

School Profile 2011-2012



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The School and the Community

Fairfield Community High School (FCHS) is located in Fairfield, Illinois, a rural community in Wayne County of Southern Illinois. The district encompasses an area of 243 square miles. Four separate elementary districts send their eighth grade graduates to FCHS, which is a comprehensive four-year high school enrolling 424 students in grades nine through twelve. The mission of FCHS is to assist each student in developing and expanding his or her intellectual abilities.

The Curriculum

The academic program is organized on an 8 period day schedule. Students are required to be enrolled in 6 classes throughout the day.

A minimum of 20 credits is required for graduation for the Class of 2012. $\frac{1}{2}$ credit =1 semester; 1 credit=1 year. Graduation requirements include **four** years of English, including two years of intensive writing; **two** years of social studies (American History, Government and Geography); **two** years of science including one year of Biology beginning with the class of 2014; **three** years of math including one year of Algebra I and one year of geometry beginning; **one** semester of Resource Management; and **four** years of Physical Education (Driver's Education and Health will meet the requirement for two semesters of Physical Education). At least **one** elective per year must be chosen from Fine Arts, Foreign Languages or Vocational Education classes.

Advanced Placement (AP) courses are offered in English Literature, Calculus AB, History & Biology. Honors courses are offered in English and Mathematics. All AP courses and Honors courses are weighted courses.

Grading and Ranking

FCHS assigns letter grades using a 4.0 system. Each letter grade should be assigned the following points:
A=4.0; B=3.0; C=2.0; D=1.0; F=0.0

Letter grades are assigned as follows:

A= 94%-100%; B=86%-93%; C=76%-85%; D=68%-75%; F=67% and less

Class Rank is based on GPA (grade point average) and is determined by semester final grades which carry credit. All grades earned while the student is at FCHS are included in the ranking. A cumulative unweighted GPA and a cumulative weighted GPA are reported on each student's transcript. A student's weighted grade point average is the basis of class rank.

Faculty

Of the 32 certified faculty members, over 60% have earned masters, specialist or doctoral degrees.

Extra-curricular

Besides the formal curriculum, FCHS students are engaged many co-curricular activities at our school. FCHS offers a wide array of opportunities including athletics, music, yearbook, student government, school plays & musicals, and clubs ranging from foreign language to sportsmen to math.

Dual Credit Courses FCHS offers with Frontier Community College

ACC 1101	Applied Accounting	SPE 1101	Fund of Effective Speaking
GEG 1102	World Geography	PLS 2101	Government of the U.S.
PSY 1101	General Psychology I	PSY 1102	General Psychology II
LSC 1102	General Biology II	MTH 1102	College Algebra
MTH 1105	Trigonometry	MTH 1171	Calculus & Analytic Geometry
ENG 1111	Composition I	ENG 1121	Composition & Analysis
MUS 1101	Music Appreciation		

Class of 2011

There were 99 graduates in the FCHS Class of 2011.

Post-High School Placement

- 11 % matriculated to 4-year colleges and/or universities
- 46 % matriculated to 2-year institutions
- 43 % selected work, military service or technical instruction

Test Scores

The graduating class of 2011 scored an average of 18.1 on the ACT Assessment which was part of the PSAE testing given to all Illinois juniors.

PRAIRIE STATE ACHIEVEMENT EXAMINATION					
Percents of students Meeting or Exceeding Illinois State Learning Standards 2009-2010					
Reading		Mathematics		Science	
School	47.3	School	44.5	School	44.5
District	47.3	District	44.5	District	44.5
State	51.1	State	51.3	State	49.2

Number of students with PSAE scores in 2011: 110

College Attendance History

The following college list indicates those institutions attended by FCHS graduates over the last four years.

Blackburn College
 Frontier Community College
 Murray State University
 Wabash Valley College
 Rend Lake College
 Olney Central College
 Southeastern Illinois College
 University of Illinois @ Champaign
 Eastern Illinois University

Illinois Institute of Technology
 Southern Illinois University @ Carbondale
 University of Southern Indiana
 Southern Illinois University @ Edwardsville
 University of Evansville
 Lee University
 McKendree University
 Greenville College
 Lakeland College

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