



Believe. Achieve. Succeed.

Haverhill

Public Schools

The Foundation of Haverhill



Believe.

What Makes Haverhill Public Schools Special?

- **Motivated Students**
- **Close-knit Community**
- **High Expectations**
- **Dedicated Teachers**
- **Professional Partnerships**
- **Safe Environment**
- **Positive Climate**

Close and supportive relationships are the cornerstone of productive days in the Haverhill Public Schools. Here students develop lifelong friendships with classmates and teachers while learning responsibility for themselves and others in the community.



17

Number of schools in district

20

Number of Community Partnerships

8,243

Total number of students

10

Number of athletes each year inducted in the Hall of Fame

Haverhill by the Numbers

1,625

Total number of HPS employees

Grades served

PK-12

And Adult Education

74

Percentage of students who go on to college

Number of extracurricular clubs

44

Student-teacher ratio

14.5 to 1

55

Number of sports teams

“Returning to Haverhill as a school superintendent, I again discovered there is a general concern for every student’s emotional well-being and feelings of self worth. If you visit our schools, it is easy to detect that genuine spirit so many share.”

James F. Scully
Superintendent of Schools

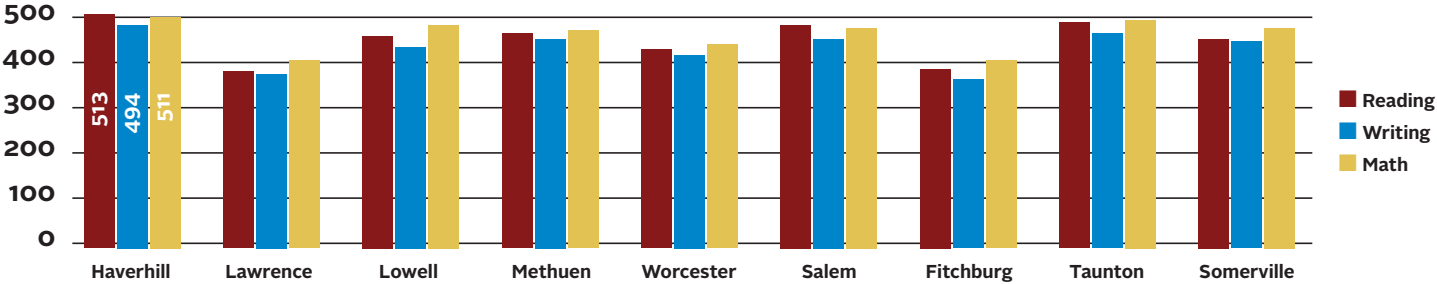




High Test Scores

Haverhill Public Schools ensure that every student acquires the learning skills and self discipline to progress through twelve years of schooling and on to higher education or job training. Over the past five years, our students have improved significantly on state standardized tests.

Haverhill High School Students Regularly Outperform Their Peers on SATs



Connection to Community

In addition to the myriad opportunities that build close-knit schools, Haverhill maintains strong partnerships with people, organizations, and businesses across the greater Boston area. An internship is a great way to learn more about a career by experiencing it first-hand and spending time with professionals in the field.

Internships:

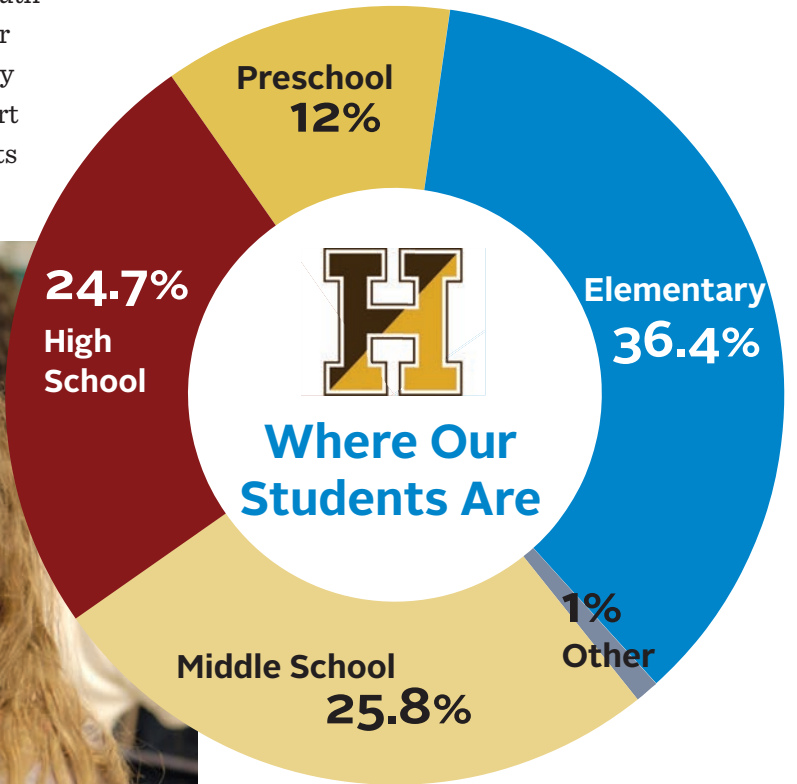
We've had students . . .

