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### Class of 2020 At A Glance

776

**Graduates**

**Attending college**

76% to 4-year institutions  
 11% to 2-year institutions

13%

**Attending Military, Apprenticeships, Gap Year Programs, or Workforce**

3

**National Merit Scholars**

8

**IB Diplomas**

31

**AP Scholars**

11

**AP Scholars with Honors**

31

**AP Scholars with Distinction**

1

**Indiana Academic All-Star**

## Community

Since 1958, North Central High School has set the standard for academic excellence in the state of Indiana. The basis for North Central's excellence resides in the diverse north side Indianapolis community, which supports the belief that quality education is a vital component in a democratic society. The school motto of "Achievement through Scholarship, Honesty and Respect" is reflected in the daily lives of our students as they pursue a challenging college preparatory curriculum in an environment which thrives on respect for the ethnic, racial and religious diversity of its population.

## School

North Central is a four-year, comprehensive high school with an enrollment for **2020-2021** of **3,806** students comprised of: **922** seniors, **946** juniors, **973** sophomores and **965** freshmen. The faculty consists of 210 certified staff with 50% possessing degrees at the Master's level or higher. There are 12 full-time counselors, one counseling director, and one full-time coordinator of college and career counseling.

**IB WORLD SCHOOL:** The Metropolitan School District of Washington Township in Indianapolis, Indiana, became one of the world's premier sites for the International Baccalaureate (IB) program beginning in 1986, making North Central's IB Diploma Program one of North America's oldest. **In June 2014, Washington Township received full International Baccalaureate World School Authorization, making Washington Township one of only a handful of K-12 public school districts in the nation with this designation.**

North Central High School is accredited by the North Central Association Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement.

North Central High School is a member of The National Association for College Admission Counseling (NACAC) and complies with the NACAC Statement of Principles of Good Practice.

## Mission

The mission of Washington Township Schools is to develop life-long learners and globally minded citizens, by fostering the academic, creative and social skills needed to achieve excellence in a multi-cultural environment.

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## Graduation Requirements

For the Class of 2020, a total of 46 credits is required for graduation:

English	8 credits
Mathematics	6 credits
Social Studies	6 credits
Sciences	6 credits
Speech	1 credit
Physical Education	2 credits
Health & Safety	1 credit
Electives	16 credits

**For students who wish to earn college credit in high school, North Central offers:**

- \*28 Advanced Placement courses
- \*International Baccalaureate diploma program (30 courses)
- \*12 Advanced College Project (dual credit through Indiana University)

## College Admission Tests

### SAT Mean Scores

Grad year: 2020  
Total tested: 564

	School	State	National
ERW	557	-	-
Math	540	-	-

### ACT Mean Scores

Grad Year: 2018  
Total tested: 360

	School	State
English	22.2	21.9
Math	22	22.3
Reading	23	23.1
Science	21.8	22.2
Composite	22.4	22.5

## Grading System

North Central's weighting system is intended to recognize and reward academic work over a four-year period in selected courses where student work is judged to be significantly above that present in the college preparatory program. This system of weighting is a part of determining students' grade point average (GPA) and class rank. The GPA is established by totaling all earned points and dividing by the total number of credits attempted. North Central uses a 4-point grading scale which incorporates pluses and minuses within each grade range.

Accumulative grade point average is adjusted using the following formula for students taking weighted courses: A weighting factor of .2 is multiplied by the total number of weighted courses taken and then divided by the number of semesters completed. The quotient is then added to the GPA established by the actual earned grades in all course work.

## 4-Point Plus/Minus Grading Scale

A = 4.0000	B = 3.0000	C = 2.0000	D = 1.0000
A- = 3.6667	B- = 2.6667	C- = 1.6667	D- = 0.6667
B+ = 3.3333	C+ = 2.3333	D+ = 1.3333	F = 0.0000

## Curriculum

North Central students may choose their courses from several hundred offered each year by 14 different departments. Classes are offered in traditional 50-minute periods.

North Central High School offers a wide range of academic courses in order to challenge each student to achieve at his or her potential. The following courses are designated as Honors, Advanced, or AP. Due to the additional rigor, these courses are weighted in the GPA.

