

Graduation Rates\*

The graduation rate is defined as the percentage of students who graduate from secondary school with a regular diploma in the standard number of years.

**Graduation Rates 2020-2021**  
Douglas County High School 83.8%  
Douglas County 87.7%  
Georgia 83.7%

Dual Enrollment

Through Dual Enrollment, students in grades 9-12 who qualify to participate may enroll on a part-time or full-time basis to take college courses. Students receive high school and college credit simultaneously when attending and passing approved college classes.

# of DCHS Students	
Georgia State University	1
Georgia Highlands College	1
Kennesaw State University	3
University of West Georgia	15
West GA Technical College	17
Total	37

To access state-mandated test scores including the GA Milestones Assessment System (GMAS), please scan the QR code.



Information contained in this document reflects the most recent data available as of October 2021.

DCHS Highlights

- #74 Ranking on List of Best High Schools in Georgia, U.S. News & World Report
- Devon Boatright, STAR Student for State of Georgia
- Scholar Bowl County Champions (11 years in a row)
- Two National Merit Scholars
- Mock Trial Team, Top 16 in State
- Division 1 and 2 Football Scholarships for 10 Students
- Douglas County Sentinel Player of the Year and Max Thompson Award Winner
- 2nd Round of State Football Playoffs
- Boys Basketball Sweet 16 State Participant
- State Playoffs in Volleyball, Softball, Girls Tennis
- Girls Basketball Final 4
- Douglas County Sentinel Girls Basketball Player of the Year and Region Player of the Year
- First Place in Band Competitions for Drum Major, Overall, Drumline
- 2nd Place in One Act Play for Region
- Division I and Division II Athletic Scholarships for 16 Students
- Three Questbridge Scholars
- Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Semifinalist
- State Finalist in FFA Competition, 2017-2018

**DCHS Class of 2021 earned over \$41 million in scholarships.**  
Approximately 215 students qualified for HOPE and Zell Miller Scholarships.



DCHS facts 2021-2022 School Year

Douglas County High School

8705 Campbellton Street  
Douglasville, GA 30134  
770-651-6500  
School website: dchs.dcssga.org

Principal Kenja Parks

Student Enrollment 1,819  
Total Staff 168  
Certified Staff 117  
Certified Staff with Advanced Degrees 69%

Numbers for enrollment and staffing are from October 2021.

Mission

Our mission is to provide a rigorous academic and character building education for all students in a safe and supportive environment.

Vision

Our vision is to build a community of lifelong learners who become responsible, productive citizens who excel in the global marketplace.



Greetings Tiger Nation

We are thrilled that you are joining us on this exciting journey of teaching and learning at Douglas County High School, home of the only International Baccalaureate Program in the district!

With a renewed commitment to academic excellence and providing our students with a world class education, we will continue to nurture their natural curiosity for discovery, sharpen their critical and analytical skills, and support their growth as they prepare for life beyond high school. We have a team of dynamic teachers and staff that implement initiatives that foster student efficacy, engage in professional learning, and have a demonstrated commitment to excellence. Stakeholder engagement is paramount to the overall success of our school community, and I look forward to establishing relationships that will allow our students to flourish.



I invite you to become active members of the PTSA and the Tiger Family. We are poised for this to be another amazing school year.

— MRS. KENJA PARKS, PRINCIPAL

Community

Douglas County High School opened its doors in 1937 as the county's first high school. Located on Campbellton Road in the Douglas County Historic District, the school is less than a mile from downtown Douglasville. It is the largest high school in Douglas County in terms of enrollment and competes in Region 5AAAAAA for athletics and activities.

Curriculum

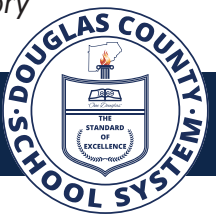
Douglas County operates on a 4 x 4 schedule, with students completing four classes each semester. Classes are 90 minutes, and students take final exams at the end of each semester. The school offers a wide variety of classes, including advanced academics, fine arts, and Career, Technical and Agricultural Education (CTAE).

Advanced Placement Courses

- Biology
- Calculus
- Chemistry
- Computer Science Principles
- Environmental Science
- Human Geography
- Language
- Literature
- Macroeconomics
- Physics
- Psychology
- Spanish
- Statistics
- Studio Art
- U.S. History
- World History

Together, we shape the future.

