



PRAIRIE CENTRAL

— HIGH SCHOOL —

CURRICULUM

Prairie Central High School provides a curriculum with more than 120 course offerings on a four-block schedule, enabling students to earn as many as 32 credits in state mandated, vocational, and college preparatory education. PCHS makes it possible for a student to earn 36 transferable hours of college credit through dual credit (Parkland College & Heartland Community College) and Advanced Placement (AP) programs. Courses are offered on campus in the disciplines of math (statistics, calculus), language arts (composition 101-2), business (Java programming, business software), and social studies (U.S. History 104-5); and at the Livingston Area Career Center in engineering, nursing, welding, and computer networking.

CO-CURRICULUM

The music program at PCHS has been recognized in a variety of competitions and festivals. A number of students in the program have been named to IMEA bands and choruses. The Future Farmers of America (FFA) judging teams have won more than 115 state championships and four national championships since 1986. The Family Career & Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) has earned state-wide, as well as, national recognition for projects, and has advanced several students to state offices, including two to the state presidency.

85 students have been named Illinois State Scholars over the past five years.

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PCHS SCHOOL FACTS

Enrollment: 600

Certified Staff: 45

COLLEGE ATTENDANCE RATES

Approximately 70% of graduates attend four-year colleges, community/junior colleges, or trade schools.

ACT

Tested Area	Prairie Central (All Students)	Illinois
Reading	20.9	20.0
English	20.5	20.5
Math	20.8	20.6
Science	21.1	20.6
Composite	21.0	20.8

STANDARDIZED TESTING INFORMATION

PCHS students enrolled in the core curriculum compared with the Illinois average state score:

ACT Class Profile	PCHS Composite (Core)	Illinois Composite
2015-16 Math	27.0	23.6
2015-16 Science	23.5	21.9

THE LIVINGSTON AREA CAREER CENTER

The LACC offers career and technical education to juniors and seniors including dual credit courses in the following areas:

- Automotive Technician
- Computer Maintenance
- Computer Networking
- Construction Trades
- Cosmetology
- Culinary Arts
- Early Childhood Education
- Engineering / Architectural Design
- Emergency Medical Technician
- Inter-related Co-operative Education
- Law Enforcement
- Office Information Processing
- Visual Media Arts
- Welding

“The mission of Prairie Central High School is to provide quality education in a safe environment through a shared relationship with a group of diverse communities, to be pro-active and student-oriented, to provide experiences through an innovative curriculum and caring people, thereby preparing students for life-long learning in a global society.”

— *PCHS Mission Statement*