



Decatur High School 2009-2010 Academic Profile

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Accreditation: SACS
 Fall 2009 Enrollment:
738

Class of 2010 Enrollment:
168

Class of 2009 Profile:

Attending four year college: **80%**
 Attending two year college: **8%**
 Attending technical school: **1%**
 Military enlistment/work/other: **1%**
 Dual College Prep and Technical Diploma: **49%**
 College Prep Diploma: **50%**
 Technical Diploma **1%**
 Individual Education **9%**
 HOPE Scholarships: **42%**

School Description

Decatur High School is a comprehensive public high school located in Decatur, Georgia, an urban community of about 18,000 residents situated approximately five miles east of downtown Atlanta. Decatur is part of an independent school district within DeKalb County and serves about 2,500 students.

Decatur High School operates on a 4 X 4 block schedule, allowing each student to earn up to 32 Carnegie units toward graduation. Students are required to complete a minimum of 29 units or 31 for the distinction designation. In addition to our college preparatory courses, students supplement their curriculum with Advanced Placement classes, joint-enrollment courses at nearby colleges, internships, and work-study options.

Decatur High School is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Approximately 77% percent of our teachers hold advanced degrees. Decatur High School traditionally exceeds those benchmarks used for calculating academic success. Our standardized test scores on the PSAT, SAT, and Georgia High School Graduation Tests regularly rank above state averages.

Curriculum

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Graduation Requirements</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Language Arts	5 units	
Mathematics	4 units	
Science	4 units	Freshman Physics, Biology, Chemistry and an additional lab science
Social Studies	4 units	Citizenship, World History, U.S. History, Economics
Health & Physical Ed.	1 unit	Personal Fitness – ½ unit; Health – ½ unit
Fine Arts/Tech/Comp. Ed./	1 unit	Any combination
Foreign Language or ROTC or		
Foreign Language	2 units	Required for college-prep and dual diplomas
Technical Units	4 units	Required for Technical and Dual diplomas with 3 units in a concentrated area
<u>Total Required Units</u>	29 units	College Prep, Technical/Career, and Dual diplomas
	31 units	Diploma with distinction

Graduating All Students with a Plan for Success

The Curriculum

Class of 2010 Academic Course Offerings

The standard core curriculum at Decatur High School is taught at the College-Preparatory (CP) level. Advanced (Adv) classes are also offered. Enrollment in Advanced Placement (AP) level is subject to teacher recommendation.

Language Arts	Mathematics	Science
Writer's Workshop (CP,Adv)	Algebra IA (Technical)	Biology (CP,Adv)
9th Grade Lit/Comp (CP,Adv)	Algebra IB (CP)	AP Biology
American Lit/Comp (CP, Adv)	Euclidean Geometry (CP)	Chemistry (CP, Adv)
12 th Lit/Comp, (CP, Adv)	Algebra II (CP,Adv)	AP Chemistry
AP Language & Composition (includes British Lit)	Algebra III (CP)	Freshmen Physics (CP,Adv)
AP Literature & Composition (includes World Lit)	Advanced Algebra/Trigonometry (CP)	Physics II
Adv. Comp/Creative Writing	Analysis/Pre Calculus (Adv)	Forensic Science
Journalism (I, II, III, IV) - on a competitive basis	Statistics	Anatomy & Physiology
Yearbook (I, II, III, IV)	Calculus	AP Environmental Science
	AP Calculus AB /AP Calculus BC	Food Science
	AP Statistics	

Social Studies	Foreign Language	Elective Offerings
Citizenship (CP, Adv)	French I (CP)	Band
World History (CP, Adv)	French II (CP)	AP Music
U.S. History (CP, Adv)	French III	Drama/ Chorus
Economics (CP, Adv)	French IV	Graphic Arts
AP American Government	French V	Drafting/Architecture
AP US History	German I (CP)	Accounting/Finance
AP World History	German II (CP)	Computer Applications/Web Design
AP Psychology	Latin I (CP)	Art/ Photography
AP Macroeconomics	Latin II (CP)	Teaching Internship
	Spanish I (CP)	JROTC
	Spanish II (CP)	Construction
	Spanish III	Business
	Spanish IV	Early Childhood Education
	Spanish V	Family & Consumer Science
		Broadcast Video Production
		Physical Education/Health
		*Certified Nursing Assistant Program
		*Criminal Justice
		* Joint enrolled program with DeKalb Technical College

