

# EAST AURORA TOMCATS



## EAST AURORA SCHOOL DISTRICT 131



### OUR DISTRICT AND COMMUNITY

East Aurora School District 131 is Illinois' 13<sup>th</sup> largest school district, with an enrollment of 13,561 students. District 131 encompasses 13 square miles within Kane County on the east side of Aurora, Illinois. Aurora, a multi-ethnic community, consists of approximately 200,000 residents with a considerable number of business and professional residents. District 131 has the distinction of being the first public school district in Illinois, established by the State in 1851.

In addition to the high school, District 131 has 12 elementary schools, three middle schools, a Magnet academy (grades 6 through 8), two early childhood centers, and two affiliated schools.

### EAST AURORA HIGH SCHOOL

East Aurora High School is a public four-year high school located in Aurora, IL, 40 miles west of Chicago. East Aurora High School serves students in grades 9-12. Our school has an approximate enrollment of almost 4,000 students consisting of 87% Hispanic, 8% African American, 2% Caucasian, and 3% Asian/American Indian/Multi Racial ethnic backgrounds. Classes are taught over 250 certified staff members, the vast majority having earned a Master's Degree or higher.

***Reach your full potential!***

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**CURRICULUM**

East Aurora High School operates on a semester system. Each semester consists of approximately 18 weeks. Classes meet five days a week in 56-minute periods. Students are permitted to carry six subjects per semester, including physical education. The average class size is 30 students per teacher.

**COURSE OFFERINGS**

The eight major departments in the school offer approximately 275 semester courses. Honors classes are offered in Mathematics, Science, English, Foreign Language, Social Studies, Physical Education, Business, and Fine Arts. Special Education classes are offered for students with special learning needs.

**HONORS**

East Aurora High School offers several honors courses in each of our core subjects, as well as selected elective and preprofessional areas of study. These demanding courses are distinguished by their rigorous instructional pace and emphasis on curricular depth, breadth, and enrichment.

Additionally, East Aurora High School offers several Advanced Placement courses; these are accelerated courses that require students to work independently and demonstrate high levels of critical and analytical thinking.

2021 AP DATA	
Number of Students	636
Number of Exams	1,146
Percent of Students Earning a 3, 4, or 5	30%
Percent of Test Scores 3, 4, or 5	20%

PRE-AP ENROLLMENT	
Pre-AP English I	1,021
Pre-AP English II	1,023
Pre-AP Algebra I	839
Pre-AP Geometry with Statistics	1,165
Pre-AP Biology	1,029
Pre-AP Chemistry	937
Pre-AP World History & Geography	821
Pre-AP Music	74

**Number of Students who earned Dual Credit: 212**  
**Number of Students who earned Dual Credit in more than 1 course: 95**

DEPARTMENT	HONORS COURSES	AP COURSES
<b>ENGLISH</b>	Pre-AP English I Honors	AP Language & Composition
	Pre-AP English II Honors	AP Literature & Composition
	American Literary Themes Honors	
	Humanities Honors	
	Cinema Studies Honors	
	Creative Speaking Honors	
	British Literature Honors	
<b>MATH</b>	Pre-AP Algebra I Honors	AP Calculus AB
	Pre-AP Geometry with Statistics Honors	AP Statistics
	Algebra II Honors	AP Computer Science A AP Computer Science Principals
<b>SCIENCE</b>	Pre-AP Biology Honors	AP Biology
	Pre-AP Chemistry Honors	AP Chemistry
	Microbiology Honors	AP Physics I
	Human Structure & Function Honors	AP Physics II
		AP Environmental Science
<b>SOCIAL STUDIES</b>	Modern European History Honors	AP Human Geography
	American History Honors	AP European History
	American Government/ Civics Honors	AP United States History
		AP United States Government & Politics
		AP Psychology
<b>READING</b>	Reading I Honors	AP Seminar
	Reading II Honors	AP Research
	Reading III Honors	
<b>PHYSICAL EDUCATION</b>	PE Leaders Honors I	
	PE Leaders Honors II	
<b>CAREER &amp; TECHNICAL EDUCATION</b>	Restaurant Management III Honors	
<b>BUSINESS</b>	Consumer Education Honors	
<b>Fine &amp; Performing Arts</b>	2D Art II Honors	AP 2D Studio Art
	Wind Ensemble Honors	AP 3D Studio Art
	Honors Vocal Performance	AP Art History
	Honors Performance I	AP Music Theory
	Honors Performance II	
<b>World Language</b>	French III Honors	AP French Language & Culture
	German III Honors	AP German Language & Culture
	Spanish III Honors	AP Spanish Language & Culture
	Spanish Speaker III Honors	AP Spanish Literature
	Mandarin Chinese III Honors	AP Chinese Language & Culture

