2021/2022 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.

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.

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.

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, Norwich, Preston, 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 six 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 2021/2022 school year, there are 535 students enrolled. In the 2020/2021 school year, 42% of students received free or reduced lunch.

The Faculty

Griswold High School has a total of 55 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.
- A Manufacturing Program was started in 2020 in collaboration with the Manufacturing Pipeline Initiative
- Early College Experience (ECE) offers the opportunity for concurrent credit with the University of Connecticut for English, Biology, Introduction to Individual & Family Development, and Physics
- 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, Calculus AB & BC, Statistics, Psychology, Biology, Computer Science, US History, American Government and Politics & VHS AP Courses
 - Total number of tests given in 2021: 66
 - Test Scores of 3 or higher: 91%

SAT Summary Class of 2020

99% of Griswold High School Seniors took the SAT

	Total	ELA	Math
Griswold	961	494	467
Connecticut	1021	518	502

SAT Summary Class of 2022 based on the March SAT School Day

90% of Griswold High School Seniors took the SAT

	Total	ELA	Math
Griswold	956	484	472
Connecticut	1003	509	494

The Spring assessment of the SAT for the class of 2021 as the CT State Assessment in Reading and Math was unable to be held in March 2020 due to COVID. Unfortunately, the fall dates provided by the College Board for SAT School day did not align with our "in person" days for Seniors. The Class of 2021 was given the opportunity to take a Saturday SAT but it should be noted that most of the area schools canceled many test administrations due to safety concerns so the opportunity for seniors in the Class of 2021 to take the SAT was limited. Therefore the class of 2021 data has not been included due to a very low sample size.

Temporary Changes Due to COVID:

During Spring 2020, the quarter 3 grading period was shortened by several weeks and all students received pass with distinction (averaged as 95), pass (averaged as an 85) or fail grades (averaged as a 64) for the 4th quarter. For the 2020/2021 school year, all students were placed into cohort groups based on overall class level recommendations with most cohorts running on a 4 x 4 block schedule. For Advanced students taking AP courses, these courses ran for the entire year on an A/B Schedule. For safety reasons, students were not given choices in their courses so that they could remain with the same cohort group throughout the school day. Most traditional electives were not offered and many courses were modified to be better facilitated in a hybrid model or in a fully on-line environment when needed. Griswold High School started the school year in a hybrid model with 2 in person days and 3 distance learning days. Students/parents were also able to opt for a full distance learning model. Griswold High School is transitioning back to a full in-person, A/B Block Schedule for the 2021/22 school year.

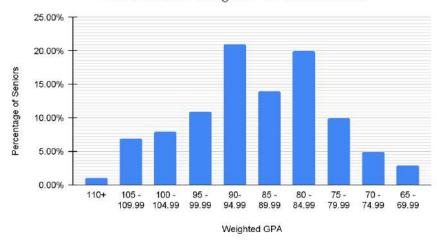
Graduation Requirements: Class of 2022

24 total credits required for graduation		Course Levels		
English	4 credits	Advanced	AP/ECE (11 courses)	
Mathematics	3 credits	Н	Honors (13 courses)	
Social Studies	3 credits	CP/Level 1	College Preparatory	
Science	3 credits	Level II	General Education	
Physical Education	1 credit	Level III	Beginning level electives	
Health	½ credit			
Financial & Prof Mgt.	½ credit	Griswold High	School is traditionally on an AB Block	
Art/Vocational Education	on 1 credit	Schedule:	4 periods per day x A/B days	
Electives	8 credits			

Grading System:	<u>Determin</u>	Determining Quality Points			
A = 90 - 100	Advanced	Final Grade x 1.2 = Quality Points	Eg: 80 x 1.2 = 96.0		
B = 80 - 89	Honors	Final Grade x 1.15 = Quality Points	Eg: 80 x1.15= 92.0		
C = 70 - 79	Level I	Final Grade x 1.10 = Quality Points	Eg: 80 x 1.10 = 88.0		
D = 65 - 69	Level II	Final Grade x 1.05 = Quality Point	Eg: 80 x 1.05 = 84.0		
F = 64 or below	Level III	Final Grade x 1.00 = Quality Points	Eg: 80 x 1.00 = 80.0		

Beginning in 2020-2021, the lowest grade issued is an F which is equivalent to 50 or below. This is averaged as a 50.





Our Students (2021 Profile):

Post-Secondary Plans: Size of Graduating Class: 116 Students

Percentage attending 4 year colleges: 31%Percentage attending 2 year colleges: 36%

Percentage attending certificate/apprenticeship or training programs: 4%

Percentage joining Armed Forces: 7%

Percentage immediately joining workforce: 22%

Colleges & Technical Programs Attended by Griswold High School Graduates:

Albertus Magnus College American International College Becker College **Belmont University Bryant University Brown University** Central CT State Univ. Champlain College College of Coastal Georgia College of Saint Rose Connecticut College Curry College Elizabethtown College Eastern University **Emmanuel College Endicott College** Fordham University Franklin Pierce University **Grand Canyon University** Green Mountain College Hofstra University **Howard University** John Jay Coll. of the CUNY Johnson & Wales University Lander University Lasalle College Lynn University Maine College of Art MA Coll of Pharm./Health Sci. Mass. Maritime Academy Northern Michigan University Nichols College Ohio State University Onondaga Comm. College Princeton University Quinebaug Valley Comm. Coll. Regis College Rhode Island College Salve Regina Sacred Heart University Southern CT State University Southeastern University St. John's University Stonehill College SUNY College at Oswego SUNY Stonybrook The College of Saint Rose The New School Trinity College **US Coast Guard Academy** University of Central Florida University of Conn.- Storrs Univ. of MA @ Dartmouth Univ. of ME at Farmington University of MA at Boston University of New England

Assumption College Bentley University Castleton State College City University of New York Colorado State University Dean College Elms College Florida Gulf Coast University Full Sail University Harvard University Indian River State College Johnson State College Liberty University Manchester Comm. College Mitchell College Northern Vermont University Pace University Quinnipiac University Rochester Inst of Technology Santa Monica College Springfield College Suffolk University Syracuse University Three Rivers Comm. College **US Naval Academy** Univ. of Conn. - Avery Point University of ME at Machias University of New Hampshire University of Saint Joseph Wentworth Institute of Tech. Wheelock College

Bay Path University **Boston University** Cedarville University Clark University Community College of RI East Carolina University **Emerson College** Florida State University Goodwin College High Point University Ithaca College Keene State College Lincoln Technical Institute Mass. Coll. of Art & Design New England Inst. of Tech. Norwich University Plymouth State University Palo Alto Community College Roger Williams University Siena College St. Francis College SUNY College of Cortland The Citadel Toni&Guy Hairdressing Acad. University of Bridgeport University of Hartford University of Maryland University of New Haven University of Southern Maine West Virginia University Worcester Polytechnic Inst.

Griswold High School Athletics:

University of Ohio University of Vermont

Westfield State University

Worcester State University

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

University of Rhode Island

Western New England Univ.

Wellesley College

Yale University