# 2019/2020 School Profile

# **GRISWOLD HIGH SCHOOL**

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# Vision of the Griswold High School Graduate

#### **Effective Communicator**

The Griswold graduate demonstrates an ability to communicate effectively and confidently through writing, speaking, listening, presenting, collaborating and other forms of creative expression.

#### **Critical Thinker**

The Griswold graduate demonstrates an ability to gather and evaluate information, analyze objectively, form a judgment, develop a hypothesis, and initiate inquiry through the mastery of multiple literacies.

#### **Resilient Problem Solver**

The Griswold graduate demonstrates an ability to achieve goals by taking risks, and solving problems with flexibility, strategic planning, attention to detail and perseverance.

#### **Engaged Citizen**

The Griswold graduate demonstrates an ability to engage in service-oriented and civic-minded activities and to utilize cultural literacy and integrity to make responsible and culturally-sensitive decisions.

#### The Community

Griswold, which includes the Borough of Jewett City, is a rural community located in Eastern Connecticut. In addition to educating Griswold Students, the High School is a tuition school to the bordering towns of Canterbury, Lisbon, Sprague, and Voluntown. With power from the Quinebaug and Pachaug rivers, Jewett City was once a prosperous mill town. Today, the gaming, tourism & manufacturing industries provide job opportunities.

#### The School

Griswold High School is a four-year comprehensive high school which offers a variety of curricular & co-curricular programs. Accredited through the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, Griswold offers eight Career Pathways that provide college and career preparation for all students. In addition to a rigorous academic program, there are numerous other student-centered athletic, artistic and leadership opportunities. During the 2019/2020 school year, there are 540 students enrolled.

## The Faculty

Griswold High School has a total of 54 academic faculty, 3 school counselors, a reading specialist, a library media specialist, an English Language Learner assistant, an academic academy coordinator, a school psychologist, and a school social worker.

## **Partnerships & Special Programs:**

- College Career Pathways (CCP) is an option available for concurrent credit with Three Rivers Community College or Quinebaug Valley Community College to earn College Credits.
- Early College Experience (ECE) offers the opportunity for concurrent credit with the University of Connecticut
- Virtual High School (VHS) or PLATO are available to earn credit via on-line courses.
- Advanced Placement Examinations
  - AP Exams are offered in English Language, English Literature & Composition, Calculus AB & BC, Physics 1, Computer Science, US History, American Government and Politics & VHS AP Courses

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- Total number of tests given in 2019: 107
- Test Scores of 3 or higher: 67%

# **SAT Summary Class of 2020**

24 total credits required for graduation

98% of Griswold High School Seniors took the SAT

|             | Total | ELA | Math |
|-------------|-------|-----|------|
| Griswold    | 958   | 493 | 466  |
| Connecticut | 1012  | 513 | 499  |

# Graduation Requirements: Class of 2020, 2021 & 2022

| 24 total credits required for graduation |           | Course Levels                          |                              |
|--|-----------|--|------------------------------|
| English                                  | 4 credits | Advanced                               | AP/ECE (9 courses)           |
| Mathematics                              | 3 credits | Н                                      | Honors (12 courses)          |
| Social Studies                           | 3 credits | CP/Level 1                             | College Preparatory          |
| Science                                  | 3 credits | Level II                               | General Education            |
| <b>Physical Education</b>                | 1 credit  | Level III                              | Beginning level electives    |
| Health                                   | ½ credit  |  |                              |
| Financial & Prof Mgt.                    | ½ credit  | Griswold High School is on an AB Block |                              |
| Art/Vocational Education 1 credit        |           | Schedule:                              | 4 periods per day x A/B days |
| Electives                                | 8 credits |  |                              |

### **Grading System:**

A = 90 - 100 B = 80 - 89 C = 70 - 79 D = 65 - 69 F = 64 or below

### Class Rank:

Weighted cumulative rank in class is based on the Quality Point Average of all leveled courses. All levels above Level III carry a greater weight in determining class rank

