



Forest Park High School

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SCHOOL PROFILE 2024 – 2025

Forest Park High School, which opened in September of 2000, is a comprehensive high school of 2268 students and is located in a suburban community approximately 35 miles south of Washington, D.C. Forest Park provides a variety of vocational preparation programs that use modern laboratories as well as challenging academic offerings that strongly emphasize college preparation. Forest Park High School is one of two high schools in PWCS designated as a Center for Information Technology.

Forest Park High School is fully accredited by the Virginia Department of Education and the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

Definition of Curriculum

The Prince William County Public School Division has comprehensive course offerings which range from remedial courses through Advanced Placement classes and courses leading to a Standard or Advanced Studies diploma.

A full range of vocational courses is also offered which, in combination with the academic offerings, allows students to prepare for college entrance, to enter the job market upon graduation, or to enroll in post high school training in various fields.

Center for Information Technology Program (IT)

The Center for Information Technology offers opportunities for students to study a wide range of information technology programs covering three main areas: computer programming and database management, graphics and multimedia, and hardware and networking. An extensive advanced placement (AP) program is also available within this program. Programs leading to professional and general certification are offered. These certificate programs include computer graphics, multimedia, computer repair, computer programming, and networking. Students need at least two years in upper-level classes to prepare for the advanced graphics, network, and programming certifications.

To participate in the program, students must be enrolled in at least one iT core class each year and must complete a sequence of iT classes in grades nine through twelve. Current areas of study are:

- Cisco Certified Network Associate (CCNA)
- A+ Certifications
- ProTech CAT 5 Copper and Fiber Certification
- Oracle Certified Professional
- Certified Internet Webmaster (CIW)
- Computer Graphics Seat-Hour Certifications
- Multimedia Seat-Hour Certifications

Profile of 2024 Graduates

Total Graduates:	500
Four-Year College/University:	46.7%
Two-Year College/University:	34.8%
Other:	18.5%

Graduation Requirements

Advanced Diploma:	26 Units
English	4 units
Mathematics	4 units
Science	* 4 units
Social Studies	4 units
Foreign Language	3 of 1 (or) 2 of 2 units
Health/Physical Educ.	2 units
Economics	1 unit
Fine Arts/CTE	1 unit
Other Electives	3 units
Virtual Course	*** 1 course
CTE credential or 1 Advanced Course	
CPR required	

Standard Diploma:	22 Units
English	4 units
Mathematics	3 units
Science	* 3 units
Social Studies	** 3 units
Health/Physical Educ.	2 units
Economics	1 units
Forgn Lang/Fine Arts/CTE	2 units
Electives	4 units
Virtual Course	***1 course
CTE credential or 1 Advanced Course	
CPR required	

* Must include 3 units from Earth Science, Biology, Chemistry, Physics; additional units from Biology II, AP Chemistry or AP Physics may be taken as electives
 ** Must include World History, US/VA History and US/VA Government
 *** Virtual Course requirement fulfilled through Economics class

Grading Scale-Effective 2020-2021

Grade	Point Value For Courses	Point Value For Courses Designated As AP, IB, Dual Enrollment and Certain Career And Technical Education Courses	Point Value For Designated Prerequisite Courses
A	4 points (90-100)	5 points (90-100)	4.5 points (90-100)
B+	3.4 points (87-89)	4.4 points (87-89)	3.9 points (87-89)
B	3 points (80-86)	4 points (80-86)	3.5 points (80-86)
C+	2.4 points (77-79)	3.4 points (77-79)	2.9 points (77-79)
C	2 points (70-76)	3 points (70-76)	2.5 points (70-76)
D+	1.4 points (67-69)	1.4 points (67-69)	1.4 points (67-69)
D	1 point (60-66)	1 point (60-66)	1 point (60-66)
F	0 points (59 & below)	0 points (59 & below)	0 points (59 & below)

Grade Distribution 2023-2024

A	B	C	D	F
44.0%	24.1%	18.4%	9.3%	4.2%

Scholastic Aptitude Test Mean Scores 2023-2024

	Total score	ERW	Math
Forest Park High School	1020	523	496
PW County	1009	520	489
State	1101	564	537
National	1024	519	505

Advanced Placement

Advanced Placement courses are taught in all Prince William County high schools. These courses are externally moderated and exceed the expectations of grade-level objectives for a specific subject. Students taking these courses will have a plus sign (+) beside the course title listed on the student transcript and report card. All AP courses are on a weighted (5.0) scale.

Listed below are AP Courses currently being offered at Forest Park High School for SY 2024-2025:

- AP English Literature/Composition
- AP English Language/Composition
- AP US Government
- AP Comparative Government
- AP American History
- AP World History
- AP Human Geography
- AP Psychology
- AP Economics
- AP Computer Science I (A)
- AP Computer Science Principles
- AP Calculus AB
- AP Calculus BC
- AP Statistics
- AP Biology
- AP Chemistry
- AP Environmental Science
- AP Physics C: Mechanics
- AP Physics 2
- AP Spanish Language
- AP French
- AP Studio Art Drawing
- AP Studio Art 2-D

Class Rank

All courses for which Carnegie units of credit will be awarded are used in computing the grade point average (GPA) and reporting of percentile, which is found on the student transcript. For students who entered 9th grade in the Fall of 2018 and beyond, PWCS reports class percentile and no longer reports class rank. Courses are not evaluated on a pass/fail basis in Prince William County Schools. When a transcript is received from another school district that uses pass/fail grades, the courses will not be used in computing the grade point average and percentile unless the sending school furnishes a letter grade that corresponds to the Prince William County Schools grading system.

All students earning an Advanced Studies or Standard diploma from a Prince William County Public School are included in the senior class percentile.

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