- In the operating room at Lawrence General Hospital
- Working at the State House and at top local companies
- Assisting teachers at Bradford Elementary, Golden Hill, Consentino and Haverhill High School
- Recording commercials and sports broadcasts for our local radio stations



State-of-the-art Facilities

Our newest school—the \$61 million Hunking School on South Main Street—is the result of Haverhill voters showing their support for high-quality local education by overwhelmingly approving the city’s cost of the project. This state-of-the-art facility will eventually accommodate around 1,000 students in grades K to 8.



Achieve.

The Heart of Learning at Haverhill Relies on:

- Solid Academic Curriculum
- Competitive Athletics
- Extensive Intramurals
- Diverse Extracurriculars
- Advanced Technology
- Global Outlook

We set ambitious goals, devise workable plans, and collaborate among students, faculty and administrators to ensure continual progress. We pride ourselves on being both aspirational and practical.





Solid Academics

In addition to a solid, traditional academic curriculum, we are proud to offer several specialized learning environments tailored to student interests and career ambitions. For example, the innovative middle school world language program ensures proficiency in a second language, and in the high school six challenging academies prepare students for college and careers.



Core Curriculum:

Daily instruction for elementary school students includes rigorous English language arts, mathematics, social studies, science, and fine and performing arts.

■ 120 minutes of English Language Arts

■ 40 minutes of Fine and Performing Arts



■ 90 minutes of Mathematics



Extensive AP Courses, Participation & Performance On The Rise

The Haverhill High School program of studies boasts 17 different AP courses each year. Almost 20 percent of all students are enrolled in one or more AP courses—a number that increased steadily over the past five years. Of these students, over 60% received a passing score on one or more AP exam.

This means that many of the students who take AP courses at Haverhill High will be eligible to receive college credit as a result of participation in the AP program. Students taking AP courses show colleges that they are serious about their educational opportunities and that they are willing to challenge themselves with rigorous college-level work.

AP course offered in the High School

HUMANITIES

- Eng. Lang. & Comp.
- Eng. lit. & Comp.
- European History
- U.S. History
- U.S. Govt. & Politics

SCIENCE

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Environmental Science

MATHEMATICS

- Calculus AB
- Calculus BC
- Statistics
- Computer Science

BUSINESS AND LANGUAGE

- Art History
- Economics
- Spanish Language
- Latin

Great Teachers

We believe Haverhill Public Schools have the best and most caring teachers around, and our formal survey and informal discussions with students and parents back that up.

Positive Role Models

Here's what our students are saying:

“After I talk to my teacher, I know how to make my work better.”

“My teacher encourages us all to think of more than one way to solve a problem.”

“My teacher shows us how to respect different opinions in class.”



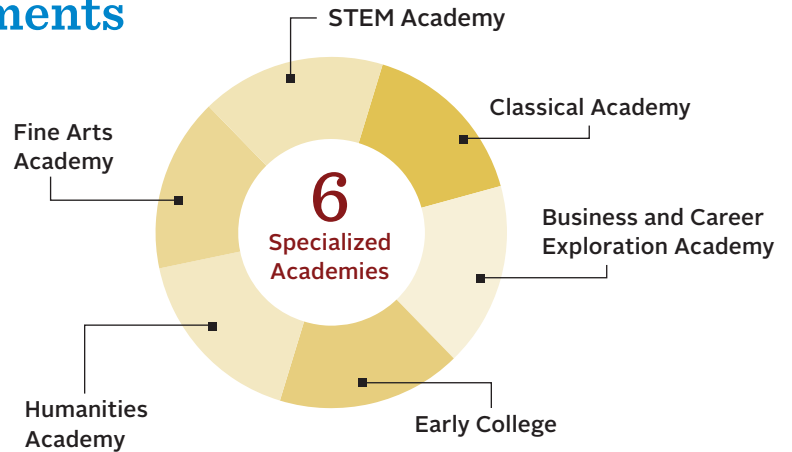


Extracurriculars

Our robust offerings of extracurricular activities round out the students' experience in the Haverhill Schools. Clubs focusing on technology, music, art, community service, and student government are just a few of the dozens of ways students get involved, forge friendships, and make a difference.

