



# EVANSTON TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL

## 2021-22 School Profile

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### CEE/ACT CODE # 141860

**MISSION:** *Embracing its diversity, ETHS dedicates itself to educating all students to their fullest potential.*

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### SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY

Evanston Township High School (ETHS) District 202 is a four-year (9-12), comprehensive high school occupying a 65-acre campus in Evanston, Illinois, a suburb of Chicago along the Lake Michigan shore. ETHS was established in 1883 and serves the city of Evanston and a small portion of the neighboring village of Skokie for a total district population of approximately 78,000.

The attendance area of the school is home to Northwestern University and Oakton Community College, and has a variety of office developments, technology parks, light industrial, and shopping districts. Together, the two communities offer an ethnic, economic, racial, and cultural diversity that is reflected in the student body. Evanston Township High School has more than 250 certified staff members, a majority of whom have a Master's degree or beyond. ETHS is fully accredited by the State of Illinois.

### SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

- Nationally ranked in top 5% of high schools (*sources: U.S. News & World Report 2021*)
- Nationally recognized in 2020 as a Project Lead The Way (PLTW) Distinguished School
- Technology Education Association of Illinois 2017 High School Program of the Year Award in Career and Technical Education (CTE)
- Google for Education Reference District, as of 2017
- 2016 Magna Award 1st Place winner in the under 5,000 enrollment category for the teamASAP Program

### CURRICULUM

Evanston Township High School provides a rigorous career and college preparatory curriculum with over 250 courses. The curriculum includes an extensive range of academic courses, fine arts, career and technical education courses, and electives in all core academic areas. Honors-level credit can be earned in 154 courses in all curricular areas except physical and wellness education. ETHS offers 34 Advanced Placement (AP) courses in the areas of Career & Technical Education, English, fine arts, history/social science, mathematics, science and world languages. The Career & Technical Education Department at ETHS offers a series of six (6) Project Lead the Way (PLTW) engineering courses that integrate national academic and technical learning standards and Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics (STEAM) principles.

**Pathway to Honors Course.** American Legal Systems, all Fine Arts, and Career & Technical Education courses, excluding PLTW and AP courses, provide students a pathway to honors credit. These courses provide all students with an articulated road map to honors credit. Honors credit is recognized at the end of each semester based on the successful completion of the pathway.

**Career Pathways and Certifications.** ETHS provides career-related education and training in 15 different career areas including Project Lead The Way engineering, health sciences, water operator training, and public safety training in partnership with the Evanston Police and Fire Departments and Oakton Community College. Students enrolled in specific courses can earn industry-recognized certifications such as Automotive Service Excellence (student level), Level 1 Early Care and Education (ECE) credential, National Institute of Metalworking Skills (NIMS) certification, food safety and sanitation certifications, and Pharmacy Technician certification.

**Northwestern University College Credit.** Students who have exhausted all of the available accelerated courses in an academic area at ETHS may take advanced courses for college credit at Northwestern University through a special scholarship program.

**Dual Credit.** Students may dual enroll in both an ETHS class and the equivalent Oakton Community College or Northeastern Illinois University (NEIU) course and receive college credit. Through articulation agreements with Oakton/NEIU, students will register with the college and after successfully passing the ETHS class, will receive college credit for the course. Dual credit is currently offered in certain courses in the Career and Technical Education, Fine Arts, History/Social Science and Mathematics Departments.

## STUDENT ENROLLMENT

as of September 30, 2021

**Total number of students: 3,728**

|            |      |
|------------|------|
| Seniors    | 870  |
| Juniors    | 893  |
| Sophomores | 868  |
| Freshmen   | 1007 |

Special Education Enrollment 475

Low-Income Enrollment 33%

American Indian 0.3%

Asian 5.5%

Black/African American 24.6%

Hispanic/Latino 20.1%

Native Hawaiian 0.2%

Two or more races 4.2%

White 45.2%

*Data reflects federal race and ethnicity reporting categories.*

## CURRICULUM SNAPSHOT

Bilingual Education

Career and Technical Education

*Art/Communication, Business Management, Health Science/Services, Industry/Engineering, Environmental/Natural Resources*

Community Service

Driver's Education

English & Reading

Fine Arts

*Visual Arts, Music, Speech Arts*

History & Social Science

Mathematics

Physical Education

Science

Special Education

Wellness Education

World Languages

*American Sign Language, Mandarin Chinese, French, German, Japanese, Latin, and Spanish*

