



**THREE VILLAGE
CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

WARD MELVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

2020-2021 PROFILE

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ABOUT THE COMMUNITY

Located 50 miles from Manhattan, in the Three Village area, Ward Melville High School is situated in one of the most picturesque and inviting communities on Long Island's North Shore. The proximity of Stony Brook University affords students opportunities to participate in a plethora of intellectual and co-curricular activities.

The areas of Stony Brook, Setauket, and Old Field are home to a culturally diverse population whose residents are frequently employed by Stony Brook University, the Stony Brook Medical Center, and Brookhaven National Laboratory. This internationally represented community is reflected in the high school, granting our students a unique global view of the world in which they live.

ABOUT THE SCHOOL

Ward Melville is a nationally recognized public high school with a current population of 1564 in grades 10-12. More than 93% of the 2020 graduates pursued advanced education. Nine (9) Ward Melville seniors were awarded National Merit Finalist status in 2020. Our students have achieved international, national, state, and local recognition for academic, musical, artistic, and athletic endeavors.

ABOUT THE CURRICULUM

Ward Melville High School offers an extensive selection of programs and courses that challenge its student population. Levels of study can vary to meet student needs and include Advanced Placement (AP), Honors and college preparatory courses. Many of the Advanced Placement and Honors courses have articulation agreements with state and local universities. Additional core courses and electives are offered at the college preparatory level.

27 ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSE OFFERINGS

- World History I, II
- European History
- English Literature and Composition
- English Language and Composition
- U.S. History
- Government and Politics: Comparative
- Government and Politics: U.S.
- Psychology
- Calculus AB
- Calculus BC
- Statistics
- Computer Science A
- Computer Science Principles
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics 1/ Physics 2
- Physics C
- Environmental Science
- French
- Spanish
- Italian
- Music Theory
- AP 2D Art & Design
- AP 3D Art & Design
- AP Drawing

ADVANCED PLACEMENT STATISTICS 2020

AP Scholars.....	96
AP Scholar with Honor.....	68
AP Scholar with Distinction.....	110
National AP Scholar.....	31

NEW YORK STATE ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

NY State Scholarship for
Academic Excellence Winners14
(Pending NY State funding)

63 HONOR LEVEL COURSE OFFERINGS

- English 9H, 10H, 11H
 - Independent Writing for Publication H
 - Intro to Sociology H
 - Economics H
 - Criminal Justice H
 - Pre-Calculus AB H, Pre-Calculus BC H
 - Overview of Calculus H
 - Algebra IIIH, Algebra II Theory
 - Multivariable Calculus and Linear Algebra H
 - Differential Equations H
 - Forensics Science H
 - Human Anatomy H, Human Physiology H
 - Science Research 9
 - Earth Science H, Earth Smart H, Biology H, Chemistry H, Physics H
 - Spanish C, D, V; Italian C, D, V; French C, D, V
 - Language, Culture and Literacy of Romance Languages H
 - Intro to Graphic Design H, Advanced Graphic Design H
 - Video Production H, Advanced Video Production H
 - Media II H
 - Film and Broadcast Journalism H
 - Advertising Practices and Application H
 - Publication Design
 - Symphonic Band H
 - Camerata
 - Chamber Orchestra
 - Chamber Ensemble
 - Jazz Lab III
 - Wind Ensemble
 - Comprehensive Foundations Music II
 - Marketing H
 - Business Organization and Management
 - Accounting I H, II H
 - Critical Health Issues H
 - Principles of Engineering H
 - Cisco Networking I H, II H
 - Mechatronics I, II, III, IV, V
 - Robotics H
 - InSTAR Science Technology and Research Program H
- *Multivariable Calculus and Linear Algebra and Differential Equations are weighted the same as AP courses but do not culminate in an AP exam.

**According to NYSED, students who have accelerated by taking high school courses in 7th grade may not earn credit for those courses. The course and the grade earned will appear on the student's transcript without credit and no grade point average value.*

OUTSTANDING RECOGNITIONS 2020

InSTAR PROGRAM

Regeneron STS Scholars.....4	Presenters L.I. Science and Engineering Fair.....11
New York State Science & Engineering Fair Finalist.....1	NSPC Health Science Competition Finalists.....10
International Science & Engineering Fair Finalists.....2	* Due to 2020 COVID-19 closures, participation in NSTA/Toshiba ExploraVision, Brookhaven National Labs Bridge, and L.I. Science Congress competitions were cancelled.

GRADING SYSTEM

A weighted GPA is provided on the student transcript. The GPA is cumulative and grades are weighted according to course level. Ward Melville High School does not rank students.

