



CENTRAL PARK EAST HIGH SCHOOL

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Central Park East High School (CPEHS)

Central Park East High School is a 9-12 public high school located in the heart of East Harlem. CPEHS was founded over thirty years ago as one of the first small and innovative high schools in New York City. We pride ourselves on offering the academic and extracurricular choices and opportunities of a large school in our intimate, small school environment. We prepare students for college by offering a multitude of rigorous accelerated classes as well as access to many high quality programs through partnerships with community based college access programs.

Demographic Information

CPEHS serves 525 students, 133 of whom are members of the Senior Class of 2022. Within the student body, 75% are eligible for Federal Free/Reduced Lunch. Approximately 40% of the students identify as Hispanic, 20% as Black or African American, 18% as Asian, 18% as White, 5% Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, and 2.3% as Other.

Higher Education

The total graduation rate for the CPEHS class of 2021 was 99%. Of the 128 graduates from the CPEHS Class of 2021, 100% applied to college and 99% are expected to matriculate for the Fall 2021 Semester. 87% of the Class of 2021 will attend 4-year schools, 12% will attend 2-year schools, and 1% will pursue alternative pathways.

Class of 2021 Academic Profile:

Class Size: 128

Average GPA: 90.02%

Average SAT (out of 1600): 1102

Avg. SAT Evidence-Based Reading and Writing: 566

Average SAT Math: 536

First-generation: 80.47%

The Mission

Central Park East High School understands that each student has the potential for greatness. We also understand that our students' academic and overall success starts with their engagement and transformation in our classrooms. Here at CPEHS, we nurture their development through authentic collaboration between teachers, parents and the community to inspire and establish lifelong learning in all our students.

School Curriculum

CPEHS offers students a rigorous curriculum, including a 5-year math sequence culminating with AP Calculus AB, a 5-year science sequence culminating with Physics or AP Environmental Science, as well as a multitude of Honors, Advanced Placement and CUNY College Now courses.

Honors: CPEHS offers 7 honors courses including Physics, Chemistry, English, Earth Science, Spanish, and Global History. Students from 9th to 12th grade are placed into honors courses based on their academic performance.

Advanced Placement Courses: CPEHS offers 8 AP courses including Calculus, English Composition, English Literature, US History, Statistics, Environmental Science, Chemistry, and AP Computer Science Principles. Students are registered for an AP course if approved by a rigorous selection process (assessment of overall GPA, attendance, and teacher recommendation).

CUNY College Now: CPEHS partners with Baruch College and Borough of Manhattan Community College to allow students to take college level courses. To be considered for the program, students must be in the 11th or 12th grade and must have a minimum score of 75 on their English Regents and 80 on a Math Regents.

Grading Scale and Weighting System

Beginning in 9th grade, all core subjects, whether passed or failed, are included in the cumulative GPA computation. Grades are recorded on the transcript in February and June. Students receive grades based on the traditional 100 point scale:

100-95 = A	94-90 = A-	89-85 = B
84-80 = B-	79-75 = C	74-70 = C-
69-66 = D	Less than 65 = F	

GPA's are weighted for students who take honors courses by a factor of 1.05 and Advanced Placement (AP) or College Now courses by a factor of 1.10.

The following guidelines are used for CPEHS Honor Roll:

- **Honor Roll:** 85% average in all classes and pass all classes with nothing below an 80%
- **Principal's Honor Roll:** 95% average in all classes and pass all classes with nothing below a 90%

Admissions

CPEHS is annually ranked as the one of highest demand high school programs out of over 450 in the NYC DOE. Students are accepted based on middle school grade point average and attendance as well as demonstrated interest in our program. While we are required to consider State English and Math scores as part of our admissions process, we are the only high demand screened program in New York City that does not use test scores as a primary admissions criteria. Last year, the school received over 5,000 applications for the incoming class of 125 students.

