

Glenbard WEST

ACADEMIC YEAR
2026-2027

GLENBARD TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 87



DISTRICT AND COMMUNITY

Glenbard Township High School District 87 is the fourth largest high school district in Illinois. Glenbard District 87 encompasses 45 square miles within DuPage County, a suburban area approximately 30 miles west of Chicago. The communities of Glen Ellyn, Carol Stream, Glendale Heights and Lombard lie within the district's boundaries, along with portions of Bloomingdale, Hanover Park, Addison, Downers Grove, Wheaton and unincorporated areas.

Glenbard District 87's four comprehensive high schools serve students in grades 9-12. These schools are: Glenbard East in Lombard, Glenbard North in Carol Stream, Glenbard South in Glen Ellyn and Glenbard West in Glen Ellyn.

Of Glenbard District 87's 7,649 students, 38% come from low-income families. The demographic makeup is: white 43.3%, Black 6.8%, Hispanic 32.1%, Asian 14.7%, American Indian 0.2% and two or more races 2.7%.

Source: 2024-25 Illinois Report Card

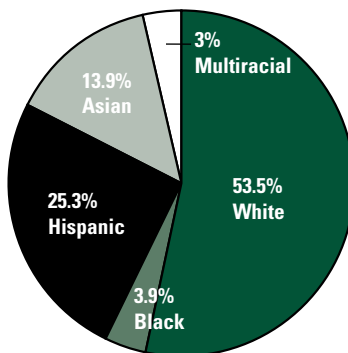
GLENBARD WEST HIGH SCHOOL

Glenbard West High School, which opened in 1922, is one of Glenbard Township High School District 87's four comprehensive high schools. Glenbard West serves the Chicago suburban communities of Glen Ellyn, Glendale Heights, Lombard and Wheaton.

Of Glenbard West's 2,299 students, 28% come from low-income families. Demographic makeup: white 53.5%, Black 3.9%, Hispanic 25.3%, Asian 13.9%, and two or more races 3%.

Source: 2024-25 Illinois Report Card

Glenbard West is fully accredited by the Illinois State Board of Education. Glenbard West was a Recognized American School Counseling Association Model Program (RAMP) School.



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CLASS OF 2026 COLLEGE ATTENDANCE

Arizona State University - Tempe

Auburn University

Augustana College (IL)

Aurora University

Barry University

Baylor University

Bellarmino University

Benedictine University

Bradley University

Butler University

Carleton College

Carthage College

Central Michigan University

Clemson University

College of Central Florida

Colorado State University - Fort Collins

Columbia College Chicago

Concordia University Chicago

DePaul University

DePauw University

Dominican University

Drake University

Drexel University

Elmhurst University

Eureka College

George Fox University

Georgetown University

Gordon College

Hope College

Howard University

Illinois State University

Indiana University - Bloomington

Iowa State University

Kent State University

Lewis University

Loras College

Loyola University Chicago

Marquette University

Marymount University

McGill University

Miami University - Oxford

Michigan State University

Morton College

CURRICULUM

Glenbard West provides a comprehensive high school curriculum, with a wide variety of fine arts and career / technical education course offerings.

- Hybrid Block, with required lunch
- Schedule allows for students to take up to 7 academic courses
- Physical education is required and included in GPA
- No limit to the number of AP courses a student can take
- AP Capstone Diploma School
- Seal of Biliteracy School

ADVANCED PLACEMENT	2026	2025	2024
Total Candidates (Grades 9-12)	1,145	1,096	1,056
Number of AP exams taken	2,413	2,259	2,141
Percent of Total AP Exam Scores of 3 or Higher	86%	84%	80%

AP

Art History	Computer Science Principles	Human Geography	Spanish Literature & Culture
Biology	Cybersecurity	Macroeconomics	Statistics
Calculus AB	English Language & Composition	Microeconomics	Studio Art 2D & Design
Calculus BC	English Literature & Composition	Music Theory	Studio Art 3D & Design
Chemistry	Environmental Science	Physics C	U.S. Government & Politics
Chinese Language & Culture	French Language & Culture	Psychology	U.S. History
Comparative Government and Politics		Research Seminar	
Computer Science A		Spanish Language & Culture	

