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COMMUNITY

The City of Taunton, located in southeastern Massachusetts, forty miles southwest of Boston and twenty miles northeast of Providence, Rhode Island, is a Massachusetts Gateway City. The largest city in land area in the Commonwealth, Taunton is an industrial community of approximately 57,000 people. Taunton was founded in 1639 and incorporated in 1864.

SCHOOL

Established in 1849, Taunton High School is a comprehensive 8 - 12 high school, housed in an educational complex which opened in 1975 and was renovated in 2011.

Our web address is www.tauntonschoools.org CEEB code: 222123

Enrollment as of 09/01/17: 2655

Class of 2018: 405 Students

Percentage of Free or Reduced Lunch: 50%

Staff: 184

Degree Status:

Doctorates

2

Masters

87

CAGS/Masters+

15/27

Bachelors

53

Accreditation: New England Association of Schools and Colleges

Graduation Class of 2017: 480 Students

2016-2017 College Board Test Scores

			<u>Average Score</u>	<u>Range</u>
Post-secondary plans	80%			
Four Year Colleges	48%	SAT EBRW	512	200-790
Two Year Colleges	29%	SAT Math	509	200-780
Military	3%			

Recent Taunton High School graduates have been accepted to numerous top tier institutions, including, but not limited to: Brown, Princeton, Northeastern, Columbia, Dartmouth, Harvard, Tufts, Boston University, Boston College, MIT, WPI, and Providence College.

EXPLANATION OF GRADING SYSTEM

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Advanced Placement Level 1</u>	<u>Honors Level 2</u>	<u>College Prep* Level 3</u>
A+	95-100	5.5	5.0	4.5
A	90-94	5.0	4.5	4.0
B+	85-89	4.5	4.0	3.5
B	80-84	4.0	3.5	3.0
C+	75-79	3.5	3.0	2.5
C	70-74	3.0	2.5	2.0
D	60-69	2.0	1.5	1.0
F	Below 60	0.0	0.0	0.0
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Class Rank: All students are ranked after completion of their junior year.

"A Connected Student is a Better Student"

CURRICULUM

Taunton High School follows a 4x4 block schedule. Students take four (4) eighty-four (84) minute courses during each semester. The following Advanced Placement courses meet daily in an eighty-four (84) minute period for the entire year: Chemistry, Biology, Environmental Science, Programming IV and Calculus. Culinary Arts IV, Child Care III, Concert Choir, Select Chorus, Symphonic Band and Concert Band meet in an eighty-four (84) minute period for the entire school year.

Graduation Requirements: Students must obtain 140 credits to graduate. During their academic career, they must pass four semesters of English, four semesters of Mathematics, three semesters of Social Studies, three semesters of Science and two semesters of Wellness. As required by the Education Reform Law, students must pass the grade 10 tests in English Language Arts (ELA), Mathematics and one of the four high school Science and Technology Engineering tests as one condition of eligibility for a high school diploma. (Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System)

Advanced Placement Courses: AP courses are offered in English Literature and Composition, English Language and Composition, U.S. History, European History, Calculus BC, Chemistry, Biology, Environmental Science, Studio Art, Microeconomics, Latin, French, Spanish Language, Psychology, Human Geography, Comparative Government, Computer Science A, Computer Science Principles and Statistics.

Honors Courses: Honors courses are offered in English, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Foreign Language, Business, and Industrial Technology.

*Please note that three school years ago Taunton High School implemented a new name designation for Level 3 courses. "College Prep 1" and "College Prep 2" will now replace the previously used terms of "Academic", "Applied", and "Standard". CP1 equals Academic and CP2 equals the Applied and Standard. The new designations more appropriately reflect our true goal of college and career readiness, and are in line with common terminology used in school systems.

A full complement of Special Education and English Language Development and Sheltered English Instruction are available for students.

Taunton High School has articulation agreements with a number of colleges participating in the Career Vocational Technical Education Linkage. Students participate in the Massachusetts Department of Education Dual Enrollment Program with Bristol Community College, Bridgewater State University, and the University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth. Local employers, through *Project Intern*, provide qualified students with internship opportunities that enhance their educational experiences. Seniors participate in a community service program through which they volunteer in elementary and middle school classrooms, work at Head Start, and assist in hospitals, nursing homes, and rehabilitation centers.

In addition to the college preparatory sequence, opportunities exist for students to participate in a variety of career enhancement/enrichment courses.

Business and Technology offerings:

Accounting I, II
AP Micro Economics
Banking and Investment
Bank Practicum
Business and Personal Law
Introduction to Business Technology
Introduction to Criminal Justice
Criminal Justice II
Google Apps
Business Technology I, II
Computer Technology I, II
CTE Exploratory
Management and Entrepreneurship
Video Game Design
Introduction to Robotics
Financial Math
Marketing I, II, III
Personal Financial Math
Sports and Entertainment Marketing
Web Design I, II

Visual Arts offerings:

AP Studio Art
Artisans' Studio I, II, III
Broadcasting I, II, III
Drawing and Painting I, II, III, IV
Photography I, II
Three-Dimensional Design I, II, III

Performing Arts offerings:

Band 8
Concert Band
Symphonic Band
Mixed Choir 8/9
Concert Choir
Select Chorus
Harmony & Theory
Treble Chorus
Guitar

Industrial Technology offerings:

Computer Aided Design I, II, III, IV, V
Construction Technology I, II
CTE Exploratory
Wood Manufacturing I, II, III, IV
Graphic Design I, II, III, IV, V

Family Consumer Science offerings:

Child Care I, II, III
CTE Exploratory
Culinary Arts I, II, III, IV
Fashion Technology I, II, III, IV
Nutrition