Department	College Preparatory	Accelerated (Weighted grade)	Advanced Placement/IB (Weighted grade)	
ENGLISH	American Film Literature Advanced Journalism Beginning Journalism ◊ Composition 1/2 ◊ English 9, 10, 11 Expository Writing Genres of Literature World Film Literature	Etymology Speech Yearbook Humanities Print/Online Media	Advanced Composition (ACP) Critical Thinking 1/2 English 9X, 10X Genres of Literature (ACP)	AP English Lang/Comp (IB) AP English Lit/Comp (IB) Theory of Knowledge 1/2, 3/4 (IB)
HUMANITIES	Economics Government US History 1/2 World Geography 1/2 World History 1/2		Economics ACP Government ACP International Relations Psychology ACP US History ACP	AP Economics IB AP European History 1/2 (IB) AP Government (IB) AP Human Geography AP Psychology AP US History 1/2 AP World History 1/2
MATHEMATICS	Algebra 1/2, 3/4 Discrete Math Geometry 1/2 Pre-Calculus 1/2 Trigonometry		Algebra 3/4X Geometry 1/2X Pre-Calculus 1/2X Finite Match ACP	Advanced Math Topics 1/2 (IB) AP Calculus 1/2 AB (ACP) AP Calculus 1/2 BC (IB) AP Computer Science 1/2 (IB) AP Pre-Calculus 1/2X AP Statistics/Probability 1/2
SCIENCE	◊ Biology 1/2 Chemistry 1/2 ◊ Earth and Space Science 1/2 Integrated Chemistry Physics 1/2 Physics 1/2 Zoology 1/2		Human Anatomy & Physiology 1/2 Biology 1/2X Chemistry 1/2X (ACP) Physics 1/2X Zoology 1/2X	AP Advanced Biology 1/2 (IB) AP Advanced Chemistry 1/2 (IB) AP Advanced Physics B 1/2 (IB) AP Advanced Physics C 1/2 (IB) AP Environmental Science 1/2 (IB)
WORLD LANGUAGE	Chinese 3/4, 5/6, 7/8, 9/10 French 1/2, 3/4, 5/6, 7/8, 9/10 German 1/2, 3/4, 5/6, 7/8, 9/10 Hebrew 1/2, 3/4, 5/6, 7/8, 9/10, 11/12 Japanese 1/2, 3/4, 5/6, 7/8 Latin 1/2, 3/4, 5/6, 7/8, 9/10 Spanish 1/2, 3/4, 5/6, 7/8, 9/10		Chinese 3/4x, 5/6x, 7/8x French 3/4X, 5/6X, 7/8X Spanish 3/4X, 5/6X, 7/8X **German 5/6, 7/8 **Hebrew 5/6, 7/8, 9/10, 11/12 **Japanese 5/6, 7/8, 9/10 **Latin 5/6 French 7/8 ACP Spanish 7/8 ACP	AP Chinese 9/10 (IB) AP French 9/10 (IB) AP German 9/10 (IB) AP Japanese 7/8, 9/10 (IB) AP Latin 7/8, 9/10 (IB) AP Spanish 7/8, 9/10 (IB)
ELECTIVES				AP Music Theory 1/2 AP 2-D Art (IB) AP 3-D Art AP Art History 1/2 IB Music

◊ Indicates these courses are also taught on a modified level for students who demonstrate language arts skills significantly below their grade placement.

### KEY

ACP	Advanced College Project - dual credit with Indiana University
X	Accelerated
AP	Advanced Placement
IB	International Baccalaureate
1/2	1 <sup>st</sup> semester, 2 <sup>nd</sup> semester
**	Qualified students earn weighted grades

Post-Secondary Acceptances Over the Past Four Years Include:

