

JOHNSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL

SCHOOL PROFILE

2026-2027

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Vision & Mission of the Greater Johnstown School District:

The Greater Johnstown School District will be a regional model school district of educational excellence for all students. The GJSD will provide and support diverse, quality academic opportunities in collaboration with our community in order to graduate citizens with the knowledge, skills and ability to promote and succeed in a stronger society.

Community

Johnstown is a small industrial town of approximately 8,500 residents located at the foot of the Adirondack Mountains. It is five miles north of the NYS Thruway (Exit 28), midway between Albany and Utica. The social and economic character of the community is diversified. The main industries are small manufacturing, farming and tourism. Johnstown is a historic town where visitors can relive colonial times with visits to the baronial estate of Sir William Johnson, the Fulton County Courthouse and other historical landmarks. Residents and visitors have many recreational opportunities available to them throughout the year. The activities may include tennis, golf, swimming, softball, jogging, skiing, bicycling, fishing and hunting. The school system enjoys a fine scholastic and athletic program.

School

Johnstown High School is a comprehensive public school. Johnstown offers a wide variety of programs for its students with opportunities to choose courses from twelve different departments. JJSHS offers a wide variety of extra-curricular activities and interscholastic athletics. The school is run on a day 1/2 schedule where core classes meet daily for forty-two minutes, with the exception of science labs and physical education, which meet every other day. The emphasis of the high school program is on preparing students for post-secondary study. The school is accredited by the NYS Education Department.

Academic Programs

Accelerated Courses for 8th grade students:

Algebra I, Earth Science, Spanish 1

Honors Programs:

English 9, English 10, Spanish 1

Advanced Placement Courses:

Biology, English Composition, US Government and Politics, US History, World History

College Level Courses (Dual Enrollment through FMCC)

Speech, Statistics, MAT 120, Psychology, Sociology, Spanish 4 & 5, Pre-calculus, Calculus, Myths & Legends, Personal Finance, Personal & Community Health

Academic Year Course Offerings

ENGLISH

English 9
English 9H
English 10
English 10H
English 11
AP Composition
Criminal Case Studies
Intro to Birding
Creative Writing
Master Classics & Film
Myths & Legends
Speech

SOCIAL STUDIES

Global 9
Global 10
AP World History
AP US History
US History
Government/Economics
AP Politics/Leadership/Eco
Psychology
Sociology
Abnormal Psychology
The 60's
History of Sports

MATH

Pre-Algebra
Algebra
Applied Geometry
Geometry
Algebra II/Trigonometry
Pre-Calculus
Calculus
Intro to Statistics
Practical Math
Math & Financial Applications

SCIENCE

Earth & Space Sciences
Life Science: Biology
Chemistry
AP Biology
Forensic Science
Human Anatomy & Physiology
Topics in the Adirondacks
Natural Disasters
Astronomy
Foundations of Science

FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Spanish 1
Spanish 2
Spanish 3
Spanish 4
Spanish 5

HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Community Living
Personal & Community Health
Child Development
Personal Finance
Career Management
Sports & Entertainment Marketing

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

PE
Personal Fitness
Lifeguarding
Aquatic Personal Fitness

DISTANCE LEARNING

Agricultural Science
Criminal Law
Female Activism
History of Basketball
Short Story

MEDIA STUDIES

Media Writing 1&2

ART

Studio Art
Painting & Drawing
Advanced Art
Ceramics
Sculpture

MUSIC

Symphonic Band
Wind Ensemble
Mixed Chorus
Chamber Choir
Theatre Studies
Music Theory

CAREER & TECHNICAL ED.

Auto Body
Auto Tech
Construction Technology
Environmental Conservation
Cosmetology
Culinary Arts
Digital Multimedia
Fire Science & EMT
Foundations of Food
New Visions Health Careers
New Visions Education Careers
Criminal Justice
Robotics & Engineering Tech
Skilled Trades
Medical Assisting
Cyber Security & Computer Tech

Cumulative Average and Rank

JHS utilized a numerical grading system based on a 100 point scale. The student's GPA is calculated by the mean of all courses attempted, passed and/or failed.

Class rank is determined by a weighted, cumulative numerical average of each student's final course averages from grade nine through the 3rd quarter of senior year. All college and AP classes are weighted at 2% of the final course grade for rank. All other classes are weighted equally with the exception of Physical Education which counts $\frac{1}{4}$ of the final course grade.

English	4
Social Studies.....	4
Mathematics	3
Science... ..	3
Foreign Language... ..	1
Art/Music... ..	1
Health	5
Physical Education... ..	5
Electives.....	3.5
Total Credits	22

Examinations

1. English Language Arts
 2. American History and Government
 3. Global History and Geography
 4. One Mathematics (Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry)
 5. One Science (Living Environment, Earth Science, Chemistry, Physics)
- Certain College Board Achievement Tests or NOC-TI

Class of 2026

Diplomas Awarded

	#	%
Total Graduates.....	105	96
Regents Diploma.....	86	76
Regents with Honors.....	2	1
Advanced Regents.....	30	23

Post Secondary Plans

	#	%
Four Year College.....	27	26
Two Year College.....	30	29
Trade School.....	2	1
Military.....	2	1
Seek Employment.....	44	43

Scholarships

NYS Scholarship for Academic Excellence	4
William A. Wright Scholarship	2
Commencement Scholarships	60

Academic Honors

4 year Cumulative GPA 90 and Above.....	17	14
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