



PRAIRIE CENTRAL

— HIGH SCHOOL —

CURRICULUM

Prairie Central High School provides a curriculum with more than 120 course offerings on a four-block schedule, enabling students to earn as many as 36 credits in state mandated, vocational, and college preparatory education. Through Parkland College, PCHS makes 39 dual credit (high school & college) hours available in a variety of disciplines. In addition, PCHS offers advanced placement courses in Advanced Java, English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, U.S. History, and honors courses in math and language arts. PCHS also allows students to enroll in dual credit courses through the Livingston Area Career Center (LACC).

PROGRAM RECOGNITION

The music program at PCHS has been recognized in a variety of competitions and festivals. A number of students in the program have been named to IMEA bands and choruses. The Future Farmers of America (FFA) judging teams have won 107 state championships and five national championships since 1986. The Family Career & Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) has earned state-wide, as well as, national recognition for projects, and has advanced several students to state offices, including two to the state presidency. 85 students have been named Illinois State Scholars over the past five years.

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PCHS SCHOOL FACTS

Enrollment: 640

Certified Staff: 50

COLLEGE ATTENDANCE RATES

Approximately 70% of graduates attend four-year colleges, community/junior colleges, or trade schools.

ACT

Tested Area	Prairie Central (All Students)	Illinois
Reading	21.2	20.3
English	20.5	19.8
Math	20.4	20.4
Science	20.7	20.2
Composite	20.8	20.3

STANDARDIZED TESTING INFORMATION

PCHS students enrolled in the core curriculum compared with the Illinois average state score:

ACT Class Profile	PCHS Composite (Core)	Illinois Composite
2012-13	21.5	20.6

THE LIVINGSTON AREA CAREER CENTER

The LACC offers career and technical education to juniors and seniors including dual credit courses in the following areas:

- Automotive Technician
- Computer Maintenance
- Computer Networking
- Construction Trades
- Cosmetology
- Culinary Arts
- Early Childhood Education
- Engineering / Architectural Design
- Emergency Medical Technician
- Inter-related Co-operative Education
- Law Enforcement
- Office Information Processing
- Visual Media Arts
- Welding

“The mission of Prairie Central High School is to provide quality education in a safe environment through a shared relationship with a group of diverse communities, to be pro-active and student-oriented, to provide experiences through an innovative curriculum and caring people, thereby preparing students for life-long learning in a global society.”

— *PCHS Mission Statement*