



# LOYALSOCK TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL

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*A 2014 Recipient of the Governor's Award for Excellence in Academics*



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## SCHOOL PROFILE

CEEB Code: 395-308

Mrs. Diane Stanzione

**School Counselor (A-K)**

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**School Counselor (L-Z)**

Mrs. Christina Herman

**Career Development Specialist**

### Location and Demographics

Loyalsock Township High School is a comprehensive 9-12 public high school located in Loyalsock Township, positioned on the east side of Williamsport, Pennsylvania. Servicing a township population of 12,000, most of the approximately 500 students comprise middle and high socioeconomic status. A sizeable number and variety of small businesses and retail establishments comprise much of the economy within the school district's boundaries. Even in recently evidenced difficult economic times, the Loyalsock Township economy and community remains very stable.

### Academic Achievement and Recognition - A Snapshot

Students who attend Loyalsock Township High School have the opportunity to excel within a 21<sup>st</sup> century learning environment in which a 1:1 iPad initiative enables students to experience depth and breadth to their learning. Students can take a wide array of coursework within career interest and post-secondary focus areas. As a result, individual students have historically achieved at high levels and continue to be very competitive among other students nationally in a variety of academic areas. High student achievement has been evidenced on a variety of assessments/measures, including: PSAT/SAT merit and commended scholars; percentage of students taking and passing AP exams; and, above average Keystone Exam scores. A competitive student body, students' work ethic has earned our school such recent accomplishments as a consistent *U.S. News & World Report* Silver Medal Award recipient (2015 as well), an 89.4% Pennsylvania school performance profile rating, a 2014 recipient of the Governor's School for Excellence in Academics, and a 2014 National Blue Ribbon finalist. With a truly devoted, student-centered, and talented faculty, our students' achievement is a by-product of the holistic approach that LTHS faculty and staff provide.

LTHS's faculty consists of thirty-five (35) faculty, with twenty-five (25) possessing a Master's degree or higher. Our dedicated faculty have also found local to international success: a 2004 and 2012 Pennsylvania State Teacher of the Year Finalist; the 2005 Pennsylvania Assistant Principal of the Year; the 2012 Ithaca College Recipient of the S'Park Media Mentor Award in Communications; a 2008-09 AP Biology Teacher of the Year finalist; a 2013 faculty recipient of the Making IT Happen - Pink Jacket Award (ISTE); a current AP Reader for the College Board; a music program, recognized for the past five years by the NAMM Foundation Best Communities for Music Education; an Art teacher's support of the Rwandan refugee orphans' national Memory Project; and a faculty member's facilitation of the 2012-13 Jostens National Yearbook Program of Excellence Award.

### Grading System and Class Rank

A: 90-100 B: 80-89 C: 70-79

D: 65-69 F: 64 and below

Class rank and GPA is determined using a 4.0 weighted level system. Students can earn credit among three course levels, including academic (weight = 1.0), honors, (weight = 1.04), and AP/college (weight = 1.08). All members of each graduating class are included in the class rank.

### Survey of Post-Secondary Education Plan Data

<i>Institution Type</i>	<b>Class of 2013</b>	<b>Class of 2014</b>	<b>Class of 2015</b>
<b>Four-Year College/University</b>	64%	71%	65%
<b>Two-Year College/ University</b>	23%	16%	13%
<b>Total % Attending</b>	87%	87%	78%

### Testing / Assessments Available to Students

ACT	PSAT
Advanced Placement (AP)	Keystone Exams
ASVAB & Career Development Program	SAT I / SAT II / New SAT

### **LTHS Graduation Requirements**

28 credits minimum are required for graduation. LTHS operates a two-semester (86-minute/four courses per semester) hybrid block schedule, providing many academic opportunities for students. Credit accumulation *must* include:

- English (4)
  - Mathematics (4)
  - Social Studies (4)
  - Science (minimum 3)
  - Computer Applications (1)
  - Physical Education (2)
  - Health (.5)
  - Freshman Seminar (.5)
  - L.I.F.E (Law, Investment, Finance, Education) (1.0)
  - Elective offerings (11) or LycoCTC (9)
- A mandatory Graduation Project is also required, occurring in the junior and senior year.

### **Special Programs Available**

- Advanced coursework with Lycoming College and The Pennsylvania College of Technology
- Virtual learning coursework
- Silver Cord Volunteer Program
- Lancer Round Table Student Honor Code Committee
- Career & Technical Programs and Certification with the Lycoming County Career and Technology Center and Williamsport Area High School
- Senior Internship
- Job Shadowing in career fields of student interest
- Resume writing and mock interviewing (senior year)

### **Advanced Placement (AP) & Honors Courses Available**

LTHS promotes and encourages all students, regardless of ability, to welcome rigor within their course load. LTHS does not limit the number of Honors/AP/College courses that a student may take. In the 2014-15 SY, 158 students were enrolled in 13 different AP courses, equating to 27% of the entire school population. Further, LTHS was recognized as having 19 AP scholars in the 2014-15 SY. Honors and AP courses offered include:

AP Literature and Composition  
 AP Language and Composition  
 AP Calculus AB  
 AP World History  
 AP Psychology  
 AP Biology I & II  
 AP Chemistry I & II  
 AP Physics I & II  
 AP U.S. Government & Politics (Virtual)  
 AP Macroeconomics (Virtual)  
 AP Microeconomics (Virtual)  
 AP Studio Art  
 AP Art History  
 Honors English 9, 10, 11  
 Honors Trigonometry  
 Honors Calculus  
 Honors Spanish IV  
 Foundations of Engineering  
 Advanced Ceramics & Glass  
 Advanced Mixed Studio Art  
 Advanced Digital Photography  
 Advanced CADD

Honors Human Anatomy & Physiology  
 Honors Chemistry  
 Honors Physics

#### **LTHS AP Scholar Report**

	2012	2013	2014	2015
Total AP Scholars	19	23	20	19
Average Score	3.7	3.8	3.7	3.6
AP Scholar	12	14	12	11
AP Scholar with Honor	6	4	3	5
AP Scholar with Distinction	1	5	5	2
National AP Scholar	0	0	0	1

### **Extra-Curricular Activities & Clubs**

Lancer Marching Band	National Honor Society	Cheerleading
Art Club	Cross-Age Teaching Program	National Art Honor Society
Knight Music – Vocal	Odyssey of the Mind	Inter-ACT
Jazz Ensemble	Yearbook	Model UN
Drama Club	Prom Committee	Gay-Straight Alliance
All-School Musical	Cultures of the World	Christian Club
Student Government	Ski Club	Spanish Club
Key Club	SADD	Relay for Life
Leo Club	History Club	Student Nutrition Advisory Council
ECO-ACT	Technology Student Association	
Envirothon	Lancer Lunatic Spirit Club	