



Choctawhatchee Senior High School

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2009 COLLEGE ADMISSIONS PROFILE

SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY

Choctawhatchee High School, established in 1953, is one of three comprehensive public high schools in the greater Fort Walton Beach area. The community is located on the Gulf of Mexico in NW Florida, with a population numbering over 171,000. "Choctaw" has a student population of approximately 1800 and attracts an ethnically, racially, and socio-economically diverse student body, 30% of whom come from nearby Eglin Air Force Base and Hurlburt Field. In 2009, the Okaloosa School District was recognized by Gov. Charlie Crist and the Florida Dept. of Education as one of the top school district in Florida for the seventh year in a row.

- ACCREDITATION:** Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
- ENROLLMENT:** 1800 students. Ethnic diversity: Asian 4%; Black 15%; Hispanic 7%; Multi Racial/American Indian 4%; White 70%
- FACULTY:** 3% hold Doctoral Degrees; 2% hold Specialist Degrees; 41% hold Master's Degrees; 54% hold Bachelor's Degrees - 19:1 Student/Faculty ratio
- PROGRAMS:**
- ✓ International Baccalaureate (IB) Program since 1994-95, first graduating class 1997.
 - ✓ Advanced Placement Curriculum (fifteen courses offered)
 - ✓ CHOICE Aviation Institute partnered with Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University offers concurrent high school and college credit
 - ✓ Dual enrollment program with Northwest Florida State College
 - ✓ University of West Florida Joint Program in Computer & Electrical Engineering.
 - ✓ Link Crew – High School Transition Program
 - ✓ English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) Program
 - ✓ Exceptional Student Education (ESE) Program for students with exceptionalities or impairments
 - ✓ Air Force Junior ROTC Program since 1968
 - ✓ Student activities include band, chorus, visual arts, drama, Student Council, Minority Council and others. Sports offered (FL District 1, 4A) include baseball, basketball, cheerleading, cross country, dance team, football, golf, soccer, softball, swimming, tennis, track, weightlifting, wrestling, and volleyball
 - ✓ Vocational program – students attend classes at Okaloosa Applied Technology Center
- SCHOOL YEAR:** Seven credit opportunities in the traditional two-semester school year of 36 weeks (180 days). Other credit opportunities are available through Florida Virtual School.
- CURRICULUM:** Complete University and Technical Prep program (4 year, 24 credits) is outlined below.

Course or requirement	Complete University and Technical Prep Program
English	4 credits
Mathematics	3 credits, one of which is Algebra I or equivalent ^a
Science	3 credits (2 with laboratory component)
Social Studies	1 credit World History 1 credit American History ½ credit American Government ½ credit Economics
Foreign Language	Not required for diploma but required for admission to FL state universities
Practical / Performing Arts	1 credit ^b
Life Management Skills	½ credit ^c
Physical Education	1 credit ^c
Vocational/Technical	n/a
Electives	8 ½ credits ^d
State Assessment Test	Passing score on the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT)
Grade Point Average	Cumulative GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale

^aBeginning in 2007/2008 changes in the curriculum for incoming 9th graders include: ^a4 credits Mathematics to include Algebra I or equivalent; ^b1 credit Fine/Performing Arts; ^c½ credit Personal Fitness plus ½ credit PE or 1 credit HOPE ; ^d8 Elective credits. For more information, please access the Florida Department of Education website at www.fldoe.org

CLASS RANK: Class rank is cumulative, and all courses are included; rank is computed at the end of each semester.

GRADING SYSTEM: A=90-100; B=80-89; C=70-79; D=60-69; F=0-59 (State of Florida Grading Scale):

GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA) CALCULATION:

Unweighted	Weighted	Semi-Weighted**
A = 4 Quality Points	A = 5 Quality Points	A = 4.5 Quality Points
B = 3 Quality Points	B = 4 Quality Points	B = 3.5 Quality Points
C = 2 Quality Points	C = 3 Quality Points	C = 2.5 Quality Points
D = 1 Quality Points	D = 2 Quality Points	D = 1.5 Quality Points

***Beginning with the 2006-2007 school year, incoming freshmen (Class of 2010) will earn quality points on a three tiered scale which awards ½ extra grade point for weighted Honors, Pre-AP or Pre-IB courses and 1 extra grade point for AP, IB or other college level courses.*

COURSES FOR WEIGHTED GRADE POINT AVERAGE

Language Arts	English Honors I, II; AP English Lit & Composition; AP English Language; Pre-IB English I,II; IB English IV
Science	Anatomy/Physiology Honors; Biology Honors I; Biology II; Chemistry I Honors; Physics I Honors; Pre IB Chemistry I; Pre IB Biology I; IB Biology II, III; IB Physics II, III; AP Environmental Science
Mathematics	Geometry Honors; Algebra Honors I, II; Mathematics Analysis; Analytic Geometry; Trigonometry AP Calculus AB and BC; AP Statistics; IB Pre-Calculus; IB Statistics; IB Calculus; IB Math Analysis
Social Studies	Geography Honors; AP Human Geography; AP World History; AP European History; AP U.S. History; AP Macro-Economics; AP U.S. Government; AP Psychology; IB Psychology; IB History of the Americas;
Foreign Language	Pre-IB French I, II; Pre-IB German I, II; Pre-IB Spanish I, II; French III, IV; German III, IV; Spanish III, IV; AP French Language; AP Spanish Language; IB French III, IV; IB Spanish III, IV; IB German III, IV
Electives	Executive Internship; IB Studio Art; IB Theory of Knowledge
Dual Enrollment	Students in grades 10-12 with a 3.5 GPA may enroll at Northwest Florida State College for dual credits.
University Credits	Students enrolled in CHOICE Aviation Institute courses earn dual credits at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical Institute. Students enrolled in Engineering courses earn dual credits at the University of West Florida.

CHOCTAWHATCHEE CLASS OF 2009 PROFILE

Class size: 405

43% of Choctawhatchee High School students are enrolled in at least one AP or IB class.

In May 2009, 691 students were administered 963 AP Exams.

Also in May 2009, 64 students were administered 275 IB Exams.

2009 SAT Scores
CEEB Code: 101605

Mean SAT:	Mean Verbal:	Mean Math:	Mean Writing:
1600	543	548	509

2009 ACT Scores
CEEB Code: 101605

Mean ACT Score:
22.5

Class of 2009 National Merit Scholars:

- 2 National Merit Scholar Finalist
- 3 National Merit Scholar Semi-Finalist
- 1 Commended Scholars

Class of 2009 Florida "Bright Futures" Scholars:

- 48 2009 Florida Academic Scholars
- 101 2009 Florida Medallion Scholars
- 5 2009 Gold Seal Vocational Scholars

Total merit scholarship offers: nearly \$6,200,000

Class of 2009 Post Secondary Plans:

- 38% of Senior Class attends a 4 year college
- 22% of Senior Class attends a 2 year college
- 2% of Senior Class attends a Technical School
- 4% of Senior Class serves in Armed Forces

Class of 2009 Academy Appointments: 2

Class of 2009 ROTC Scholarships: 2

Students with Honors:

Summa Cum Laude, 4.5 and above:	31
Magna Cum Laude, 4.2 – 4.49:	26
Cum Laude, 4.0 – 4.19:	15