
5 National Merit Commended Students
7 NYS Academic Excellence Nominees
164 President's Award for Academic Excellence
16 President's Award for Academic Achievement
2 All State Musicians
5 All County Artists
18 All County Musicians
2 Long Island String Festival Chamber Musicians
1 NAFME All National Honor Choir Vocalist
1 NAFME All Eastern Division Conference Musicians
2 ACDA All National Honors Choir
6 Scholastic Art Award Artists

SOUTH SIDE HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2023

GRADUATING CLASS: 237

Four Year College:	78.6%
Two Year College:	15.3%
Employment:	.5%
Military:	.1%
Undecided:	5.3%
Reg. Diplomas:	99%
Reg. Diplomas w/Adv. Designation:	90%
IB Diplomas:	31%

SCHOLASTIC APTITUDE TEST RESULTS 2022 - 2023

MEAN	RVC	NY	NAT'L
CRITICAL READING	587	522	520
MATH	593	516	508

INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS N.Y. STATE SCHOLAR-ATHLETE SCHOOL OF DISTICTION 2022 - 2023

*Girls' Cross Country: State Meet Qualifiers, County Champions,
Conference Champions, Division Champions*
*Boys' Varsity Golf: Finished 2nd in Conference, Team Wild-Card
County Qualifiers*
Girls' Varsity Volleyball: County Runner-Up, Conference Champions
Girls' Varsity Swimming/Diving: 2nd Place in Conference
Boys' Varsity Football: Final Four Finish
*Boys' Varsity Basketball: State Semi-Finalists, Long Island Champions,
Nassau County Champions, Conference Champions*
Girls' Varsity Gymnastics: 4th Place at Team County Championships
Boys' Varsity Swimming/Diving: 6th Place in Nassau County
Girls' Varsity Basketball: Conference Champions
Girls' Winter Track: 2nd Place in Conference
Boys' Varsity Baseball: Conference A2 Champions
Girls' Varsity Lacrosse: County Semi-Finalists
Boys' Varsity Tennis: 4th Place in Conference

THE INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE DIPLOMA PROGRAM

The International Baccalaureate Diploma Program is a demanding pre-university course of study for students entering their junior and senior years of high school. The rigorous assessments and balanced curricula have gained the respect of major universities worldwide, as students are well prepared to succeed at university and beyond. Students choose their own level of participation, from taking one IB course to pursuing the full IB Diploma. Full IB diploma candidates take no less than six IB courses and complete the following “central elements”:

Theory of Knowledge is a one-year course designed to explore the ways in which different disciplines search for truth. Students will be asked to reflect critically on the knowledge claims made during their course work, with an eye to understanding the fundamental principles underlying each. This approach helps students to analyze and integrate knowledge that they have already gained.

The Extended Essay is a 3000-4000 word research paper completed by IB diploma candidates by December of their senior year. This work is done under the supervision of a teacher-mentor and may be done in any of the IB subject areas.

CAS (Creativity, Activity, Service) is designed to teach and promote critical thinking and reflection as it relates to service learning. Students are expected to be involved in CAS activities for the equivalent of two or three hours a week over two years. Working with the CAS Supervisor, the students engage in a systematic self-evaluation of their experiences. Colleges report that they are interested in students who take the most challenging and rigorous curriculum available. In senior year, these courses include: IB English, IB Spanish, IB French, IB History, IB Psychology, IB Business Management, IB Physics HL, IB Chemistry HL, IB Biology HL, IB Theatre, IB Film, IB Music and IB Visual Arts. Many colleges will award credit for IB coursework, though the required subject scores will vary based on the institution.

SCIENCE RESEARCH

South Side High School’s outstanding research program offers challenging and exciting opportunities for all students. South Side students have earned numerous accolades in such prestigious competitions as the Regeneron Competition, Toshiba Exploravision, Long Island Science Congress, ChemMagination, Long Island Science and Engineering Fair, WAC Science Fair, National Science Bowl, New York State Science and Engineering Fair and in DNA Day Essay Competition.

THE ARTS

Outstanding programs include: Music (Chamber Orchestra, Stage Band, Concert Band, Wind Ensemble, Concert Orchestra, Jazz Ensemble, Choraleers, Chamber Singers, Music Theory, IB Music, Music Technology); Art (Photography, Computer Graphics, 3D Modeling, Portfolio & Design, Painting & Drawing, Studio Art, Sculpture & Ceramic, IB Art, IB Film Study, Wood Design); Theatre Arts (Play Production, Performance, IB Theatre).

COLLEGE CREDIT OPPORTUNITIES

Students have the opportunity to earn college credit through their performance in individual IB and AP courses, as well as in dual enrollment classes. Several classes offer dual enrollment through Molly University and Stony Brook University. Students can earn college credit through Molly University High School Scholar’s Program in IB Biology (Yr. 1 & 2), IB Chemistry (Yr. 1 & 2), IB Physics, IB Environmental Systems, IB Visual Art 2, College Marketing, College Business Law, College Accounting and Creative Writing. College credit can be earned through Stony Brook University Accelerated College Education (ACE) program in IB Spanish 5 & 6 and IB French 5 & 6. Over 85% of our students complete college-level course work prior to graduation.