**\*We offer 11 courses with articulated credit & 10 courses with dual credit.**

**GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

SUBJECT	SEMESTERS	REQUIRED CREDITS
English	8 semesters	4
Math	6 semesters	3
Science	4 semesters	2
Social Science	2 semesters	1
Physical Education	6 semesters	3
Health	1 semester	.5
Consumer Education	1 semester	.5
Driver's Education	1 semester	.5
American Government	1 semester	.5
American History	2 semesters	1
Elective	12 semesters	6
<b>Total credits needed to graduate</b>		<b>22</b>

**GRADING SCALE**

GRADE	PERCENTAGE	REGULAR	HONORS/AP
A	100 - 90%	4	5
B	89 - 80%	3	4
C	79 - 70%	2	3
D	69 - 60%	1	2
F	59% - below	0	0

W/D: Withdrawn; P: Passing; I: Incomplete. Credit is granted for all successfully completed subjects. Grades of F, I, or W/D receive no credit. East Aurora High School calculates both a weighted and unweighted GPA on transcripts.

**RANKING SYSTEM**

A student's grade point average is determined by dividing the total grade value (A=4, B=3, C=2, D=1, F=0) by the number of classes taken. Honors weight is applied to any class indicated as honors or Advanced Placement in which the student earns a grade of C or higher. Rank is based on a student's weighted GPA.

**CLASS OF 2021**

Students submitted 2,012 applications to colleges and universities.

\*Source: Naviance; only reflects data from respondents.

**COHORT 2021****1,485**applications to  
colleges & universities**527**applications to  
community colleges**CLASS OF 2021 COLLEGE ACCEPTANCE**

Arizona State University - Tempe  
 Arkansas Tech University  
 Augustana College  
 Auro University  
 Aurora University  
 Ball State University  
 Barry University  
 Belmont University  
 Benedictine College  
 Benedictine University  
 Bradley University  
 Butler University  
 Cardinal Stritch University  
 Carthage College  
 Chicago State University  
 Clark Atlanta University  
 Coe College  
 College of DuPage  
 Colorado Technical University - Colorado Springs  
 Columbia College Chicago  
 Concordia University - Chicago  
 Converse College  
 Cornell University  
 Cuesta College  
 DePaul University  
 Dominican University  
 Dominican University of California  
 Drake University  
 Eastern Illinois University  
 Eastern Michigan University  
 East-West University  
 Elmhurst College  
 Eureka College  
 Ferris State University  
 Florida International University  
 Fordham University  
 Gannon University  
 George Washington University  
 Grace Christian University  
 Grace College and Theological Seminary  
 Hair Professionals Career College  
 Hawaii Pacific University  
 Hofstra University  
 Illinois College  
 Illinois Institute of Technology  
 Illinois State University  
 Illinois Wesleyan University  
 Indiana State University  
 Indiana University - Bloomington  
 Indiana Wesleyan University - Marion  
 Iowa Western Community College  
 Ivy Tech Community College  
 Joliet Junior College  
 Judson University  
 Knox College  
 Lake Land College  
 Lawrence University  
 Lewis University  
 Lincoln College of Technology - Melrose Park  
 Lincoln Technical Institute - Oak Lawn  
 Loyola Marymount University  
 Loyola University Chicago  
 Macalester College  
 Marian University  
 Miami University - Oxford  
 Michigan State University  
 Michigan Technological University