**Due to COVID-19, students were graded in the 4th quarter using a grade of either Pass/Fail or a numeric grade, whichever resulted in a higher final average. All other quarters were numeric.*

**In addition, due to the COVID-19 restrictions mandated by New York State, some course offerings were reduced this year resulting in fewer options available to students.*

GRADING VALUES

- Numeric - Based on a scale of 100
- Three levels of weighting:

AP	Grade earned x 1.08
THEORY	Grade earned x 1.07
HONORS	Grade earned x 1.06
REGENTS	Grade earned x 1.00

DISTRIBUTION OF CUMULATIVE GPAs WMHS CLASS OF 2021 (AS OF SEPTEMBER 2020)

100-105 = 12%	90-95 = 34%	80-84 = 12%	70-74 = 1%
96-99 = 19%	85-89 = 16%	75-79 = 5%	65-69 = 1%

CLASS OF 2020 STATISTICS

Four Year College.....	74.81%
Two Year College.....	17.35%
Military.....	0.00%
Employment.....	1.22%
Undecided.....	4.54%
Other	<1%
Graduates.....	536
Graduation Rate.....	93.54%
National Merit Finalists.....	9

2020 SAT/ACT SCORES

SAT

WMHS	Mean Evidence Based ERW = 595	M= 607
NY State	Mean Evidence Based ERW = 531	M= 533

ACT (2019 scores)

WMHS	Composite.....25
NY State	Composite.....24.5

**Due to Covid-19 many of our students were not able to take the SAT or ACT during the 2019-20 school year.*

Highest GPA for the class of 2021 as of September 2020: 104.33

Class of 2021 = 577

CLASS OF 2020

COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY ACCEPTANCES/ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

These percentages reflect our 2020 graduates who have been accepted into and will be attending 4-year colleges and universities. These delineations are based on Barron's Selector Categories.

MOST COMPETITIVE	# student acceptances = 361	% students attending = 18 %
HIGHLY COMPETITIVE..	# student acceptances = 567	% students attending = 21%
VERY COMPETITIVE	# student acceptances = 730	% students attending = 20%
COMPETITIVE	# student acceptances = 466	% students attending = 16 %
SUNY SCHOOLS.....	# student acceptances = 730	% students attending = 43%
IVY LEAGUE	# student acceptances = 20	% students attending = 4%

College Acceptances by Recent Ward Melville Graduates

Adelphi University	Florida Atlantic University	Providence College	The College of New Jersey
Alfred University	Fordham University	Queens College	Towson State University
American University	Franklin and Marshall	Quinnipiac University	Trinity College
Amherst College	George Washington U.	Reed College	Tufts University
Arizona State University	Georgetown University	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	Tulane University
Babson College	Gettysburg College	Rhode Island School of Design	U.S. Air Force Academy
Bard College	Goucher College	Ringling College of Art and Design	U.S. Merchant Marine Academy
Barnard College	Hamilton College	Rochester Institute Technology	U.S. Military Academy W. Point
Bates College	Hampshire College	Rutgers University	United States Naval Academy
Bentley College	Hartwick College	Sacred Heart University	University of Arizona
Berklee College of Music	Harvard/Radcliffe College	Sarah Lawrence College	University of British Columbia
Boston College	Harvey Mudd College	Savannah College of Art	University of California /L.A.
Boston University	Haverford College	School of the Museum of Fine Arts/Boston	University of Chicago
Bowdoin College	Hobart & William Smith College	School of Visual Arts	University of Colorado
Brandeis University	Hofstra University	Siena College	University of Connecticut
Brown University	Hunter College	Smith College	University of Delaware
Bucknell University	Indiana University	Springfield College	University of Florida
California Institute of Tech	Iona College	St. John's University	University of Hartford
Carnegie Mellon University	Ithaca College	Stanford University	University of Maryland
Case Western Reserve U.	James Madison University	SUNY Albany	University of Mary Washington
Claremont-McKenna College	Johns Hopkins University	SUNY Binghamton	University of Massachusetts
Clark University	Johnson & Wales College	SUNY Brockport	University of Michigan
Clemson University	Juilliard	SUNY Buffalo College	University of Notre Dame
Colby College	Kenyon College	SUNY Buffalo University	University of North Carolina
Colgate University	LIU, C.W. Post College	SUNY Cortland	University of New Hampshire
College of Holy Cross	Lafayette College	SUNY Delhi	University of Pennsylvania
Columbia University	Lehigh University	SUNY Fashion Institute of Technology	University of Pittsburgh
Connecticut College	Loyola University	SUNY Fredonia	University of Rhode Island
Cornell University	Lynchburg College	SUNY Geneseo	University of Southern California
CUNY - Hunter College	Manhattan College	SUNY Maritime	University of Texas
CUNY - John Jay College	Marist College	SUNY New Paltz	University of Vermont
CUNY - Queens College	Mass. Institute of Technology	SUNY Old Westbury	University of Wisconsin
Curry College	Mass. College of Art & Design	SUNY Oneonta	Union College
Dartmouth College	McGill University	SUNY Oswego	Vassar College
Dean College	Miami University	SUNY Plattsburgh	Villanova University
Denison University	Middlebury College	SUNY Potsdam	Wake Forest University
Dickinson University	Mount Holyoke College	SUNY Purchase	Washington University
Drew University	Muhlenberg College	SUNY Stony Brook	Wellesley College
Duke University	N.Y. Institute of Technology	Suffolk County Community College	Wesleyan University
Elon College	New York University	Swarthmore College	William & Mary College
Elmira College	Oberlin College	Syracuse University	Williams College
Emerson College	Parsons School of Design	Temple University	Yale University
Emory University	Pennsylvania State University		York College of Pennsylvania
Fairfield University	Pepperdine University		
Fashion Institute of Technology	Pratt Institute		
Five Towns College	Princeton University		

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