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# IB - International Baccalaureate Program



## Career Pathways

Business and Technology  
Computer Science  
Cyber Security  
Early Childhood  
Health Occupations  
Information Support & Services  
Intro to Personal Care Services  
(Cosmetology)  
JROTC  
Marketing  
Nutrition and Food Science  
Web and Digital Design

## World Languages

French  
Spanish

## Athletics, GHSA Competitions

Band  
Baseball  
Basketball  
Cheerleading  
Competition Cheerleading  
Cross Country  
Debate  
Flag Football  
Football  
Golf  
One Act  
Rifle Team  
Soccer  
Softball  
Swimming  
Tennis  
Tigerettes  
Track  
Volleyball  
Wrestling

Douglas County High School began offering the International Baccalaureate (IB) program during the 2006-2007 school year. IB offers the most rigorous academic course of study available to high school students in the world. It is designed to develop outstanding communication, problem solving, and social skills, while encouraging active extracurricular involvement and service.

Students in the IB program must take 22 IB classes during their four years in high school. Douglas County High School is one of 34 diploma programs in the state of Georgia.

## Magnet Courses

In addition to the following IB courses which are taken in grades 11 and 12, students take Pre-IB courses in grades 9 and 10. IB students may choose to take Advanced Placement (AP) courses as electives.

IB English Years 1 & 2	IB French Years 1 & 2
IB Biology Years 1 & 2	IB Spanish Years 1 & 2
IB History of the Americas	IB Chemistry Years 1 & 2
IB Economics Years 1 & 2	IB Math Applications SL Years 1 & 2
IB Theory of Knowledge Years 1 & 2	IB Math Analysis SL Years 1 & 2
IB Geography Years 1 & 2	IB Design Technology SL Years 1 & 2

## Magnet Program Admission Process

Students districted for Douglas County High School as well as students throughout the county may apply for the IB Program during fall of their 8th grade year. Students must begin the program in 9th grade.

Students are selected based on the following criteria: classroom grades, standardized test scores, entrance essay, teacher recommendations, and an interview.

The International Baccalaureate Program supports the inclusion of students with special needs for successful participation in the IB Program.

## Magnet Program Application Timeline

Informational Meeting: October 28, 2021, 6:30 p.m.

To apply: <https://tinyurl.com/IBmagnetDCHS>

Applications Due: December 13, 2021

Student Notifications Mailed: February 2, 2022

Commitment Letters Due: February 11, 2022

## Magnet Program Contacts

Dr. Grant Fossum, IB Coordinator

770-651-6626

Suzanne Helms, Academic Advisor

770-651-6668

## Magnet Program Achievement Data

- 99.9% of IB students receive some college credit from their IB classes.
- In 2020, 87% of IB students scored high enough on IB assessments to earn the prestigious and internationally recognized IB Diploma.
- \$7,613,729 in scholarships were awarded to the IB Class of 2021, with only 40% of IB seniors reporting.
- For the last 10 years, the District STAR Student has been a DCHS IB student.
- Two students were awarded scholarships to study abroad by NSLI, a U.S. State Department program that promotes critical language learning among high school students.
- Recent IB graduates were accepted to numerous colleges, including:

Georgia Tech	Harvard	Boston University
Emory University	Yale	Georgetown
University of Georgia	Vanderbilt	New York University
University of Pennsylvania	Stanford	University of Chicago
University of Virginia	University of Southern California	Purdue
Brown		Duke

## Magnet Program Recognition

2021 AP Access and Support Honor School, Georgia Department of Education



## Student Organizations

### Academic

Beta Club  
DCEptions Robotics Club  
DOCOHAN Yearbook  
Math Team  
Mock Trial  
Model UN  
Scholar Bowl  
TOME Society

### Honor Societies

English National Honor Society  
French National Honor Society  
Mu Alpha Theta (Math)  
National Art Honor Society  
National Honor Society  
Science National Honor Society  
Spanish National Honor Society

### Other

African Student Association  
American Sign Language Club  
Animation Club  
Anime Club  
Art Club  
Becca's Closet  
Chess Club  
Chick-fil-A Leader Academy  
DCHS Coder  
DCHS Cyber  
DCHS Sign Language Club  
DECA  
FBLA  
FCA  
FCCLA  
Film Appreciation Club  
FLO (For Ladies Only)  
Futures Club  
HoPe  
HOSA  
K-Pop Club  
Key Club  
Photography Club  
Poetry Out Loud  
Student Government Association  
Tiger Chef's Club  
Tiger Focus  
Thespian Society  
Ultimate Frisbee Club  
Yoga Club

