

GRISWOLD HIGH SCHOOL

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MISSION

The faculty and staff of Griswold High School provide a safe and accepting atmosphere in which all individuals learn, broaden their horizons, and achieve their full potential. Through the high expectations of a diverse and challenging curriculum, students acquire the knowledge and skills essential to take their places as responsible citizens and productive members of society. In alliance with the community, parents, students and faculty share responsibility for the success of the mission.

CEEB CODE
070325



2017/2018 School Profile

Administration

Mrs. Erin Palonen
Principal

Ms. Marceline Macrino
Associate Principal

Counseling Staff

Mrs. Suzanne Alfiero
School Counseling
Director

Ms. Katherine Kissack
School Counselor

Mrs. Elaine Taylor
School Counselor

Mrs. Darlene Melgey
School Counseling
Secretary

The School

Griswold High School is a four year comprehensive high school which offers an abundance of curricular and 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 2017/2018 school year, there are 562 students enrolled.

The Faculty

Griswold High School has a total of 56 academic faculty, three school counselors, a career coordinator, an academic academy coordinator, a school psychologist and a school social worker.

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 Voluntown, Canterbury, Sprague & Lisbon. With power from the Quinebaug and Pachaug Rivers, Jewett City was once a prosperous mill town. Today, the gaming and tourism industry provide job opportunities and development for the region. Nestled in New London County, Griswold residents enjoy the pleasure of rural living in this quiet mill town setting.

Our Students (2017 Profile):

Size of Graduating Class: 132

Post-Secondary Plans:

- Percentage attending 4-year colleges: 40%
- Percentage attending 2-year colleges: 34%
- Percentage attending cert./training: 4%
- Percentage joining Armed Forces: 7%

Advanced Placement Examinations:

AP Exams are offered in Computer Science, English Language, English Literature, Calculus, Physics, US History, American Government and Politics & in VHS AP Courses

- Total number of tests given in 2017: 96
- Total number of students taking tests: 51
- Test scores of 3 or higher: 35

Partnerships & Special Programs:

- College Career Pathway (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 in English, or Individual & Family Development.
- Virtual High School (VHS) & PLATO are available to earn credit via on-line courses.
- Every student declares a career pathway their freshman year and takes a series of courses within that pathway. Pathway options include: Fine Arts, Media Technology & Communications, Business, Health Sciences, Hospitality, Education & Human Services, Manufacturing or Construction



SAT Summary

86% of Griswold High School Seniors took the SAT Reasoning Test

	Total	Reading/Writing	Math
Griswold	1022	526	496
Connecticut	1029	524	505
Nation	1070	538	533



ACT Summary

8% of Griswold High School Seniors took the ACT Reasoning Test

	English	Math	Reading	Science	Comp.
Griswold	21.4	20.5	22.1	24.3	22.1
Connecticut	25.5	24.6	25.6	24.6	25.2
Nation	20.3	20.7	21.4	21.0	21.0



Graduation Requirements

23 total credits required for graduation

English	4 Credits
Mathematics	3 Credits
Social Studies	3 Credits
Science	3 Credits
Physical Education	1 Credit
Health	½ Credit
Financial & Prof. Mgt.	½ Credit
Computer Applications	1 Credit
Art/Vocational Education	1 Credit
Electives	6 Credits

Griswold High School is on an AB Block
Schedule: 4 periods per day x A/B days

Course Levels

Advanced	AP/ECE (8 courses)
H	Honors (12 courses)
CP/Level I	College Preparatory
Level II	General Education
Level III	Elective

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.

Determining Quality Points

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

Griswold High School Athletics

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

Some of Griswold High School's Extra-Curricular Activities

- **Fall Play**
- **Spring Musical**
- **Yearbook**
- **National Honor Society**
- **Men's Choir**
- **Newspaper Club**
- **Open Court Basketball**
- **Technology Student Association**
- **FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America)**
- **GSA (Gay Straight Alliance)**
- **Granola Girls**
- **Fitness Club**
- **Board Games Club**
- **Scrabble Club**
- **Student Council**
- **Women's Choir**
- **Special Olympics**
- **Robotics Club**

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COLLEGES AND TECHNICAL SCHOOLS ATTENDED BY RECENT GRISWOLD HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

American International College
Assumption College
Bay Path University
Becker College
Belmont University
Bentley University
Boston University
Bryant University
Castleton State College
Cedarville University
Central Connecticut State University
Champlain College
City University of New York
Clark University
College of Coastal Georgia
College of Saint Rose
Colorado State University
Community College of Rhode Island
Connecticut College
Curry College
East Carolina University
Eastern Connecticut State University
Eastern University
Elizabethtown
Elms College
Emerson College
Florida Gulf Coast University
Florida State University
Fordham University
Franklin Pierce University
Full Sail University
Green Mountain College
Harvard University
High Point University
Hofstra University
Indian River State College
Ithaca College
John Jay College of the CUNY
Johnson & Wales University
Johnson State College
Keene State College
Keiser Career Institute – Port St. Lucie
Lasalle College
Liberty University
Lincoln Technical Institute
Lynn University
Manchester Community College
Massachusetts College of Art & Design
Massachusetts College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences

Massachusetts Maritime Academy
Mitchell College
New England Institute of Technology
Nichols College
Norwich University
Nova Southeastern University
Onondaga Community College
Pace University
Plymouth State University
Quinebaug Valley Community College
Quinnipiac University
Palo Alto Community College
Rhode Island College
Roger Williams University
Sacred Heart University
Salve Regina
Santa Monica College
Siena College
Southeastern University
Southern Connecticut State University
Springfield College
St. Francis College
St. John's University
Stonehill College
Suffolk University
SUNY College at Cortland
SUNY College at Oswego
Syracuse University
Three Rivers Community College
United States Coast Guard Academy
United States Naval Academy
University of Bridgeport
University of Central Florida
University of Connecticut – Storrs
University of Connecticut – Avery Point
University of Hartford
University of Maine at Farmington
University of Maine at Machias
University of Maryland
University of New Hampshire
University of New Haven
University of Ohio
University of Rhode Island
University of Saint Joseph
University of Vermont
Western New England University
Wheelock College
Worcester Polytechnic Institute

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