**CLASS OF 2021 COLLEGE ACCEPTANCE**

Midwestern University - Downers Grove  
 Milwaukee School of Engineering  
 Missouri Western State University  
 Monmouth College  
 Mount Saint Mary College  
 Norfolk State University  
 North Central College  
 North Iowa Area Community College  
 Northern Illinois University  
 Northern Michigan University  
 Northwestern University  
 Olivet Nazarene University  
 Oregon State University  
 Pennsylvania State University  
 Purdue University  
 Quincy University  
 Rockford University  
 Roosevelt University  
 Saint Edward's University  
 Saint Louis University  
 Saint Xavier University  
 Southern Illinois University - Carbondale  
 Southern Illinois University - Edwardsville  
 Southern New Hampshire University  
 St. Olaf College  
 Stanford University  
 The University of Arizona  
 The University of Tampa  
 Trinity Christian College  
 Trinity International University - Illinois  
 Universal Technical Institute of Illinois Inc.  
 University of California - Berkeley  
 University of California - Irvine  
 University of California - Santa Barbara  
 University of Colorado - Colorado Springs  
 University of Illinois at Chicago  
 University of Illinois at Springfield  
 University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign  
 University of Iowa  
 University of Kansas  
 University of Kentucky  
 University of Louisville  
 University of Massachusetts - Boston  
 University of Memphis  
 University of Minnesota - Twin Cities  
 University of Mississippi  
 University of Nebraska - Lincoln  
 University of Nevada - Las Vegas  
 University of New Haven  
 University of North Texas  
 University of Notre Dame  
 University of Pittsburgh  
 University of Rhode Island  
 University of Southern Indiana  
 University of St. Francis  
 University of Toledo  
 University of Wisconsin - Platteville  
 Upper Iowa University  
 Wartburg College  
 Washington University in St. Louis  
 Waubesa Community College  
 West Virginia University  
 Western Illinois University  
 Western Michigan University  
 Westminster College  
 Wheaton College  
 Wichita State University

SPRING 2021 SAT DATA	Total Tests	Total Score (MEAN)	Evidence-Based Writing (MEAN)	Math (MEAN)
	685	894	455	439

COHORT 2021	Graduates	828
	Scholarship Total	\$16,665,669
	State Scholars	30
	College Acceptance	621
	Military/Vocational	35
	College Board National Hispanic Scholar	1

**SEAL OF BILITERACY AND COMMENDATION**

The **Illinois State Seal of Biliteracy** is an award bestowed by the Illinois State Board of Education and given by District 131 in recognition of students who have attained a high level of proficiency in one or more languages in addition to English by high school graduation.

The **Commendation toward Biliteracy** is a recognition given to graduating high school students who have demonstrated significant progress toward achieving a high level of proficiency in English and in reading, writing, listening and speaking in another language.



A record number of 89 seniors from East Aurora High School's Class of 2021 graduated with an Illinois Seal of Biliteracy. An additional 40 graduating seniors earned a Commendation toward Biliteracy.

In addition to the 129 Seal of Biliteracy and Commendation toward Biliteracy awards earned by the Class of 2021, 40 awards were earned by juniors, sophomores and freshmen at East High.

Cohort	Commendation Toward Biliteracy	Seal of Biliteracy	Total
2021	40	89	125
2022	4	14	18
2023	6	11	17
2024	1	4	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>169</b>

**COCURRICULAR SERVICES**

East Aurora High School recognizes the importance of providing access to and support for a wealth of clubs and organizations to assist in developing a students' social, emotional, and intellectual ability outside of the classroom. EAHS offers **over 50 student clubs and organizations** throughout the academic year. Additionally, students are encouraged to participate in various community, state, and national organizations that provide unique experiences, internships, and guidance.