

# 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 just over 700 students grades 9-12, and the schedule is an 8 period day.

## ACT TRENDS

(Composite scores over last 5 years)

2020	22.3
2019	23.7
2018	23.4
2017	24.6
2016	23.7

## GRADUATE TRENDS

### Class of 2020:

46% attended 4 year college  
36% attended 2 year college

### Class of 2019:

65% attended 4 year college  
10% attended 2 year college

### Class of 2018:

59% attended 4 year college  
23% attended 2 year college

### 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

## CONTACT INFORMATION

**Administration Office** 641-628-1111  
Superintendent, Greg Ebeling

**Curriculum Office** 641-628-2220  
Director of K-12 Instruction, Lowell Ernst

**Pella High School** 641-628-3870  
Principal, Adam Beckel  
Assistant Principal, Derek Schulte

**Student Services Center** 641-628-9539  
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

Ag-Business Management	Elementary Spanish 1 & 2	Intro to Textiles Construction
American Literature 1 & 2	Emergency Care	Nurse Aide
Art Appreciation	Engineering Design & Dev.	Nurse Aide Advanced
Beginning German 1 & 2	Fashion Analysis & Design	Oral Communication
CADD 1 & 2	Food Preparation 1 & 2	Power Tools
Calculus	Foundations of Education	Principles of Engineering
Child Growth & Dev.	Intermediate Spanish 1 & 2	Statistics
Communication Skills	Intro to Computer Science	Survey of Animal Industry
Computer Hardware Basics	Intro to Engineering & Design	Welding 1 & 2
Construction Trades	Intro to Pre-Calculus	Western Civilization 1 & 2
	Intro to Psychology	

**GRADING SYSTEM** (Cumulative GPA is 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 1, Am Lit 2, Art Appreciation,
A- 3.67	A- 4.17	Beginning German 1, Beginning German 2,
B+ 3.33	B+ 3.83	Calculus, Digital Electronics,
B 3.00	B 3.50	Engineering Design & Development,
B- 2.67	B- 3.17	Elementary Spanish 1, Elementary Spanish 2,
C+ 2.33	C+ 2.83	Intermediate Spanish 1, Intermediate Spanish 2,
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
		<b>AP Courses:</b>
		American Government AP, French Language AP,
		AP Human Geography