

DENVER SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE



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MISSION STATEMENT

South is committed to dismantling systemic and structural racism in education, and creating academic access and facilitating success to Black and all Students of Color. Moving forward as a community, we will work to create a diverse, equitable, and inclusive environment for all students to feel supported academically and personally, being empowered to pursue their dreams beyond South. We, Denver South, are committed to being actively anti-racist and building a future in which we can all prosper.

SCHOOL & COMMUNITY PROFILE

Denver South HS offers a cross-cultural experience that challenges all students to attain the highest levels of academic success. Hailing from throughout Denver and across the globe, South's student body meets to collaborate and master the skills needed to excel in college and today's world economy. Academic Programs such as Advanced Placement, Honors and Concurrent Enrollment with local college partners, Career Connect Pathways in Engineering and Technology, business, health/medicine, and digital arts, internship opportunities and the Multilingual Education (MLE) Program challenge students in grades 9-12 to reach new levels of individual achievement. From the classroom to athletics and enrichments, the world gathers at South to prepare for the future.

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

The academic program is organized into a modified block schedule, offering students the opportunity to take up to 7 classes each semester. Courses are worth 5 credits each semester. Students must earn 240 credits in order to graduate, including 4 years of English, 4 years of math, 3 years of social studies, 3 years of science and 1 year of each a fine arts class and a physical education class. In order to best meet the needs of our students, Denver South became an Embedded Honors school, beginning the 2022-23 school year. All of our core classes (Math, Science, English and Social Studies) have the opportunity for any student to demonstrate honors-level mastery of the content. This model is inclusive of all students and is research- proven to benefit all students in both cognitive and interpersonal skills. We offer Advanced Placement and Concurrent Enrollment classes and we had over 1,000 students participate in these programs in the 2023-24 Academic Year. Honors and AP courses are open enrollment. See reverse for Concurrent Enrollment pre-requisites.

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SAT RESULTS

Per Colorado state law, ALL students are required to take the Colorado SAT exam in April of 11th grade.

SAT Averages - Class of 2024

Combined ERW & Math: 982

ERW: **510**

Math: **482**

COLLEGE MATRICULATION

Four Year Colleges: 61%

Two Year Colleges: 12%

Other/Unknown: 27%

SCHOOL YEAR 2022-2023 DEMOGRAPHICS

Total Enrollment	1840	Hispanic	30.7 %
Free/Reduced Lunch	39.5%	White	47.8 %
English Language Learners	27.4%	African American	10.2 %
Special Education	9.6%	Asian/Pacific Islander	4.5 %
Minority	52.1%	American Indian	.9 %
		Multiple	5.8%



ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

GRADING SCALE, RANK & GPA

Rank is calculated from the cumulative GPA starting in the 9th grade. All 5 credit courses are calculated in the rank and GPA. Both a weighted and un-weighted rank and GPA are reported on the transcript. AP, Honors, Concurrent Enrollment & some Career/Tech Education (CTE) courses carry weighted value in the calculation of the weighted GPA (designated by an * on the transcript).

COVID 19 Information - Classes were conducted remotely for the Fall 2020 semester and in a hybrid format for Spring 2021.

CLASS OF 2022-23: 424 GRADUATES

Letter Grade	Unweighted Value 4.0	Weighted Value 5.2	Percent Based	Final WGPA of 2023 Grads
A	4	5.2	93-100	30%
A-	3.67	4.77	90-92	
B+	3.33	4.33	87-89	
B+	3	3.9	83-86	40%
B-	2.67	3.47	80-82	
C+	2.33	3	77-79	
C	2	2.6	73-76	29%
C-	1.7	2.17	70-72	
D	1	1.3	60-69	0%
F	0	0	0-59	

Four Year Institutions that accepted 2023 South HS graduates: All Colorado Public 4-Year Universities & Colleges, Arizona State University, Bowling Green State University, Brandeis University, Brewton-Parker College, California Polytechnic State University, Chapman University, Clark Atlanta University, Colorado College, Columbia University, Cornell University, Duke University, Edmonds College, Elon University, Emerson College, Grand Canyon University, Hofstra University, Indian University, Iowa State University, Johns Hopkins University, Lewis & Clark College, Loyola University New Orleans, Montana State University, Mount St. Mary's University, New Mexico Military Institute, North Carolina State University at Raleigh, Northeastern University, Oklahoma Panhandle State University, Oregon State University, Ottawa University, Pace University, Princeton University, Purdue University, Queen Mary University of London, Saint Louis University - Madrid, San Diego State University, Santa Clara University, Simpson College, Syracuse University, Texas Christian University, The New School, University of British Columbia, The University of Edinburgh, University of Tampa, Trinity College Dublin, Tufts University, Universidad Catolica de Valencia, University of Arizona, University of California - Berkeley, Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz, University of Denver, University of Florida, University of Georgia, University of Hawaii at Manoa, University of Iowa, University of Kansas, University of Massachusetts - Boston, University of Michigan - Ann Arbor, University of Missouri - Kansas City, University of New Mexico, University of Oklahoma - Norman Campus, University of Oregon, University of Puget Sound, University of San Diego, University of South Carolina - Columbia, University of Southern California, University of Southern Maine, University of Vermont, University of Washington - Seattle Campus, University of Wisconsin - Madison, Villanova University, Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Washington State University, Washington University in St. Louis, Western Washington University, Wichita State University, Willamette University, Worcester Polytechnic University.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

South HS offers 15 Advanced Placement (AP) classes in the 2023-24 Academic Year. AP courses have an open enrollment policy and offerings vary each academic year. South HS currently offers the following AP classes:

- English Language & Composition
- English Literature & Composition
- Spanish Language & Culture
- Calculus AB
- Calculus BC
- Statistics
- Computer Science Principles
- Computer Science A
- United States History
- United States Government & Politics
- World History
- Physics
- 2D Art & Design
- 3D Art & Design
- Drawing

CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT

- College level courses are offered at South High School through multiple college partners.
- The course offerings may vary slightly each year.
- Each Concurrent Enrollment (CE) course is one semester long and students receive 3-4 college credits if they earn a C or higher.
- Access to CE courses is based on student choice, grades and exam data. English and math require a college ready SAT or Accuplacer score, or a grade waiver
- Our college partners include Community College of Denver, University of Colorado Denver, Metropolitan State University, and Western Colorado University.
- The following CE courses are offered at South High School for the 2023-24 Academic Year:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ENG 1021/1022: English Composition 1/2 • ENG 2021/2: Creative Writing • MAT 1340: College Algebra • MAT 1440: Pre-Calculus • MAT 1240: Math for Liberal Arts • MAT 1260: Intro to Statistics • BIO 1111: General College Biology • CHE 1011: Intro to Chemistry | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CE ENV 1111: Environmental Science • CE HIS 1210: History to Reconstruction • CE HIS 2110: African American History • CE ACC 1001: Accounting • CE POS 2020: Intro to Political Science • CE POS 1011: State/Local Government • CE ETH 2000: Intro to Ethnic Studies | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CHS 1000: Intro to Chicano/a Studies • PSY 1005: General Psychology • SOC 1001: Intro to Sociology • SPA 2110: Spanish Reading & Comm 1 • SPA 2120: Spanish Reading & Comm 2 • SPA 3110: Advanced Conversation • HPR 1039 Medical Terminology • ART 1003 3D Design |
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