Specialized Learning Environments

Our students have the opportunity to develop areas of interest that will prepare them for college and life. In high school students may choose from six highly successful specialized academies. These 'schools within-a-school' offer in-depth study and real-life experience in: STEM, Classics, Business and Career Exploration, Humanities, and Fine Arts. The academics help participating students focus on their interest and talents while building knowledge and practical skills.



Middle School World Language Program

In the Middle School World Language Program, 8th graders choose from German, Italian, Latin or Spanish and take a full-year course that can earn them high-school credit.





Athletics

Haverhill's athletic programs continue to grow: between 2010 and 2015, the number of students who chose to participate rose from 868 to 1,245. In the past five years, Hillies have won 19 Merrimack Valley Conference regular season titles. The high school now offers 24 different sports for boys and girls, most with varsity, junior varsity and freshmen teams.

Haverhill High currently offers 24 sports programs and fields over 50 different teams each year. Participation has grown steadily and exceeded 1,000 students last school year.

High School Interscholastic Teams

FALL

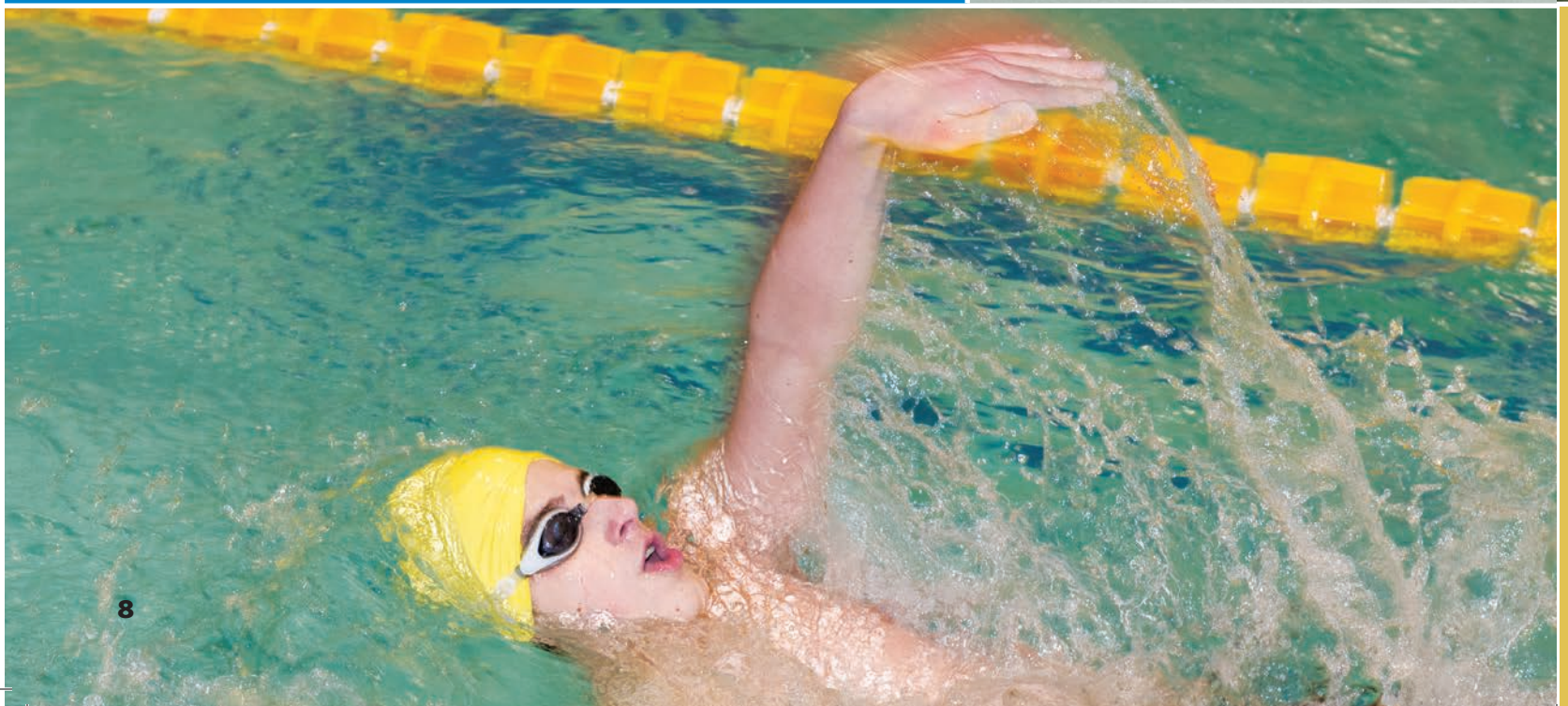
- Football
- Cheerleading
- Cross Country
- Field Hockey
- Soccer
- Girls Swimming
- Golf
- Volleyball

