

Pella High School Profile

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COMMUNITY & SCHOOL

Pella is located in south central Iowa and has a population just over 10,000 people. It is a community proud of its heritage and traditions. The Pella Community School District prides itself on our mission to *maximize life's opportunities for every child*.

Current enrollment is around 700 students grades 9-12, and the schedule is an 8 period day.

ACT TRENDS

(Composite scores over last 5 years)

2017	24.6
2016	23.7
2015	23.8
2014	23.5
2013	25.1

GRADUATE TRENDS

Class of 2017:

55% attended 4 year college
30% attended 2 year college

Class of 2016:

54% attended 4 year college
24% attended 2 year college

Class of 2015:

55% attended 4 year college
31% attended 2 year college

Class of 2014:

51% attended 4 year college
29% attended 2 year college

Class of 2013:

55% attended 4 year college
27% attended 2 year college

CONTACT INFORMATION

Administration Office 641-628-1111
Superintendent, Greg Ebeling

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Director of K-12 Instruction, Lowell Ernst

Pella High School 641-628-3870
Principal, Eric Nelson
Assistant Principal, Jon Muller

Student Services Center 641-628-9539
Dean of Students, Wade Van Vark
School Counselor, Teresa Thompson
School Counselor, Jessica Manning

CEEB code: 163490

CURRICULUM

Graduation Requirements- 46 credits required
(One class period is worth one credit each semester)

Science	6 credits	Physical Ed.	4 credits
Math	6 credits	Health	1 credit
English	8 credits	Financial Literacy	1 credit
Social Studies	7 credits	Electives	14 credits

Mathematics Curriculum Explanation- Math 1, 2, & 3 and Core Math 1, 2, & 3

Over a three-year period, Integrated Mathematics, & Core Math (Math 1, 2, & 3) teaches the same mathematical topics as a contemporary Algebra 1, Geometry, and Algebra 2 sequence. The difference is in the organization of the content. Integrated math teaches the interrelations of the concepts, and core math teaches the logical steps of the math solving problem process. Instead of being divided into separate courses, Algebra 1, Algebra 2, & Geometry are taught in each of the three years.

Advanced Placement (AP) courses (weighted on a 4.5 grading scale)

American Government and Politics AP Human Geography AP French Language AP

College Credit Courses (weighted on a 4.5 grading scale)

American Literature to 1865	Intermediate Spanish 1 & 2
American Literature from 1865	Intro to Computer Science
Art Appreciation	Intro to Engineering & Design
Beginning Chinese	Intro to Pre-Calculus
Beginning German	Intro to Psychology
Calculus	Oral Communication
College Discrete Math	Principles of Engineering
Digital Electronics	Psychology
Engineering Design & Development	Statistics
Elementary Spanish 1 & 2	Western Civilization 1 & 2
Foundations of Education	

GRADING SYSTEM- (Cumulative GPA are computed each semester using all credits grades 9-12)

4.0 point scale		4.5 point scale		Courses graded on 4.5 point scale
A	4.00	A	4.50	Am Lit to 1865, Am Lit since 1865,
A-	3.67	A-	4.17	Art Appreciation, Beginning Chinese,
B+	3.33	B+	3.83	Beginning German, Calculus, College Discrete
B	3.00	B	3.50	Math, Digital Electronics, Engineering Design
B-	2.67	B-	3.17	& Development, Elementary Spanish,
C+	2.33	C+	2.83	Foundations of Education, Intermediate Spanish,
C	2.00	C	2.50	Introduction to Calculus, Introduction Computer
C-	1.67	C-	2.17	Science, Introduction to Engineering & Design,
D+	1.33	D+	1.83	Introduction to Pre-Calculus, Introduction to
D	1.00	D	1.50	Psychology, Oral Communication,
D-	0.67	D-	1.17	Pre-Calculus, Principles of Engineering,
F	0.00	F	0.00	Psychology, Statistics, Western Civilization

AP Courses:

American Government AP, French Language AP, AP Human Geography