

Golden High School

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Community

Golden, Colorado (population 19,400) is the gateway to the Rockies with opportunities to hike, mountain bike, ski and snowboard. Golden lies along Clear Creek at the edge of the foothills of the Front Range of the Rocky Mountains. Golden is home to the Colorado School of Mines, National Renewable Energy Laboratory, National Earthquake Information Center, the American Mountaineering Center, and MillerCoors Brewery. In 2013 the median household income was \$57,226, and the per capita income was \$36,000.

School

Golden High School has a population that is 80% White, 13% Hispanic/Latino, 2% Asian, 2% two or more races, 1% American Indian or Alaska Native, and 1% Black. The percentage of our students on free and reduced lunch is 22%.

Golden High School is the oldest high school in Colorado, established in 1873. We are a public high school, grades 9-12, with a student enrollment of approximately 1250 for the 2015-2016 school year. Golden High School moved into a new, state of the art building in August of 2008. Golden is accredited by the Colorado State Department of Education. We are rated as a Performance School.

Curriculum

The school calendar is based on two 18 week semesters with 6 week Progress Reports. Seven classes per semester is the maximum course load, with most students taking six classes per semester. Golden High School offers a comprehensive curriculum, including college prep classes, engineering, culinary, woodworking, metalworking, and a variety of classes in fine and performance arts.

AP Courses are available in Chemistry, Biology, Physics, Environmental Science, English Language, English Literature, Human Geography, American Government, European History, U.S. History, Psychology, Micro Economics, Studio Art, Music Theory, Statistics, and Calculus AB and BC.

Honors courses are available in English, Geometry, Algebra 2, Pre-Calculus, Earth Science, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Choir, and Spanish.

Students may earn transferable college credit by taking College Algebra, Astronomy, and Spanish 4 while attending Golden High School.

Special Programs

GHS offers a unique Senior Seminar program to seniors 2nd semester. Students are selected through a competitive application process to spend the semester in an experiential learning environment.

Each Spring GHS offers juniors the chance to participate in Junior Rafting Trips

GHS is the coordinating school for an annual Summer Field Biology trip to Hawaii

Spanish students have the opportunity to study in Spain each summer at the University of Salamanca.

Grading and Ranking

Unweighted GPA: A = 4.0; B=3.0; C=2.0; D=1.0; F=0

Weighted GPA: A=5.0; B=4.0; C=3.0; D=1.0; F=0

All courses that receive a letter grade are calculated into the grade point average. 23 credits are required for graduation. Weighted grades are given for Advanced Placement, honors, and concurrent enrollment courses.

Rank: Class Rank is based on a weighted GPA.

Class of 2015

Out of a class of 311:

- 62% will attend four-year colleges/universities
- 12% will attend two year colleges or technical schools
- 3% have joined the Armed Forces
- One student was recognized as a National Merit Scholar
- One student was awarded the Daniels Foundation Scholarship

Standardized Test Results

ACT

Year	#Tests	English	Math	Reading	Science	Composite
2015	329	21.6	21.4	22.1	22.2	21.9

SAT

Year	#Tests	Critical Reading	Math	Writing
2015	46	569	610	548

Advanced Placement

2015 897 AP spots were filled in the 2014-15 school year. 342 students took 550 exams with 58% scoring 3 or higher

Colleges Attended By Golden High School Graduates over the Past Four Years

Arizona State University	Kansas State University	Rockhurst University
University of Arizona	University of Kansas	San Diego State University
Auburn University	Lewis and Clark College	Saint Mary's College of California
University of Alabama	Liberty University	Savannah College of Art and Design
Art Institute of Colorado	Linfield College	Scripps College
Ball State University	Luther College	Seattle University
Boston College	University of Maine	South Dakota School of Mines and Tech
Boston University	Marquette University	St. Olaf College
Binghamton University	Marymount Manhattan University	Stanford University
Brigham Young University	McGill University	State University of N.Y./Albany
University of California Berkeley	Mercyhurst College	Stony Brook University
University of California Los Angeles	Mesa State College	Texas A & M
California Lutheran University	Metropolitan State College Denver	Texas Christian University
California Polytechnic State University	Michigan State University	Truman State University
California State University	Minnesota State University	United States Air Force Academy
Case Western Reserve University	University of Miami	United States Naval Academy
Chicago State University	University of Michigan	University of Rochester
Colorado College	University of Minnesota	University of San Diego
Colorado School of Mines	University of Montana	University of San Francisco
University of Chicago	Missouri Univ. of Science and Technology	University of South Carolina
University of Colorado	Montana State University	University of South Dakota
Colorado State University	Naropa University	University of Southern California
Columbia College	New Mexico State University	University of Tennessee
Cornell University	New York University	University of Texas
Dartmouth College	University of Northern Colorado	University of Utah
University of Denver	Northeastern Junior College	University of Vermont
Drake University	Northeastern University	University of Virginia
Drexel University	Northern Arizona University	University of Washington
Evergreen State College	Univ. North Carolina/Chapel Hill	University of Wisconsin
Eckerd College	University of Notre Dame	University of Wyoming
Emerson College	Univ. of Illinois/Urbana-Champaign	Utica College
Fairfield University	Univ. of Nebraska	Villanova University
Fort Lewis College	Occidental College	Wake Forest University
Franklin Pierce University	Oregon State University	Washington State University
George Mason University	Oxford University	Whittier College
Georgia Institute of Technology	University of Oregon	Willamette University
Gettysburg College	University of Pennsylvania	Xavier University
Hampshire College	University of Pittsburgh	
Harvard University	University of Portland	
Hawaii Pacific University	University of Puget Sound	
University of Hartford	Purdue University	
University of Hawaii	Queen's University	
University of Iowa	Reed College	
Indiana University	Regis University	
Iowa State University	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	
Johns Hopkins University	Rocky Mt. College of Art & Design	