



Rapid City Stevens High School

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Accredited by: AdvancED/

North Central Association

CEEB Code: 4 2 1 0 7 2

2016 – 2017 School Profile

Community and School

Rapid City, South Dakota, is a growing community of nearly 70,000 people in a rural area where tourism is a large industry. Agriculture also has a large influence on the economy. Rapid City is a regional trade center for neighboring states seeking medical care, air transportation, shopping, higher education, and sports and entertainment. Included in Rapid City are a state 4-year college of engineering, a University Center of seven colleges, a private business and informational technology college, and one state technical institute. Ellsworth Air Force Base, located 10 miles from Rapid City, is an integral part of our community with many military families living in the Rapid City community. Many of the parents of Stevens High School students are professionals; however, there is a growing mix of economic levels within the school population.

Stevens High School is located on the west side of Rapid City, South Dakota, in Pennington County. Stevens is one of three public high schools in Rapid City and has been accredited by the AdvancED/NCA since 1970. Enrollment is approximately 1600 students in grades 9-12 of which 65% will attend a post secondary institution.

Stevens High School provides a full high school program including math, science, language arts, social studies, fine arts, physical education, business/computers, technology, family and consumer sciences, agriculture, world languages, and special education. Advanced Placement classes are offered in English, United States history, psychology, United States government, calculus, chemistry and physics. Activities include athletics, band, choir, drama, and debate, as well as a full range of club activities.

Enrollment

Current Total School Enrollment: 1623

Senior Class Size: 360

Grade Levels Served: 9, 10, 11, 12

Academic Program

School year calendar: semesters

Block scheduling: NO

Grading Scale: 4.0

AP/college courses: 5.0

Course schedule: Classes meet five times per week in an 8-period day.
Periods are 48 minutes.

Credits: 0.5 credit for semester course
1.0 credit for year course

GPA and Ranking Information

Rank: UNWEIGHTED

GPA: WEIGHTED

GPA: Covers Grades 9, 10, and 11, all subjects

Grading Scale

A = 93 - 100

D = 70 - 76

B = 85 - 92

F = 00 - 69

C = 77 - 84

School's passing mark: D 70%

Advanced Placement Course Offerings

(Classes offered if sufficient enrollment)

AP English 12 (Literature and Composition)

AP Government and Politics: U.S.

AP U.S. History

AP Calculus AB

AP Physics 1

AP Physics 2

AP Chemistry

AP Psychology

Advanced/College Prep/Highest Level courses:

College Algebra (began 2016-17)
 Level 4 World Language (if sufficient enrollment)
 Advanced English 10
 Advanced English 11
 Advanced Photography
 Advanced Theatre
 Advanced Clay

Dual Enrollment

Students in Grades 9, 10, 11, or 12 may apply to enroll in college or postsecondary technical institutions under South Dakota statute. Students who successfully complete a 3 or 4 credit college course are awarded 0.5 high school credit toward graduation. Grades for Board of Regent college courses are weighted on a 5.0 point scale.

Graduation Requirements

Graduation requirements: 22 units, grades 9-12
 4.0 units of English
 3.0 units of Social Studies
 3.0 units of Mathematics
 3.0 units of Laboratory Science
 1.0 unit of Fine Arts
 1.0 unit of Information/Communications Technology
 1.0 unit of Physical Education (includes Health)
 0.5 unit of Personal Finance/Economics
 1.0 unit of Required Offerings: World Lang. or Capstone Experience /Service Learning or Career & Technical Ed.

Post High School Information

62% attending 4-year colleges
 8% attending 2-year or technical colleges

ACT / SAT Scores

ACT & SAT scores will accompany the student’s high school transcript if the student requested scores be sent to the high school.

Transcript Language

Transcript interpretation codes:

AP Advanced Placement
 PAS Tested Out Passing score - 85% (B)
 (beginning Sept. 2008)
 TST Tested Out Passing score - 85% (B)
 WF Withdraw Fail (F grade)
 College Postsecondary course
 VT Western Dakota Tech course
 * Weighted course
 IS Independent Study
 P Passing grade
 > Course not included in class rank and GPA

2015 – 2016 ACT

251 students of the Class of 2016 took the ACT		
	SCHOOL	STATE
English	21.3	20.9
Mathematics	22.4	21.7
Reading	22.9	22.4
Science	23.3	22.2
Average Composite	22.6	21.9

2015 – 2016 SAT

24 students of the Class of 2016 took the SAT		
	SCHOOL	STATE
Mean Critical Reading	551	572
Mean Math	545	567
Mean Writing	522	542