

School Profile

CAÑON CITY HIGH SCHOOL

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ACCREDITATION: North Central Association of College and Secondary Schools

Colorado State Department of Education

SAT/ACT SCHOOL CODE: 060 200

CREDITS: Cañon City High School utilizes a standard block bell schedule. The day is divided into five 77-minute blocks.

Credit for classes is granted as follows:

- Quarter classes (9 weeks) - .50 credit
- Semester Classes (18 weeks) – 1 credit
- Year-long classes (36 weeks) – 2 credits
- Year-long classes for 2 blocks – 4 credits

CCHS students must earn **32 total credits** and meet the following subject credits to meet graduation requirements:

- English – 5 credits
- Math – 4 credits
- Social Studies – 3 credits
- Science – 2 credits
- Health/Physical Education – 1.5 credits
- Career & Technical Education – 2.5 credits
- Internship – 1 credit
- Humanities – 2 credits
- Computer Applications – .5 credit
- Electives – 10.5 credits

GRADING SYSTEM: Grading Scale:

A = Excellent

B = Above Average C = Average

D = Below average F = Failing

P = Passing

W = Withdraw (within add/drop window A = 90-100

WF = Withdraw Fail B = 80-89

(after add/drop window) NC = C = 70-79

No Credit

I = Incomplete

D = 60-69

F = 59 and below

GRADE POINT AVERAGE, CLASS RANK AND GRADUATION WITH HONORS:

- Grade point average is based on the following scale: A = 4; B = 3; C = 2; D = 1; F = 0. Honors and AP classes: A = 5; B = 4; C = 3; D = 2; F = 0. Grades for internships & assistantships are Pass/Fail (P/F). A student may be issued P/F grade in an academic course if that has been so designated on his/her Individual Educational Plan. Pass grades are not calculated into the GPA.
- CCHS DOES NOT have a class ranking system. CCHS can provide student rank to higher education institutions and scholarship committees and are offered in a percentage group (top 5%, top 10%, etc.)
- At Cañon City High School, we believe it is important to recognize and honor excellence and integrity. Therefore, students may apply for graduation with honors. Criteria for achieving distinction are determined by course work, grade point average, test scores, and academic integrity. Students may apply to be considered for honors in overall academics and/or content areas.

GRADUATING WITH HONORS REQUIREMENTS: CLASS OF 2022 - 2023

All candidates for honors distinction must meet these requirements:

| Requirement | Honors | Honors with Distinction | Honors for Excellence in CTE | Honors for Excellence in the Fine Arts |
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| Number of total credits completed | 36 | 38 | 36 | 36 |
| Weighted GPA | 3.5 | 3.75 | Cumulative GPA of >3.4 and GPA >3.75 in area of concentration | Cumulative GPA of >3.4 and GPA >3.75 in area of concentration |
| Behavior | Must not have been suspended under a Level 3 or 4 discipline violation (see the <i>CCHS Student Handbook</i>), expelled from school, or violated the school's academic integrity standards | | | |

GRADUATING WITH HONORS REQUIREMENTS

CLASS OF 2024 AND BEYOND

All candidates for honors distinction must meet these requirements:

| Requirement | Honors | Honors with Distinction | Honors for Excellence in CTE | Honors for Excellence in the Fine Arts |
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| Number of total credits completed | 36 | 38 | 36 | 36 |
| Weighted GPA | 3.75 | 4.0 | Cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher and GPA >3.75 in area of concentration | Cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher and GPA >3.75 in area of concentration |
| AP/Honors credits completed or specific program requirements | 7 | 10 | Meet specific program requirements | Meet specific program requirements |
| Behavior | Must not have been suspended under a Level 3 or 4 discipline violation (see the <i>CCHS Student Handbook</i>), expelled from school, or violated the school's academic integrity standards | | | |

AP/HONORS COURSES:

The following courses are offered at the AP/Honors level:

AP Art History, AP Studio Art, H Journalism/Yearbook, H Digital Graphic Design II, H Accounting II, H Computer Applications III & IV, H Competitive Speech, H English 9 & 10, H American Literature & Argument, H Early European Literature & Composition, H Spanish III & IV, H College Algebra, H Trigonometry, H Precalculus, AP Calculus, AP Computer Science Principles, AP Computer Science A, AP Statistics, H Integrated Science, AP Biology, AP Environmental Science, H Chemistry, AP Chemistry, H Physics, AP Physics, H Physiology, H World History, H US History, H Colorado History, AP Psychology, H Teacher Cadet, H ADDA III, H Advanced ADDA, H Spanish III & IV.

CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT (CE):

Cañon City High School has partnered with Pueblo Community College for all concurrent enrollment curriculum. We strictly follow their course guidelines and teacher accreditation process. When possible, all honors courses are combined with a concurrent enrollment curriculum. Eighty percent of seniors will graduate with at least one CE credit.

CAREER PATHWAYS:

Beginning with the Class of 2021, during their freshman year, students embark on their own personal quest in selecting a Pathway to help them prepare for their potential college or career choice. Upon declaration of a Pathway, Cañon City High School students are then scheduled into a supporting curriculum (ie. classes aligned to support the career path of their choice) throughout the remainder of high school. The class of 2020 students benefited from this program in that they were able to pilot dozens of new courses supporting its implementation.

PROFESSIONAL AND INTERNSHIP COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE (PaICE):

One-hundred percent of Cañon City High School students will participate in internships or work for pay and earn credit. This cooperative work-based learning program gives students a chance to gain first-hand experience in a career interest area and gain confidence in their abilities, gain skills and experience, and learn how to balance school and work.

CAPSTONE:

Starting with the Class of 2021, students are required to complete a Capstone Project as a graduation requirement. The Capstone project is a multifaceted graduation requirement that challenges them to think critically, solve challenging problems, and develop life skills. Projects are interdisciplinary, requiring students to apply skills across many different subject areas. These projects encourage students to connect to the community and to integrate learning experiences.

CAÑON CITY HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- 1. In the 2018-19 school year (most recent year reported), CCHS led the state in per capita concurrent enrollment accomplishment.**
- 2. CCHS won the 2019 Colorado Succeeds Award.**
- 3. The Colorado Education Initiative selected CCHS as a model school for its innovative approach to Pathways and Capstone.**