Albion College	Hampton University	Texas Christian University
Academy of Dramatic Arts	Hanover College	The Citadel
Adrian College	Harvard University	Thomas Moore College
Agnes Scott College	Heidelberg University	Transylvania University
Alabama A&M University	High Point University	Trine University
Alabama State University	Hillsdale College	Truman State University
American Musical and Dramatic Academy	Hofstra University	Tufts University
American University	Holy Cross College	Tulane University
American University in Paris	Hope College	Tuskegee University
Amherst College	Howard University	United States Air Force Academy
Anderson University	Illinois State University	United States Army
Arizona State University	Indiana State University	United States Military Academy at West Point
Auburn University	Indiana University	United States Naval Academy
Augustana College	Indiana University-Purdue University- Indianapolis	University of Akron
Baldwin Wallace University	Indiana Wesleyan University	University of Alabama
Ball State University	Ithaca College	University of Arizona
Bard College	Ivy Tech Community College	University of California-Berkeley
Barnard College	Jackson State University	University of California-Los Angeles
Barry University	Johns Hopkins University	University of California-San Diego
Baylor University	Johnson & Wales University	University of Chicago
Bellarmino University	The Julliard School	University of Cincinnati
Belmont University	Kalamazoo College	University of Colorado at Boulder
Beloit College	Kent State University	University of Dayton
Benedict College	Kentucky State University	University of Denver
Bennett College	Kenyon College	University of Edinburgh
Berklee College of Music	Lawrence University	University of Evansville
Bethune-Cookman University	Lehigh University	University of Findlay
Boston College	Lewis University	University of Glasgow
Boston University	Loyola University-Chicago	University of Illinois
Bowdoin College	Loyola University-New Orleans	University of Indianapolis
Bradley University	Macalester College	University of Kentucky
Bryn Mawr College	Manchester College	University of Louisville
Brescia University	Manhattan College	University of Miami
Brown University	Marian University	University of Maine
Butler University	Marquette University	University of Michigan
California State Polytechnic University	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	University of Minnesota
Carleton College	McDaniel College	University of Mississippi
Carnegie Mellon University	McGill University	University of Missouri
Carthage College	Miami University of Ohio	University of New England
Case Western Reserve University	Michigan State University	University of Notre Dame
Cedarville University	Middlebury College	University of Oklahoma
Central Michigan University	Milliken University	University of Oregon
Central State University	Morehead State University	University of Pennsylvania
Chapman University	Murray State University	University of Pittsburgh
Clark Atlanta University	New College of Florida	University of Prince Edward Island
Clemson University	New York University	University of Richmond
Coastal Carolina University	New York University-Shanghai	University of Rochester
College of Charleston	North Carolina A&T State University	University of San Diego
College for Creative Studies	North Central College	University of San Francisco
College of Wooster	Northeastern University	University of South Florida
Colorado State University	Northern Arizona University	University of Southern California
Columbia College-Chicago	Northern Michigan University	University of Southern Indiana
Columbia University	Northwestern University	University of Stockholm
Cornell University	Oberlin College	University of Tennessee
Creighton University	Ohio State University	University of Toledo
Dartmouth University	Ohio University	University of Vermont
Davenport University	Ohio Wesleyan University	University of Virginia
Davidson College	Pace University	University of Washington
Denison University	Parsons School of Design	University of Wisconsin-Madison
DePaul University	Pennsylvania State University	Ursinus College
DePauw University	Princeton University	Valparaiso University
Denver University	Purdue University	Vanderbilt University
Dominican University	Pratt Institute	Vassar College
Drake University	Reed College	Vincennes University
Drexel University	Regis University	Virginia State University
Duke University	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	Wabash College
Earlham College	Rice University	Wake Forest University
Eastern Michigan University	Richmond, The American International	Washington and Lee University
Eckerd College	College in London	Washington University at St. Louis
Elon University	Robert Morris University	West Los Angeles College
Emerson College	Rochester Institute of Technology	West Virginia University
Emory University	Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology	Western Carolina University
Eugene Lang College-The New School	Rutgers University	Western Michigan University
Fashion Institute of Technology	Saint Louis University	Wittenberg University
Fisk University	Saint Mary's College	Xavier University (OH)
Florida A&M University	Saint Mary of the Woods	Xavier University (LA)
Florida Gulf Coast University	San Diego State University	Yale University
Florida Institute of Technology	Sarah Lawrence College	
Fordham University	Savannah College of Art & Design	
Franklin College of Indiana	School of the Art Institute of Chicago	
Full Sail University	Sewanee: The University of the South	
Furman University	Simmons College	
George Mason University	Skidmore College	
Georgetown University	Southern Illinois University	
George Washington University	Spelman College	
Georgia Institute of Technology	Stanford University	
Georgia State University	Syracuse University	
Grand Valley State University	Taylor University	
Grambling State University	Temple University	
Greenville College	Tennessee State University	
Grinnell College	Texas A&M University	