

**Maple Grove Senior High School  
Profile 2017-2018**

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**Crimson Way**

- **Motivation**  
Lead by example; persevere and finish what you start; pursue that which inspires you; excel by doing what is right.
- **Gratitude**  
Appreciate opportunities and those who create them; be selfless, thoughtful, and kind; respect school expectations and our time together; take care of our school and property.
- **Scholarship**  
Challenge yourself to think critically and inquire; respect and meet deadlines; set goals and plan for your future; strive for success with a growth mindset.
- **Honor**  
Be proud of who you are and where you come from; own up to your actions; stand up for others and respect our differences; take pride in our Crimson Family

**Community**

ISD 279 - Osseo Area Schools is the fifth-largest school district in the state, serving all or parts of Brooklyn Center, Brooklyn Park, Corcoran, Dayton, Maple Grove, Osseo, Plymouth, and Rogers. The district serves approximately 20,000 students, pre-kindergarten through grade 12, in 17 elementary schools (PreK-5), four middle schools (6-8), three senior highs (9-12), an area learning center, two early childhood centers, two special program sites, and an adult education/enrollment center. Community education classes serve lifelong learners from birth through senior citizens.

**School and Curriculum**

Maple Grove Senior High School, which opened in 1996, has established a reputation as a school that holds all students to high standards. MGSB offers a comprehensive curriculum of over 200 courses. Enriched curriculum opportunities include Advanced Placement (AP) courses, an Autonomous Learners Program (ALP), High Performance (HP) courses and Project Lead the Way (PLTW). MGSB was designated an Honorable Mention School of Character by Synergy & Leadership Exchange and the Minnesota Department of Education. The school also received two Promising Practice awards related to students' academic and character education excellence.

In order to meet Minnesota's World's Best Workforce legislation, passed in 2013, MGSB is preparing students to be college and career ready through the implementation of the Ramp Up to Readiness program. Ramp-Up is a school-wide advisory program with outcomes focused on the five pillars of readiness: academic, admissions, career, financial, and personal and social readiness. Ramp-Up helps students advance toward meeting those standards as they progress through school.

**Post-Secondary Enrollment Option (PSEO)**

The state of Minnesota provides eligible 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students the option to take college courses at Minnesota private and public colleges at no cost to the student. Students may complete graduation requirements while participating in the PSEO program.

**Graduation Requirements**

District 279 is on a trimester grading schedule. Students earn 1.0 credit for successful completion of each individual course per trimester. The graduation requirements are **64 trimester credits**. The graduation requirements for grades 9-12 are as follows:

|    |                            |    |                           |
|----|----------------------------|----|---------------------------|
| 12 | Credits of English         | 9  | Credits of Science        |
| 3  | Credits of Fine Arts       | 10 | Credits of Social Studies |
| 9  | Credits of Math            | 19 | Credits of Electives      |
| 2  | Credits of Phy Ed / Health |    |                           |

### Transcript Information

Information is listed by trimester with class title, letter grade, and credits earned. Grade point average unweighted is 4.0. Please note that only AP and ALP courses can earn points toward the weighted grading system. When students transfer to our school, their previous schools' grades are reviewed and grade/subject conversions are entered on our school's transcript.

### Grading System

The traditional A, B, C, D, F system is used with a 4-point GPA computed cumulatively on a trimester basis. "Plus" grades equal .33 more than the letter grade, except for A+, which is not used. "Minus" grades equal .33 less than the letter grade. Grades which have no points are NC = No Credit, NG = No Grade, and I = Incomplete. Grades for ALP, IB and AP courses in which the student earns a C or better are weighted with an additional .34 honor points. Students earn a P (Pass) or I (Incomplete) in Advisory but it has no credit value. Academic grades are determined using a standards-based grading system which reports how well the student learned the course standards. Grades are based on academic factors only; non-academic factors such as attendance, behavior, effort, and responsibility are not factored into grades.

### Department Designation

The following is an explanation of the department abbreviation used on the transcript:

|            |                             |             |                                 |            |                         |
|------------|-----------------------------|-------------|---------------------------------|------------|-------------------------|
| <b>AR</b>  | Art                         | <b>LS</b>   | Family & Consumer Science       | <b>SC</b>  | Science                 |
| <b>BU</b>  | Business                    | <b>MA</b>   | Math                            | <b>SCR</b> | Science Required        |
| <b>CP</b>  | Cooperative Education       | <b>MAR</b>  | Math Required                   | <b>SP</b>  | Special Education       |
| <b>EN</b>  | English                     | <b>MU</b>   | Music                           | <b>SS</b>  | Social Studies          |
| <b>ENR</b> | English Required            | <b>PE</b>   | Physical Education              | <b>SSR</b> | Social Studies Required |
| <b>ES</b>  | ELL                         | <b>PEH</b>  | Health                          | <b>TE</b>  | Technology Education    |
| <b>ESR</b> | ELL English Required        | <b>PER</b>  | Life Fitness                    | <b>WL</b>  | World Language          |
| <b>HST</b> | Health Science & Technology | <b>PSEO</b> | Post-Secondary Education Option |            |                         |

### Course Designation

The following course designations appear on transcripts:

|            |  |
|------------|--|
| <b>AP</b>  | Advanced Placement   |
| <b>ALP</b> | Autonomous Learner Programs for talented and gifted  |
| <b>ADJ</b> | Adjusted curriculum  |
| <b>ELL</b> | English Language Learners  |
| <b>HP</b>  | High Performance accelerated class that is more academically challenging than mainstream courses |

**Internship** Course work completed in a community agency under a MGSB coordinator's direction

**Mentorship** Enriched independent study for gifted and talented learners

### ACT Exam Results 2017 (Class of 2018)

575 students tested

Average Composite ACT Score

| English | Math | Reading | Science | Composite |
|---------|------|---------|---------|-----------|
| 22.4    | 22.9 | 23.6    | 22.9    | 23.1      |

| ACT Benchmark for College Readiness | MGSB | STATE |
|-------------------------------------|------|-------|
| College English Composition         | 78%  | 63%   |
| College Algebra                     | 61%  | 48%   |
| College Social Science              | 62%  | 50%   |
| College Biology                     | 54%  | 42%   |

### PSAT 2016

Total number tested - 171. The 2017 National Merit Program named 3 MGSB students as semifinalists and 6 as commended students.

### Advanced Placement and Honors Courses

Maple Grove Senior High offers the following:

- Advanced Placement courses in Biology, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Chemistry, English Language, English Literature, Macro Economics, Micro Economics, Government and Politics, Human Geography, Physics, Psychology, Spanish Language, Statistics, Studio Art: 2-D Design, Studio Art: Drawing, US History, World History
- Honors Courses (HP) in Geometry, Algebra 2, Pre-Calculus, Physical Science 9, Chemistry, English 9, English 10
- Autonomous Learner Programs (ALP).

### Advanced Placement Test Results 2017

- 743 students took 1237 exams in 19 subject areas
- 66% of all exams taken had a passing score of 3 or above. (This figure compares to 60.3% globally and 66.5% of MN students.)

### Extra-Curricular Activities

In 2016-17 we offered 29 different sports with over 2300 participants and 67 different student curricular and non-curricular activities and/or groups.

### Post High School Activity

As reported by 525 students in the Class of 2017, the following results indicated:

|     |  |
|-----|--|
| 73% | 4 year college                                   |
| 18% | 2 year college (community or technical)          |
| 9%  | Other (full-time employment, gap year, military) |