WINTER

- Basketball
- Cheerleading
- Gymnastics
- Ice Hockey
- Indoor Track
- Alpine Skiing
- Swimming
- Wrestling

SPRING

- Baseball
- Crew
- Lacrosse
- Softball
- Tennis
- Track
- Volleyball





Crew Comes to Haverhill

“With a river running through it, plus several lakes and ponds dotting its landscape, Haverhill would seem a natural place for a crew team. Finally, it’s happening.” (*The Haverhill Gazette*)
 The High School created a crew team that holds practices on the Merrimack River and plans to compete across New England. The fall schedule consists mostly of technique and training with a full schedule of races during the spring.

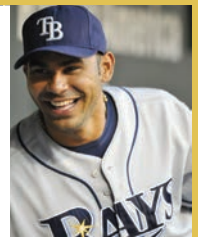


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Hillies Hall of Fame

2017



The Haverhill Hall of Fame was recently established to honor graduates who excelled at athletics while attending High School—and for their accomplishments afterward. It is dedicated to preserving the memory of those who brought distinction, honor and excellence to Haverhill athletics, and to familiarize the community with the school’s rich athletic history. The Inaugural Ceremony on May 13, 2017 inducted the first ten members: four men (including professional baseball player Carlos Pena), four women, and two coaches. The inductees span five decades and represent a wide variety of teams, including men’s football, indoor & outdoor track, basketball and baseball and women’s basketball, golf, softball, swimming, field hockey, cross country, and indoor & outdoor track.



Succeed.

At Haverhill Success is Achieved Through:

- College Preparation
- Goal Setting
- Steady Progress
- Career Readiness
- Community Collaboration
- Practical Experience
- Professional Mentors

In partnership with our community, the Haverhill Public Schools are dedicated to ensuring each learner meets or exceeds rigorous academic standards to become citizens with the integrity, skills, and resources to succeed in the global community.

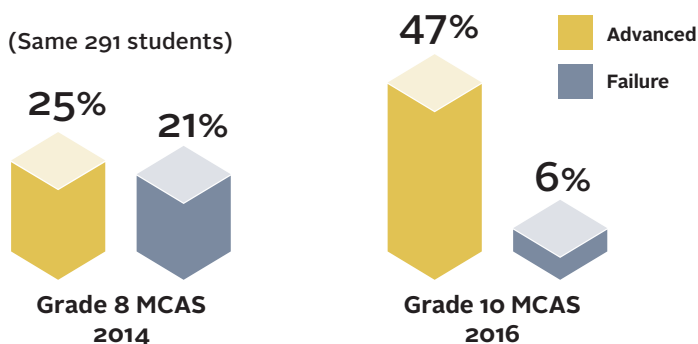
College Counseling and Innovative Test Prep

Haverhill is one of a handful of Massachusetts public high schools to offer private-school-level test preparation and college counseling at no cost to juniors and seniors by Chyten Premier Tutors. The average Chyten student has seen his or her SAT scores jump by 182 points, and more than 150 Harvard and MIT professors have enrolled their children in the program.

A review of admission data for the past several years shows seniors being accepted to prestigious colleges and universities in greater numbers. The successes continue to mount and this year's senior class is testimony to the hard work everyone put in at the high school.

MCAS Math scores

Our emphasis on math performance is paying off. A comparison of the same 291 students who took Math MCAS in 2014 (grade 8) and in 2016 (then in grade 10) show dramatic improvement.