DUAL CREDIT

American Politics 1101	Intro to Education 1100	Math 1218
English Composition 1101	Intro to Horticulture 1100	Multivariable Calculus
English Composition 1102	Intro to Sustainable Urban Agriculture 2300	School Procedure 1101
Entrepreneurship 1161		Speech 1100

HONORS

Algebra 2 w/ Trigonometry	French 4	Spanish 2
Biology	Geometry	Spanish for Heritage Speakers 2
Chemistry	Mandarin 3	Spanish for Heritage Speakers 3
English 1	Mandarin 4	World History
English 2	Physics	
French 3	Pre Calculus	

TECHNOLOGY CENTER OF DUPAGE (TCD)

The Technology Center of DuPage (TCD) serves high school juniors and seniors from 24 DuPage County schools, offering 17 career and technical education (CTE) programs as part of their high school curriculum. Students earn 1.5 credits per semester and may also earn free dual college credit by enrolling within a designated timeframe. On its 250,000-square-foot campus, TCD provides hands-on training with industry-relevant technology, preparing students for careers, certifications, apprenticeships, and college opportunities. Approximately 280 students from Glenbard District 87 participate annually in one of the following programs:

Auto Body Repair & Refinishing	Criminal Justice	Multimedia and Television Production
Automotive Technology	Emergency Medical Technician	Nursing Assistant Training Program
Computer Information Systems & Game Design	Fire Science	Professional Cooking, Baking & Service
Computer Integrated Manufacturing	HVAC & Residential Wiring	Robotics, Automation & Engineering
Construction Trades	Manufacturing, CNC & Machining Technology	Welding Technology
Cosmetology	Medical Assisting	

AP ENROLLMENT

Glenbard West supports an open access policy for AP courses. For the Class of 2026:

- 435 of the 572 seniors in the class of 2026 (76%) took at least 1 AP course during high school.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

COURSE	SEMESTERS	CREDITS
English	7 semesters	3.5
Math (including Algebra & Geometry)	6 semesters	3.0
Science	6 semesters	3.0
Social Studies (including 1.0 US History and .5 US Government)	6 semesters	3.0
Speech	1 semester	.5
Cultural Arts	1 semester	.5
Applied Arts	1 semester	.5
Consumer Education	1 semester	.5
Physical Education (including .5 Health and .5 Driver Education)	8 semesters	4.0
Additional Electives	9 semesters	4.5
Total number of credits required to graduate =		23.0

GRADING AND RANKING PROCEDURES

Glenbard Township High School District 87 utilizes a 4.0 grading scale with a one-point weight for Advanced Placement, dual credit, and honors courses, and does not report individual class rank.

Advanced Placement, dual credit and honors courses (weighted):

- A= 5.0, B= 4.0, C= 3.0, D= 2.0, F= 0.0

All other courses (unweighted):

- A= 4.0, B= 3.0, C= 2.0, D= 1.0, F= 0.0

For the class of 2027, the highest student GPA after junior year (6th semester) was:

- Highest weighted 4.82
- Highest unweighted: 4.00

LETTER GRADE	%
A	90-100
B	80-89
C	70-79
D	60-69
F	Below 60

- New York University
- North Carolina A&T State University
- North Central College
- Northern Illinois University
- Northwestern University
- Olivet Nazarene University
- Oregon State University
- Paul Mitchell The School - Toledo
- Pennsylvania State University
- Providence College
- Purdue University
- Roger Williams University
- Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
- Saint Louis University
- Saint Mary's College
- Saint Norbert College
- Samford University
- San Diego State University
- School of the Art Institute of Chicago
- Sewanee - The University of the South
- Siena University
- Southern Illinois University - Carbondale
- Southern Methodist University
- St. Bonaventure University
- St. Olaf College
- Taylor University
- Texas A&M University - Galveston
- Texas Christian University
- The Institute for American Musical Theatre
- The Ohio State University
- The University of Alabama
- The University of Tampa
- The University of Tennessee - Knoxville
- Tiffin University
- Trent University - Peterborough
- Triton College
- Tulane University
- United States Naval Academy
- Universal Technical Institute of Illinois Inc.
- University of Arizona
- University of Arkansas
- University of Cincinnati
- University of Colorado - Boulder

