

MAINE WEST 2023 | 2024 PROFILE

The School and Community

Maine West High School lies 40 minutes northwest of downtown Chicago in a suburban area serving most of Des Plaines and a portion of Rosemont. Maine West educates students who speak 50 languages and 50.5% of students live in homes where English is not the primary language. The student population is 45.9% Latinx, 37.9% white, 10% Asian, 3.2% who identify as two or more races, 2.6% Black, 0.2% American Indian or Alaska Native and 0.2% Pacific Islander.

The enrollment is 1,903 and the average class size is 22. Maine West provides a comprehensive, innovative and rigorous public education program. Curriculum offerings at Maine West are extensive, with over 200 courses offered in 10 departments, including the fine arts, world language and career technical education. Education horizons are broadened via Maine West's distance learning and videoconferencing capabilities, allowing student learning to expand into the larger community. The school provides AP courses and dual-credit courses, as well as a dedicated program to allow students internship and career experiences to help with postsecondary choices.

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Grading

District 207 reports a weighted and unweighted grade point average on the transcript. GPA for all courses is calculated on a four-point scale. Accelerated and AP courses are given one additional bonus point. This is reflected in the weighted GPA. Driver Education does not count in the GPA. In a Pass/NG course, a passing grade does not affect a student's GPA. However, a failing grade was figured into a student's total GPA as a zero through the fall semester of 2019. Beginning with the spring semester of 2020, a grade listed as NG provides no credit and has no GPA impact. An NG may be used under special circumstances such as an audited course, a withdrawn course due to extenuating circumstances or a failed course.

District 207 moved to an integrated math curriculum in the 2019-20 school year. In all courses in the integrated math program, students study content standards in the domains of Algebra, Functions, Geometry, Number and Quantities, and Statistics and continue to develop their proficiencies with the 8 Standards for Mathematical Practice. Math 3 Compression and PreCalc Compression courses go at a faster pace, "compressing" more content so that students are prepared for the skills and rigor of AP Calculus BC. All grades received in the integrated math program are unweighted.



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Dr. Ken Wallace, Superintendent
Dr. Eileen McMahon, Principal

Class of 2022 At a Glance

In first year after graduation:
31% enrolled in a 4-year college*
37% enrolled in a 2-year college*

From Class of 2023:

45 Illinois State Scholars (Class of 2022)

5 National Hispanic
Recognition Students

Graduating Class Size: 475

School Information:

Highest Weighted GPA: 4.8529

Highest Unweighted GPA: 4.0

Free and Reduced Lunch
Percentage: 33.1%

*Represents the percentage of
graduates attending in the first year
after graduation and is based upon
August 2023 StudentTracker Report.

Academic Program

The school offers a broad and varied curriculum, the details of which can be found at: isweb.maine207.org/Course_catalog/. Among the course offerings include AP and Dual Credit options.

District 207 schools offer over 340 courses spread over 18 academic areas. Each course is developed with preparation for both college and career in mind. Twenty-five districtwide Advanced Placement courses are offered. Twenty-two college-level courses are offered as dual credit/dual enrollment with colleges in Illinois. Twelve honors/accelerated courses are offered.

The academic program is founded on the career pathways concept. Through a combination of rigorous and high-quality educational experiences, students prepare for the world of work, understanding there are multiple pathways to a successful career.

Maine West operates on an 8-period block schedule each semester (4 periods per day, alternating days) allowing students the opportunity to take 7 classes plus PE/Health which is required (lunch is embedded into the day).

Faculty

Approximately 80% of Maine West's teachers have an M.A. degree or beyond.

Accreditation

Maine West High School is accredited by the Illinois State Board of Education.



Transcript Legend

ACC	Accelerated/Honors
AP	Advanced Placement
ESL	English as a Second Language
I	Incomplete Grade must be earned during the first six weeks of the next quarter
NG	No Grade Carries no credit and used under special circumstances such as an audited course, a withdrawn course due to extenuating circumstances or a failed course.
P	Passing Passing grade in Pass/NG Course
RLTD	Classroom work for job training
SS	Summer School
T	Transferred credit
TRNG	On-the-job training
PLTW	Project Lead the Way

Graduation Requirements

A minimum of 22.75 academic units of credit are required for graduation.

English (4.0)

Mathematics (3.0)

Social Sciences (3.0)

Science (3.0)

Financial Literacy (0.5)

Fine Arts, CTE or Foreign Language (2.0)

Health (0.50)

Physical Education (enrolled)

Electives (5.0)

Note: Exams are required on the Declaration of Independence, the Flag of the United States, the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of Illinois.

SAT Scores - Class of 2023

Maine West Total Average:

956 (Scale of 400 to 1600)

Corresponds to a National Representative Sample Percentile Rank of 40

PERCENTILE	READING/ WRITING	MATH	TOTAL
25th	420	400	820
50th	480	470	940
75th	550	540	1090