Haverhill High School Recent College Acceptances

- Harvard
- Princeton
- Williams
- Georgetown
- Holy Cross
- Boston College
- Babson College
- Providence College
- Purdue University
- California Polytechnic
- San Louis Obispo
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
- Colorado School of Mines
- Michigan State
- Brandeis University
- Fordham University
- University of Alabama
- Stonehill College
- Saint Anselm College
- University of Massachusetts



“Success is not reflected solely by test scores, but also can be gauged by our students’ accomplishments. These college acceptances are just some of the evidence to prove Haverhill High School is moving in the right direction.”

Jami Dion
Supervisor of Guidance and Support Services
for Haverhill Public Schools

Headed for High Places

For the first time in decades, Haverhill High student were accepted to two of the top-ranked Ivy League schools in the nation, Harvard and Princeton. The number of Haverhill High seniors heading to other notable institutions of higher learning is also increasing; with seniors were accepted to 237 different colleges this year.

Benjamin Roy, age 18, applied to Harvard for early acceptance in November and plans to study Classics. “Ever since I was little, I thought of going to Harvard,” he said. “I had taken some Latin classes through the Harvard Extension School last spring and summer. Roy, a member of the high school’s Classical Academy since his freshman year, said he is leaning toward becoming a professor. “The Classical Academy requires Latin, which I love, and the teachers here are very, very good. One thing the Classical Academy does is force you to take a variety of classes in various subjects.”

McKenna Judge was accepted to Princeton University, where she plans to study chemical and biological engineering in preparation

for a career in pharmaceutical research and development. Judge said she received a comprehensive education as a member of Haverhill High’s Classical Academy. “I’ve been able to take every science class that I wanted along with the classics,” she said. “When you hear the word well-rounded, I think they made sure I maintained that well-rounded profile.”The Classical Academy was created several years ago to allow Haverhill High students to focus on classical subjects such as Latin and Greek, challenging them to excel.

Ciara O’Neill, 18, also a member of the Classical Academy, was accepted to Williams College—the top liberal arts college in the nation—but decided she’d rather attend Georgetown University and major in political science. With an eye toward working on political campaigns, she said Georgetown will be the perfect place to learn. “Since it’s in Washington, it is close to internship and career opportunities,” she said.

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Successful Careers

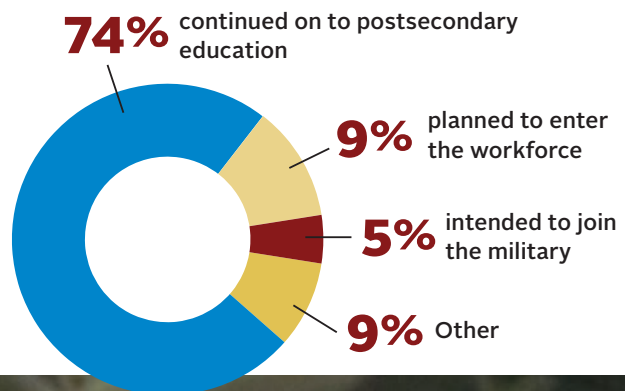
Career readiness is part of our career technical education programs. Students gain critical skills and knowledge through work-based learning experiences both inside and outside of the classroom.

Over 80 local business partners offer internships, serve on our advisory boards, mentor students, and provide real-world connections to coursework. In addition, our academies take advantage of specialists in healthcare, computer science, research and information technology. Through volunteer work, students discover mentors who guide and inspire them throughout their schooling and sometimes beyond.

Global Citizens

At Haverhill we strive to offer a first-rate education that reaches beyond our school campuses to the vibrant, resource-rich communities in the greater Boston area. Students take full advantage of dozens of organizations—hospitals, schools, libraries, technology centers, radio stations, churches, and city hall, to name a few. In turn, communities benefit from a steady flow of talented and eager students rolling up their collective sleeves and getting involved. We do this to prepare our graduates for the exciting and diverse worlds they will soon enter as working adults, and also to teach an awareness and appreciation for the multi-dimensional, interconnected, fast-paced world. We are committed to a global perspective because whether a graduate chooses to settle in Haverhill or Shanghai, we want them to be proud, successful Hillies.

Postsecondary Pathways



Carlos Pena's 1995 Yearbook page



Carlos Pena

Thank you all and watch me get there!



Retired Major League Baseball All-Star Carlos Pena accepting his award at this year's Hall of Fame ceremony.



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