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## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students must earn a minimum of 48 semester credits and successfully complete the following core requirements to earn an ETHS diploma:

|                           |   |  |    |                       |      |
|---------------------------|---|--|----|-----------------------|------|
| English                   | 8 | Civics   | 2  | Reading (if required) | PASS |
| Mathematics               | 6 | Physical Education                                 | 7  | Consumer Education    | PASS |
| Science                   | 4 | Wellness Education                                 | 1  | Constitution Test     | PASS |
| History & Social Sciences | 4 | Fine Arts / Career & Technical Education Electives | 3  | State Sponsored SAT   | Gr11 |
|                           |   |  | 13 |                       |      |

## GRADING SCALE

|    |     |    |     |    |     |    |                                |  |
|----|-----|----|-----|----|-----|----|--------------------------------|--|
| A  | 4.0 | B- | 2.7 | D+ | 1.3 | I  | Incomplete                     | <i>Highest weighted GPA in Class of 2020: 4.6023</i>   |
| A- | 3.7 | C+ | 2.3 | D  | 1.0 | P  | Pass in Pass/Fail Course       |  |
| B+ | 3.3 | C  | 2.0 | F  | 0.0 | PF | Fail in Pass/Fail Course       | <i>Highest unweighted GPA in Class of 2020: 4.0000</i> |
| B  | 3.0 | C- | 1.7 |    |     | NC | No Credit (lack of attendance) |  |

Values are increased by .5 for honors courses (A = 4.5); by 1.0 for Advanced Placement (AP) courses (A = 5) with completion of the AP exam; and Project Lead the Way (PLTW) courses with completion of the end of course exam (A = 5). AP credit is not offered in Summer School. All other grades earned in Summer School have the same value as those earned during the school year. ETHS no longer calculates class rank, effective with the Class of 2014.

**ETHS courses completed during middle school** (e.g., 1 Algebra and Geometry) may be listed on transcripts and are applied toward graduation requirements. Grades earned are averaged into a student's cumulative GPA.

**Transfer students** receive credit only for courses they have passed which are evaluated as comparable to those offered at ETHS. Transfer courses are listed on transcripts by subject area rather than by specific title, and a P for "passed" replaces a grade. Transfer credit is not calculated in the GPA.

**College/University courses** appear on transcripts as pass/fail.

## ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) EXAM SCORES

All students taking ETHS AP courses are required to take the corresponding AP exam. In the spring of 2021, 793 students (21% of the student body) took 1,678 AP exams.

## NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The ETHS Class of 2022 had 15 Semifinalists and 4 Commended Students in the National Merit Scholarship Program.

## SAT TEST SCORES

Ninety-eight percent (98%) of students from the Class of 2020 took the state-administered SAT. ETHS students continue to score higher than the national average.

| Class of 2020 | Evidence-based Reading & Writing |          | Math |          |
|---------------|----------------------------------|----------|------|----------|
|               | ETHS                             | National | ETHS | National |
|               | 539                              | 528      | 540  | 523      |

**FOUR-YEAR GRADUATION RATE (CLASS OF 2020) 93%**

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*Illinois calculates a 4-year graduation rate and a 5-year graduation rate for the same cohort of students.*

**COLLEGE ATTENDANCE RATE (CLASS OF 2019) 83%**

*Percent of students enrolled in college at any time during the first year after high school.*

|         |     |        |     |              |     |
|---------|-----|--------|-----|--------------|-----|
| Public  | 48% | 4-Year | 66% | Out-of-State | 41% |
| Private | 35% | 2-Year | 17% | In-State     | 41% |

*Source: the National Student Clearinghouse as of January 13, 2021*

## COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY MATRICULATION (CLASS OF 2018)

*Colleges where six or more ETHS students planned to attend based on final transcript request.*

|                            |   |   |
|----------------------------|---|---|
| Columbia College - Chicago | New York University                       | University of Illinois - Chicago          |
| DePaul University          | Northeastern Illinois University          | University of Illinois - Urbana-Champaign |
| Illinois State University  | Northern Illinois University              | University of Iowa                        |
| Indiana University         | Northwestern University                   | University of Michigan                    |
| Lawrence University        | Oakton Community College                  | University of Minnesota                   |
| Loyola University          | Southern Illinois University - Carbondale | University of Wisconsin - Madison         |
| Marquette University       | University of Colorado - Boulder          | Western Michigan University               |
| Michigan State University  |   |   |