

MAINE TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 207



OVERVIEW

Acknowledged to be among the nation's most innovative school districts, Maine Township High School District 207's three comprehensive high schools are at the forefront of three important advancements in public education. District 207 is a pioneer in cloud-based 1:1 computing, becoming Google's first K-12 partner; the District is perhaps the only in America in which every teacher has an annual instructional coaching plan in addition to one of the nation's best adult learning programs; and students and families benefit from the District's reimagined student career advisement program where authentic experiences and analytics provide "Return On Investment" perspectives for students and parents that has become a model for other schools across the country.



About District 207

District 207 is made up of three high schools that are consistently ranked among the best in the country as evidenced by the numerous awards and honors bestowed upon the school district and its schools. More importantly, the student performance at all three schools is the highest it's ever been in District history on every meaningful measure. In particular, the highest percentage of District students are successfully accessing the District's most challenging curriculum, including college courses taught on the three campuses.

Personal Learning and Personalized Service For Students

District 207's unprecedented commitment to supporting teachers professionally sets the foundation for the best possible personal learning conditions for each student. In addition, the District's Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS) includes a daily "Early Warning" system to track students in real time in order to provide support as needed for social, emotional, learning or behavioral issues. When students need assistance, teams of professionals (academic, social, emotional and behavioral) provide support, feedback and follow through to help each student achieve his or her best.

Unique Coaching Program

District 207 employs student-focused educators who are supported through a unique coaching program

designed to ensure all teachers are learning and growing in their craft. For years, District 207 has been providing yearlong, instructional coaching for every teacher. The District's graduating class of 2018 was likely the first class in the country whose teachers for all four years had instructional coaching and a personalized coaching plan for the sole purpose of improving learning conditions for students. This "all-in" approach is supported by the Chicago Coaching Center, which the District started and operates, and advances instructional coaching in Illinois and beyond. The single greatest variable within any school's control is the quality of teaching in each classroom. In this arena, District 207 is truly a national leader.

Technology Leader

District 207 was Google's first K-12 partner and is a pioneer in 1:1, cloud-based computing. This leadership is one of the reasons the District became Google's first elementary and secondary school district Google Apps for Education partner. Today, all students use Chromebooks, learning through virtual reality software and cutting edge technology as part of internships with local businesses and organizations. The District is a frequent beta test site for software developers because of its history of innovation in teaching, coaching and instructional technology. In addition, the District is a Google "Reference" District for its "excellence and thought leadership in innovative use of technology."

OVERVIEW NUMBERS:

1085

COMPOSITE SAT

21

CLASS SIZE

86%

POSTSECONDARY

314

EXTRACURRICULARS

6

CAREER PATHWAYS

32

AP COURSES

22

DUAL CREDIT

Cutting Edge Career Advisement

No issue is more important to today's high school students than advanced career advisement. District 207 utilizes a multi-pronged system that provides a "Return on Investment" perspective. The District 207 career advisement program is designed so each student can deeply explore careers and develop a match that pays a livable wage **before** deciding on a post high school education path. Employing analytic tools that track the local and U.S. job markets in real time, the approach provides powerful information to students and parents. Additionally, the District has nearly 600 business partners that provide on site career experiences including internships. This approach provides robust support for each student to find a path that best suits them while developing each student into a powerful learner equipped to meet the challenges of a changing world. Once students have decided on a career path, analytic tools are employed to help them find an educational path that allows them to move into viable careers without inordinate debt.

District 207 schools offer more than 340 courses (about 60 college courses) spread over 18 academic areas. Each course is developed with preparation for both college and career in mind. In addition, each course will include at least one authentic career exploration activity to increase the power of the work the District is doing on behalf of students.

District 207 Named One of the "Most Innovative School Districts" in U.S.

District 207 was one of 25 school districts in the U.S. in 2018 to be honored by AASA as one of the "Most Innovative School Districts" for its unique approaches to expand and support teacher learning and student success both during and after high school.

US News & World Report tabs District 207 for "Best High Schools"

Only 182 Illinois high schools made the news magazine's 2018 list of "Best High Schools" and Maine East and Maine West were among those schools. US News utilizes a four-step process involving graduate rates, college readiness, exam performance compared to statistical expectations and the relative test performance of disadvantaged students.

All Schools on Washington Post "Most Challenging" List

Maine Township High School District 207 schools earned spots among the nation's best high schools on the most recent rankings compiled by The Washington Post for "Most Challenging" high schools in the U.S. The honor is based upon the the number of Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate and Advanced International Certificate of Education tests given at a school each year compared to the number of graduates.

District 207's Commitment to Each Student

District 207 is privileged to serve nine communities to meet the needs of each student in the District. More and more, parents are aware of the compelling difference a District 207 education provides for their children. New families annually attend the District's schools because of the accessibility of the communities and the world-class high school education available in District 207. That commitment is a part of the District's mission and ethos.



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