- University of Dayton
- University of Georgia
- University of Illinois at Chicago
- University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- University of Iowa
- University of Kansas
- University of Kentucky
- University of Louisville
- University of Miami
- University of Michigan
- University of Minnesota
- University of Missouri
- University of North Carolina
- University of Notre Dame
- University of Rochester
- University of South Carolina
- University of South Carolina - Upstate
- University of South Florida
- University of Southern California
- University of Utah
- University of Washington - Bothell Campus
- University of Washington - Seattle Campus
- University of Wisconsin-Madison
- University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point
- University of Wisconsin-Whitewater
- Virginia Tech
- Washington University in St Louis
- Wayne State University
- Western Michigan University
- Western Washington University
- Wheaton College (IL)

TEST SCORE INFORMATION

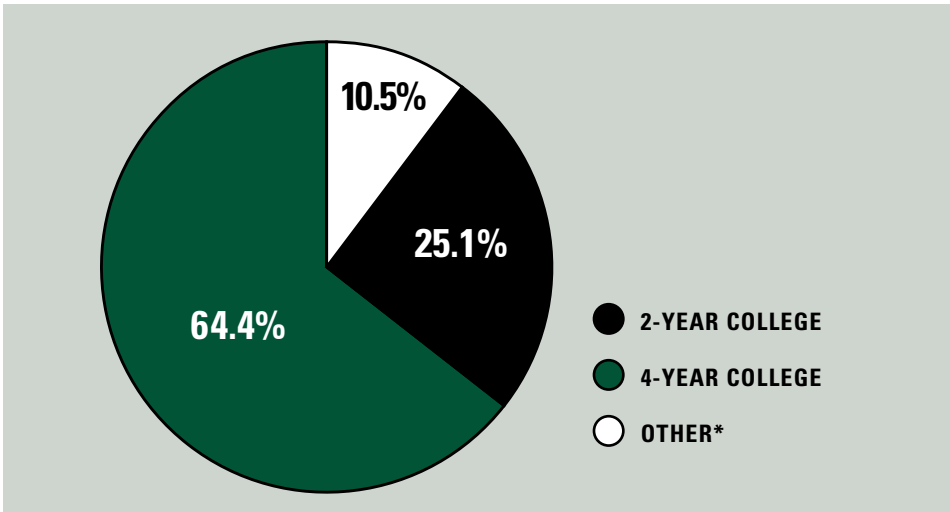
ACT AVERAGE SCORE	READING	ENGLISH	MATH	SCIENCE	COMPOSITE	% TESTED
2026	23.4	22.4	22.8	22.9	22.8	97%

Note: Starting in 24-25, the ACT exam became the official standardized test for the state of Illinois.

NATIONAL MERIT	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Commended	10	13	12	13	18
Semi-finalists	6	5	3	4	6
Finalists	6	5	3	4	6
Recognition Award	76	-	-	-	-
First-Generation Recognition Award	12	14	-	-	-

CLASS OF 2026 POST-HIGH SCHOOL PLANS

2-YEAR COLLEGE	4-YEAR COLLEGE	OTHER	GRADUATES
133	342	56	531



Source: Senior exit interviews with School Counselors.
*Other includes Military, Employment, Career Ed, Year off and Other

FIRST GENERATION COLLEGE BOUND

Thirty percent of Glenbard West students are first generation college bound. Glenbard West defines first generation as no parent having a four-year Bachelor’s Degree.

EXTRACURRICULAR OPPORTUNITIES

Glenbard West High School offers a wide variety of extracurricular activities, including interscholastic athletics, student government, publications, clubs and service organizations. A student must carry a normal class schedule and maintain a record of good school citizenship in order to participate in extracurricular activities.