

Central High School

2019-2020 Profile



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Community

Central High School is located in Grand Junction, Colorado. Grand Junction serves as the hub of business and recreational activities on the western slope of the Colorado Rockies, about 250 miles west across the mountains from Denver. Grand Junction is the largest city between Denver and Salt Lake on the I-70 corridor, making it the regional business and commerce hub. It is the county seat with an area population over 130,000. Situated 4600 feet above sea level at the junction of the Gunnison and Colorado Rivers, it is a fruit-producing oasis surrounded by Grand Mesa (the world's largest flat top mountain), the Bookcliffs, the Colorado National Monument, and the Uncompahgre range.

Schedule

Central is operating on an alternating block schedule beginning with the 2013-2014 school year. Prior to the 2013/2014 year, Central was on a "flex-eight" schedule. Our flex schedule consisted of four 90-minute blocks per day, as well as four 45-minute split-block classes. Students may have had a combination of block and split-block classes in a term. The school year is now divided into two eighteen-week semesters. Four credits per eighteen-week semester comprise a full course load. Students can earn up to four credits per term, or eight credits per school year.

Graduation Requirements

Students must meet the following criteria in order to earn a diploma :

- Earn 25 credits in standards-based approved courses
- Earn a 2.0 or better cumulative G.P.A.
- Demonstrate a score of "Proficient" or "Advanced" on the Colorado state testing assessment or demonstrate proficiency on other approved measures

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Teresa Sheffeld
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Graduating Class	Class Size
Class of 2020	404
Class of 2021	424
Class of 2022	494
Class of 2023	587

Grading Scale	Percentage	Weight	*AP
A – Excellent	100 – 90	4.0	5.0
B – Above	89 – 80	3.0	4.0
C – Average	79 – 70	2.0	3.0
D – Below Average	69 – 60	2.0	2.0
F – Failure	59 or below	0.0	0.0

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Curriculum

Central offers AP courses in American Government, Biology, Calculus AB & BC, Chemistry, Comparative Government & Politics, Computer Science, English Language, English Literature, Environmental Science, Human Geography, Physics, Psychology, Spanish, Statistics and US History. **Our AP classes are open to all students.**

Honors sections are available in Biology, Composition/Literature (9 & 10), Environmental Science, Math I and Math II.

German and Spanish our the World Language options.

STEM-Central is proud to be our District's STEM school. We offer an array of STEM courses in various engineering disciplines and prepare students with the 21st century skills needed to compete in both STEM and non-STEM based fields.

Vocational & College Programs are an integral part of our school's community. The Career Center and Western Colorado Community College enable our students to enroll in vocationally oriented courses for high school credit. We also partner with Western Colorado Community College and Colorado Mesa University for dual-enrollment programs, allowing our students to earn college credit while still in high school.

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Students are required to earn 25 credits in the following academic areas:

Language Arts	4 Credits
Social Studies	3 Credits
Mathematics	3 Credits
Science	3 Credits
Physical Education	1 Credit
Computer Literacy	1/2 Credit
Fine Arts	1/2 Credit
Electives	10 Credits

42.6% of Central students matriculate to a four-year college or university

1.4% attend two-year colleges

44% choose military enlistment, entering the workforce or technical instruction

The average April Statewide SAT Composite score of our senior class of 2019 is 936.4

American Indian/ Alaskan Native	.8%
Asian	.4%
Black/African American	.8%
Hispanic	33.5%
White	59.9%
Multiple	4.2%
Free/Reduced Lunch	51.4%