**Howard University** 

#### **Determining Quality Points**

Advanced Final Grade x 1.2 = Quality Points Example:  $80 \times 1.2 = 96.0$  Honors Final Grade x 1.15 = Quality Points Example:  $80 \times 1.15 = 92.0$  Level I Final Grade x 1.10 = Quality Points Example:  $80 \times 1.10 = 88.0$  Level II Final Grade x 1.05 = Quality Points Example:  $80 \times 1.05 = 84.0$  Level III Final Grade x 1.00 = Quality Points Example:  $80 \times 1.00 = 80.0$ 

#### Our Students (2019 Profile):

Size of Graduating Class: 113 Students

## **Post-Secondary Plans:**

High Point University

Percentage attending 4 year colleges: 36%Percentage attending 2 year colleges: 30%

• Percentage attending certificate/apprenticeship or training programs:3%

Percentage joining Armed Forces: 10%

• Percentage immediately joining workforce: 21%

## <u>Colleges & Technical Programs Attended by Griswold High School Graduates:</u>

Albertus Magnus College American International College
Bay Path University Becker College Beker College Belmont University
Bentley University Boston University Bryant University

Castleton State College Cedarville University Central Connecticut State Univ.

Champlain College City University of New York Clark University

College of Coastal Georgia College of Saint Rose Colorado State University

Community College of RI Connecticut College Curry College

Dean College East Carolina University Eastern University

Elizabethtown College Elms College Emerson College
Emmanuel College Florida Gulf Coast University Florida State University
Fordham University Franklin Pierce University Full Sail University
Goodwin College Green Mountain College Harvard University

Indian River State College Ithaca College John Jay College of the CUNY

Johnson & Wales University

Lasalle College

Liberty University

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Liberty University

Maine College of Art

Manchester Community College

Massachusetts Coll. of Art & Design MA College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences

Massachusetts Maritime Academy

Mitchell College New England Institute of Tech. Nichols College

Hofstra University

Northern Michigan University
Onondaga Community College
Quinebaug Valley Comm. Coll.
Regis College

Regis College

Sacred Heart University

Siena College Springfield College Stonehill College

SUNY College at Oswego The College of Saint Rose

Toni & Guy Hairdressing Academy

University of Bridgeport

University of Connecticut - Avery Point

University of ME at Machias University of New England University of Ohio

University of Southern Maine

West Virginia University Wheelock College

Northern Vermont University

Pace University
Quinnipiac University
Rhode Island College

Salve Regina

Southeastern University
St. Francis College
Suffolk University

Syracuse University
The New School

US Coast Guard Academy

University of Central Florida University of Hartford University of Maryland University of New Hampshire University of Rhode Island

University of Vermont Westfield State University

Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Norwich University

Plymouth State University Palo Alto Community College Roger Williams University Santa Monica College

Southern CT State University St. John's University SUNY College of Cortland

The Citadel

Three Rivers Community College

US Naval Academy

University of Connecticut - Storrs
University of ME at Farmington
University of MA at Boston
University of New Haven
University of Saint Joseph

Wentworth Institute of Technology Western New England University

# **Griswold High School Athletics:**

- Football
- Cross Country
- Volleyball
- Wrestling
- Indoor Track
- Lacrosse
- Outdoor Track
- Soccer
- Cheerleading
- Basketball
- Fencing
- Baseball
- Golf
- Softball

### **Clubs & Activities**

Fall Play Spring Musical

Yearbook National Honor Society

Men's Choir Women's Choir

Student Council Open Court Basketball
Chess Club Future Business Leader

Environmental Club Adult Coloring

Guitar Jam Senior Class Activities

Fitness Club Sign Language
Unified Sports Country Music
Quiet Reading Cybersecurity

Board Games Dance

Self-Defense Fantasy Football

Model United Nations GSA
Khan Academy Scrabble

Open Band/Orchestra Open Art Studio
Open Technology Lab Maker Space

TedTalks Dungeons & Dragons