AP Results from May 2009

Course	Total Students	5	4	3	2	1	Mean
Biology	19	1	5	4	5	4	2.68
Calculus AB	17	0	0	2	2	13	1.35
Calculus BC	16	0	1	2	3	10	1.63
Chemistry	21	1	3	9	7	1	2.81
Econ-Macro	18	3	7	3	2	3	3.28
Eng. Lang/Comp	53	5	15	14	13	6	3.0
Eng. Lit/Comp	39	4	17	13	5	0	3.51
Env. Science	17	1	4	6	2	4	2.76
Govt & Pol US	37	5	13	14	2	3	3.41
Human Geo.	1	1	0	0	0	0	5.0
Music Theory	14	0	0	1	2	11	1.23
Psychology	39	3	10	4	9	13	2.51
Spanish Lang	1	1	0	0	0	0	5.0
Statistics	36	0	2	8	16	10	2.06
US History	41	1	5	15	14	6	2.54
World History	78	2	10	25	27	14	2.47



ACT Profile

English

21.6

Math

21.2

Reading

22.2

Science

21.5

Composite

21.7

Total Test Takers: 83

Grading Scale

A	90—100
B	80—89
C	75—79
D	70—74
F	0—69

* When using the 4.0 grading scale, 1 point is added to AP courses in the calculation of weighted cumulative grade point averages.

College Entrance Examinations

Mid-50% of SAT I Scores:

Critical Reading: 540 Math: 510 Writing: 530

Mean

Critical Reading: 541 Math: 523 Writing: 513

Total Number of Students Who Took the Test: 131

SAT II Subject Test Scores

Test	Number Tested	Mean	Test	Number Tested	Mean
Biology Ecol	3		Math Level 2	8	713
Biology Mol	7	717	Spanish	1	
Chemistry	2		US History	10	627
Literature	13	704	World History	2	
Math Level I	5	632			

College Acceptances Class of 2009

Alabama A&M	Duke University	Kenyon University	St Andrews College
Alabama State	Earlham College	Lafayette University	St. Edwards University
Albany State	Eckerd College	Long Island University	Stanford University
American University	Elon University	Loomis Chafee School	Swarthmore College
Appalachian State	Embry-Riddle	Louisiana State University	Talladega College
Arizona State Univ.	Emory @ Oxford	Loyola College	The Art Institute of Atlanta
Armstrong Atlantic	Emory University	Macalester College	Tulane University
Auburn University	Fisk University	Marist College	Tuskegee University
Augusta State University	Florida Institute of Technology	Maryland Institute College of Art	Univ. of Richmond
Bard College	Florida State University	Massachusetts College of Art	Univ. of Alaska
Bates College	Fordham University	Mercer University	Univ. of Arkansas
Bennett College	Furman University	Miles College	Univ. of California- Santa Cruz
Berklee College of Music	GA Tech-Savannah	Mount Hermon School	Univ. of Georgia
Berry College	Georgia College & State Univ.	Mount Holyoke College	Univ. of Mississippi
Birmingham Southern	Georgia Institute of Technology	Mt. Mary's College	Univ. of New Mexico
Bloomfield College	Georgia Perimeter College	Northwestern University	Univ. of North Carolina- Chapel Hill
Boston University	Georgia Southern University	NYCC-SB	Univ. of North Carolina Greenboro
Brenau University	Georgia State University	Oberlin College	Univ. of NC School of the Arts
Brown University	Gordon College	Oglethorpe College	Univ. of North Carolina- Will.
Bryant College	Greensboro College	Ohio Wesleyan University	Univ. of Pittsburgh
California College of Arts	Grinnell College	Oxford College of Emory	Univ. of Richmond
Carleton College	Guilford College	Parsons School of Design	Univ. of South Carolina
Case Western	Hampton University	Pfeiffer University	Univ. of Tampa
Center College	Harvard University	Presbyterian College	Univ. of Texas-Austin
Clark Atlanta	Harvey Mudd Univ.	Queens Univ. of Charlotte	Univ. of the Pacific
Clayton College	Hendricks College	Reinhardt College	Univ. of Toronto
Clemson University	Hiram College	Rhodes College	Univ. of Virginia
College of Charleston	Hobart and William Smith Colleges	Rice University	Univ. of Washington
College of Wooster	Jacksonville State University	San Diego State Univ.	Ursinus College
Columbia Coll.(Chicago)	Jacksonville University	Savannah Coll. of Art and Design	Valdosta State University
Columbia University	James Madison University	Savannah State University	Vorhees College
Columbus State	Johns Hopkins University	School of the Arts Inst of Chicago	West Georgia College
Cornell University	Johnson and Wales University	Sewanee: The Univ. of the South	West Virginia University
Davidson College	Kennesaw State University	South Carolina State	Western Carolina University
Dekalb Technical College	Kent State University	Southern Polytechnic	Yale University
Devry University			Young Harris College
Drexel University			