CLASS RANK-MARKING SYSTEM

In accordance with the Rockville Centre Board of Education policy, students are **not** ranked by cumulative averages relative to their classmates. The grades for individual courses are reported as earned. Final grades in courses which are designated as Advanced Placement and/or International Baccalaureate, (with the exception of IB Math Applications Yr. 1), will be proportionately weighted by 1.15 in the determination of the student’s grade point average. Advanced Chemistry, Math Advanced topics, IB Math Applications Yr. 1, Advanced Humanity topics, Research Skills Intel Grade 11-12, Chamber Singers, Chamber Orchestra, Wind Ensemble and Jazz Ensemble will be proportionately weighted by 1.1 in the determination of the student’s grade point average. All marks, including failures and subjects repeated, are averaged. The minimum passing grade is 65%.

CUMULATIVE AVERAGES

Based on the class rank marking system detailed above, these are the deciles of the current senior class based on GPA. The top 10% of the class have a GPA at or above 101.25. The top 20% of the class have a GPA at or above 99.31. The top 30% of the class have a GPA at or above 97.66. The top 40% of the class have a GPA at or above 96.00. The top 50% of the class have a GPA at or above 94.01. The top 60% of the class have a GPA at or above 91.84. The top 70% of the class have a GPA at or above 88.95. The top 80% of the class have a GPA at or above 83.98. The additional 20% have a GPA below 83.98. These averages are weighted as stated above, and South Side High School does not provide unweighted averages.

COLLEGE PLACEMENT — CLASSES OF 2022 & 2023

Adelphi University	George Washington University	Providence College	Tulane University of Louisiana
Adelphi University (School of Business)	George Washington University (Sch of Bus & Pub Mgmt)	Purdue University-Main Campus	United States Merchant Marine Academy
Alabama State University	Georgia Institute of Technology	Quinnipiac University	United States Military Academy
Babson College	Gettysburg College	Rhode Island School of Design	United States Naval Academy
Belmont University	Hamilton College	Rochester Institute of Technology	University at Buffalo
Bentley University	Harvard University	Roger Williams University	University at Buffalo (Engineer & Applied Sciences)
Berklee College of Music	High Point University	Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology	University of California-San Diego
Binghamton University	Hobart William Smith Colleges	Rutgers University-New Brunswick	University of Colorado Boulder
Boston College	Hofstra University	Sacred Heart University	University of Connecticut
Boston University	Indiana University-Bloomington	Savannah College of Art and Design	University of Dayton
Brown University	Iona College	Selon Hall University	University of Delaware
Bryn Mawr College	Ithaca College	Siena College	University of Denver
Bucknell University	James Madison University	Skidmore College	University of Florida
California Polytechnic State University	Johns Hopkins University	Southern New Hampshire University	University of Georgia
Carnegie Mellon University	Kean University	St. John's University-New York	University of Hartford
Catholic University of America	King's College	Stanford University	University of Maine
Clemson University	La Salle University	State University of New York at New Paltz	University of Maryland-College Park
Coastal Carolina University	Lafayette College	Stevens Institute of Technology	University of Massachusetts-Amherst
Colgate University	Lasell University	Stony Brook University	University of Massachusetts-Amherst
College of Charleston	Le Moyne College	Suffolk County Community College	University of Miami
Cornell University	Lehigh University	SUNY at Albany	University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
Culinary Institute of America	Long Island University	SUNY Broome Community College	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
CUNY City College	Loyola University Maryland	SUNY College at Geneseo	University of North Texas
CUNY Hunter College	Manhattanville College	SUNY College at Old Westbury	University of Notre Dame
CUNY John Jay College of Criminal Justice	Marist College	SUNY College at Oswego	University of Pennsylvania
CUNY New York City College of Technology	Molloy College	SUNY College at Plattsburgh	University of Pittsburgh-Pittsburgh Campus
CUNY Queens College	Monash University	SUNY College of Technology at Delhi	University of Rhode Island
Dartmouth College	Monmouth University	SUNY Cortland	University of Scranton
Duke University	Muhlenberg College	SUNY Cortland	University of South Carolina-Columbia
Duquesne University	Nassau Community College	SUNY Maritime College	University of South Carolina-Columbia
Elon University	New York University	SUNY Oneonta	University of Toronto
Emerson College	Northeastern University	Syracuse University	University of Vermont
Fairfield University	Nova Southeastern University	Syracuse University (School of Public Comm)	University of Virginia-Main Campus
Farmingdale State College	Ohio State University-Main Campus	Texas Tech University	University of Wisconsin-Madison
Fashion Institute of Technology SUNY	Old Dominion University	The College of New Jersey	Vassar College
Five Towns College	Pace University, Westchester Campus	The College of Saint Rose	Vaughn College of Aeronautics and Technology
Florida Gulf Coast University	Palm Beach Atlantic University	The New School	Villanova University
Florida Institute of Technology	Peabody Conservatory of John Hopkins Un.	The University of Alabama	Virginia Polytechnic Institute and St University
Fordham University	Pennsylvania State University-Main Campus	The University of Arizona	Wake Forest University
Fordham University (Fordham College at Rose Hill)	Post University	The University of Tampa	West Virginia University
Franklin and Marshall College	Pratt Institute-Main	The University of Tennessee-Knoxville	Wheaton College
		Tufts University	Yale University

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