Graduation Requirements

Students can earn one of three diplomas: Local, Regents, and Advanced Regents. Students must receive a score of 65 or higher on NYS Regent Exams and earn 44 credits within the following distribution:

8 English	2 Foreign Language or
8 Social Studies	mastery of third year level
6 Mathematics	1 Health
6 Lab Science	2 Arts
4 Physical Education	7 Elective Courses

Local Diploma*: 44 credits plus Regents in English Language Arts, Integrated Algebra, Science, Global History, and United States History

**Only students who have an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) are eligible to receive this type of diploma.*

Regents Diploma: 44 credits PLUS Regents in English Language Arts, 1 Math, 1 Science, Global History, and United States History

Advanced Regents Diploma: Regents Diploma requirements PLUS Regents in 3 Math 2, Science, and LOTE (including 6 foreign language credits)

Students that have passed all of their regents with a score of 85 or higher will receive a Diploma with Distinction.

Class of 2021 Diploma Distribution

Regents Diploma – 33%
Regents Diploma with Honors – 2%
Advanced Regents Diploma – 54%
Advanced Regents Diploma with Honors – 11%

Beyond the Classroom

CPEHS offers students a variety of extracurricular activities and clubs including:

- National Honors Society
- Debate Club
- Achievement Mentoring
- Student Council
- Peer Tutoring
- Madison Times
- Community Service Club
- Class of Consciousness
- K-Pop Club
- Travel Club
- Green Club
- Chess Club
- Senior Internship Program
- Peer Group Connections Peer Leadership Program
- CARA Youth Leader Program
- LBGTQ Club
- 16 PSAL sport teams

Community Partners

CPEHS is affiliated with a number of community partners and enrichment programs including:

- New Visions for Public Schools
- CollegeBound Initiative (CBI)
- College Access: Research and Action (CARA)
- College Now
- CUNY Think College Now
- Heckscher Foundation for Children
- Brotherhood-Sister Sol
- Futures and Options
- The Bridge Golf Foundation
- Girls Inc.
- Minds Matter
- Opportunity Network
- Seizing Every Opportunity (SEO)
- Search and Care Community Service

Central Park East High School's Response to COVID-19

Spring 2020

Many of our students have family members in high risk categories and have experienced the death of a loved one due to COVID-19. At Central Park East High School, we have done the best we can as a community to support our students both academically and emotionally. Like most schools and school districts, live in-person class time has been modified to include far more virtual live instruction and virtual school office hours for extra support. CPEHS was incredibly well-prepared for this transition as we have hosted and cultivated our own Google GSuite domain for almost a decade and our teachers have been experimenting with enhanced virtual instructional strategies for years. In short, the transition to remote learning was not a struggle for our school community. Evidence of this seamless transition are our AP scores from the spring of 2020. CPEHS' pass rates for all of our AP exams are in line with previous years' results and we saw no drop off in pass rates. Per the New York Department of Education's flexible grading policy, students and their families were able to select Pass or No Pass grades for the Spring 2020 semester. Further explanation can be seen on the student's transcripts under the Message Area section. Very few students chose the Pass - No Pass option and received regular grades.

Fall 2020 and Spring 2021

The 2020-2021 school year was a continuation of our modified instructional program which met the need of both remote and in-person students. As evidence by our post-secondary enrollment outcomes, the Class of 2021 will be attending some of the most competitive and prestigious public and private colleges/universities in the country. Our college enrollment rate will also be at its highest point ever.

Notably CPEHS was one of two schools in all of New York State that received the prestigious New York Education Trust FAFSA Completion Award for having the highest percentage completion of any school in New York State with 100 or more students graduating. The Class of 2021 has a completion rate of 100%.

