HENDERSON COLLEGIATE HIGH SCHOOL

2023-2024 SCHOOL PROFILE

OUR SCHOOL

Henderson Collegiate (HC) is a public charter school focused on closing the achievement gap with a targeted college prep curriculum and instruction for historically underserved students. We are ranked in the top 50 high schools in all of North Carolina by US News. In 2022/2023 our students outperformed the local district on the ACT for 11th grade. In 2021-2023, we were in the top 5% of all NC schools. Henderson Collegiate offers 9-12 grades

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to empower students with the character traits, academic skills, social experiences, and love of learning necessary for them to shape their own destinies, attend and graduate from the college of their choice, and become world-changing problem solvers.

OUR PROGRAM

High Expectations

Our staff believes that every student can successfully go to and graduate from college.

Cultural Emphasis

We follow a 51:49 approach. 51% of our emphasis is on character development and 49% on academics. We believe that becoming better people is even more important than becoming better students.

College Preparatory Curriculum

Content is designed to build students' critical thinking skills and to prepare them for the rigor of college courses.

OUR VALUES

PRIDE | RESPONSIBILITY | INTEGRITY | DETERMINATION | ENTHUSIASM

OUR STUDENTS

HCHS opened in 2015 with its first class of 9th graders. Since then, HCHS has graduated five Prides. 100% of them were accepted to a 4-year college or university.

389 CURRENT HS ENROLLMENT	**86%** FREE/REDUCED LUNCH	**95%** STUDENTS OF COLOR
91 CLASS OF 2024 ENROLLMENT	**8%** SPECIAL EDUCATION	**5%** ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS

1% ASIAN	<1% AMERICAN INDIAN OR ALASKAN NATIVE	0% NATIVE HAWAIIAN/ PACIFIC ISLANDER
62% BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN	5% 2 OR MORE RACES	3% WHITE
29% HISPANIC		

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GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

To receive an HCHS diploma, students must successfully complete a minimum of 25 credits (1 credit = 1 year).

SUBJECT	YEARS / CREDITS
English	4
Math	4
Science	3
Humanities	4
World Languages	2
Physical Education	1
Health	1
Fine Arts	1
Technology	1
Electives	4

In addition, students must also complete:

- Senior Research Project
- 60 hours of community service
- CPR training
- 1 summer enrichment program
- 2nd summer program recommended

GRADING SCALE

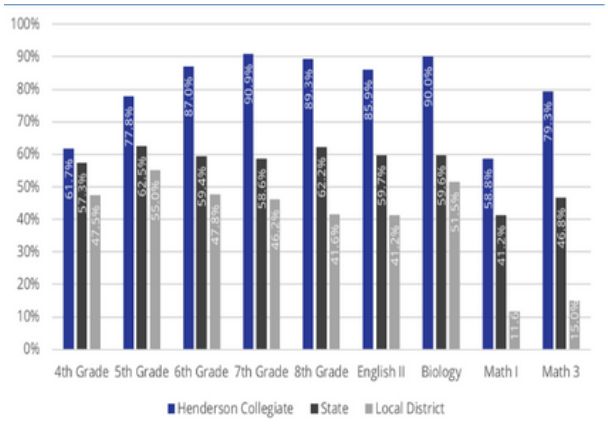
In accordance with state requirements, HCHS uses the NC grading scale and GPA weighted formula.

SCORE	GRADE	COLLEGE PREP	HONORS	AP
90-100	A	4.0	4.5	5.0
80-89	B	3.0	3.5	4.0
70-79	C	2.0	2.5	3.0
60-69	D	0.0	0.0	0.0
<60	F	0.0	0.0	0.0

A student who earns a D or F must complete tutoring and remediation, participate in our Summer Remediation program, or repeat the course to earn a 70 average or higher. Note that at HCHS, unlike traditional NC schools, a "D" is a failing grade.

ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

HCHS students consistently outperform both local and state schools on standardized tests. The school earned the state's highest performance grade 4 out of 5 years from 2014 to 2019, ranking us in the top 7.3% of all North Carolina public schools and top 0.5% of North Carolina Title I schools. In 2022 Henderson Collegiate earned a B and was number 1 in North Carolina for growth. Here are our 2021/2022 results:



ACADEMIC COURSES

Traditionally, students attend class from 7:50am–3:15pm with tutoring integrated during the day. Due to the length of the school day and rigor of the curriculum, students are advised not to take more than 3 AP courses per year. In addition, students take College Readiness courses beginning Junior year.

ALUMNI

100% of the HCHS Alumni were accepted into a 4-year college or university. Last year, 77% of the Pride of 2023 were accepted into a Tier I-III institution including our fifth year in a row with a QuestBridge Scholar. Pride of 2023 was also offered $19.5 million in merit scholarships.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

Our AP program has grown steadily since starting with only one AP offering. We currently offer 11 AP courses, including: AP Calculus (AB & BC), AP US History, AP World History, AP Statistics, AP Chemistry, AP Biology, AP Environmental Science, AP Spanish, AP English Language, and AP English Literature.

100% of HCHS students take AP US History and AP Environmental Science in their junior year. Starting with the Pride of 2021, all graduates will have taken at least 2 AP courses.

COLLEGE ADMISSIONS TESTING

Students will take the ACT and SAT a minimum of one time each, with most students taking each exam twice.

100%	19	989
HCHS STUDENTS TAKING ACT & SAT	AVERAGE ACT SCORE	AVERAGE SAT SCORE

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

HCHS students are responsible for initiating clubs and organizations on campus with support from staff—an integral part of our school culture. Students are strongly encouraged to participate in:

Clubs		Varsity Sports
Art	National Honors Society	Baseball
Chess	Science	Basketball
Debate	Spanish	Cheerleading
Drama	Step Team	Cross Country
Drumline	Student Government	Soccer
Field	Sweethearts Dance Team	Track & Field
Gardening	Women's Empowerment	Volleyball
Sports	Yearbook	
History		
Key Club		

College Matriculation

Prides of 2019-2023

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American University
Barton College
Belmont College
Boston College
Boston University
Cape Fear Community College
Central Carolina Community College
Chowan University
Davidson College
Denison University
Delaware State University
Duke University
East Carolina University
Elizabeth City State University
Elon University
Fayetteville State University
Florida State University
Forsyth Community College
Georgia Institute of Technology
Guilford College
Hampton University
Harvard University
Johnson C. Smith University
Meredith College
Methodist University
North Carolina A&T State University
North Carolina Central University
North Carolina State University
Pfeiffer University
Princeton University
Queens University of Charlotte
Santa Fe College
St. Augustine's University
University of Chicago
University of Mt. Olive
University of North Carolina - Asheville
University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill
University of North Carolina - Charlotte
University of North Carolina - Greensboro
University of North Carolina - Pembroke
University of North Carolina - Wilmington
University of West Georgia
Vance Granville Community College
Wake Forest University
Wake Tech Community College
Western Carolina University
William Peace University
Winston Salem State University

Colleges in bold are the Tier I-III colleges to which students have matriculated.