Notable 2021 acceptances/enrollments:

Acceptances

Barnard College
Boston University
Bowdoin College
Colgate University
Emory University
Haverford College
Lafayette College
Lehigh College
Middlebury College
Smith College
Tufts University
University of California-San Diego
University of Miami
University of Richmond
University of Rochester
University of Southern California
Vanderbilt University
Vassar College
Wellesley College

Enrollments

Babson College - Early Decision
Boston College
Brandeis University
Brigham Young University
Brown University (2) - Questbridge
Carnegie Mellon - Early Decision
Columbia University (2) - Questbridge
Cornell University (3)
CUNY Sophie Davis Biomedical Program (2)
CUNY Macaulay Honors (2)
Franklin & Marshall - Posse Foundation
Ithaca College
New York University (8)
Northeastern University (2)
Skidmore College
SUNY Binghamton
SUNY Stony Brook (3)
Swarthmore College
Syracuse University (3)
Wheaton College - Posse Foundation
University of Michigan

CPEHS College Acceptance History

Alfred University	Hofstra University	SUNY Albany
Amherst College	Howard University	SUNY Alfred State
Babson College	Hamilton College	SUNY Binghamton University
Bard College	Iona College	SUNY Brockport
Barnard College	Ithaca College	SUNY Buffalo State
Barry University	John Hopkins University	SUNY Canton
Baylor University	Johnson & Wales University	SUNY Cobleskill
Bentley University	Keiser University	SUNY Cortland
Boston College	Keuka College	SUNY Delhi
Boston University	Lafayette College	SUNY Farmingdale
Bowdoin College	Le Moyne College	SUNY Fashion Institute of Technology
Brandeis University	Lehigh University	SUNY Fredonia
Brigham Young University	Long Island University	SUNY Geneseo
Brown University	Loyola University	SUNY New Paltz
Bucknell University	Manhattan College	SUNY Old Westbury
Chapman University	Manhattanville College	SUNY Oneonta
Cal State Chico	Marist College	SUNY Oswego
Cal State East Bay	Marymount Manhattan College	SUNY Plattsburgh
Carnegie Mellon University	Mercy College	SUNY Polytechnic Institute
Chulalongkorn University (Thailand)	Middlebury College	SUNY Potsdam
Clark Atlanta University	Molloy College	SUNY Purchase
Clarkson University	Morgan State University	SUNY Stony Brook University
Colgate University	Monroe College	SUNY University at Buffalo
Columbia University	Morehouse College	Swarthmore College
College of Mount Saint Vincent	Mt. Holyoke College	Syracuse University
College of Saint Rose	Newberry College	Temple University
Connecticut College	New England College	The Cooper Union
Cornell University	New School	The New School
CUNY Baruch College	New York Institute of Technology	Trinity College
CUNY Brooklyn College	New York University	Trinity University
CUNY City College of New York	NYU-Shanghai	Tufts University
CUNY New York City College of Tech.	Northeastern University	Union College
CUNY Hunter College	Northwestern University	University of Arts-London
CUNY John Jay College	Nyack College	University of California-Davis
CUNY Lehman College	Niagara University	University of California-Santa Cruz
CUNY Macaulay Honors	Northeastern University	University of California-San Diego
CUNY Medgar Evers	Occidental College	University of Chicago
CUNY Sophie Davis Biomedical Program	Penn State University	University of Connecticut
CUNY Queens College	Pratt Institute	University of Hartford
CUNY College of Staten Island	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	University of Maryland, Baltimore
CUNY York College	Rhode Island College	University of Massachusetts at Amherst
Daemen College	Rice University	University of Massachusetts at Lowell
DePauw University	Rochester Institute of Technology	University of Miami
Dickinson College	Sage College of Albany	University of Michigan
Drexel University	Saint Peter's University	University of Pennsylvania
Emory University	Santa Clara University	University of Pittsburgh
Fairfield University	San Jose State University	University of Richmond
Fordham University	Spelman College	University of Rochester
Franklin and Marshall College	Siena College	University of Southern California
George Washington University	Skidmore College	University of Virginia
Georgetown University	Smith College	University of Wisconsin-Madison
Georgia State University	Spelman College	Vanderbilt University
Gettysburg College	Springfield College	Vassar College
Haverford College	St. Francis College	Wellesley College
Hilbert College	St. Lawrence University	Wheaton College
Hobart William Smith Colleges	St. Thomas Aquinas College	Worcester Polytechnic Institute