

# HOMESTEAD HIGH SCHOOL profile

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Homestead High School is the only high school in Aboite Township. Having a diverse population, it is in an urban-fringe community, located in the southwest corner of Allen County. Homestead is a four-year comprehensive public high school with an enrollment of 2,345 students. It is accredited by the Indiana Department of Education and AdvancED. Homestead's school year consists of two 18-week semesters. The majority of students are enrolled in seven, 45-minute class periods each semester, with nearly 220 senior students participating in a college block schedule.

**MISSION:** *Preparing today's learners  
for tomorrow's opportunities.*

**HONORS/AP COURSES** Homestead High School offers 20 Honors and 17 Advanced Placement courses that provide opportunities for students to select rigorous coursework. With guidance from counselors and faculty, students are encouraged to take these college-level courses that offer rigorous examination of many subjects.

**DUAL ENROLLMENT** Numerous opportunities are available to take dual credit courses on the Homestead High School campus. Homestead offers over 50 dual credit opportunities on Homestead's campus. Juniors and seniors may take courses at local universities.

**SPECIAL EDUCATION** As a leader in the concept of inclusion, Southwest Allen County Schools provides comprehensive services to qualifying students.

**IMPACT SCHOOL** Impact is an alternative high school program offering a different approach to learning with a nontraditional, career-oriented curriculum in a creatively structured environment.

**TECHNOLOGY** Homestead High School is a well-known national leader in the implementation of technology for teaching and learning. Homestead is committed to providing students with varied and advanced opportunities related to technology through a diverse list of course offerings.

**CAREER EDUCATION** Two cooperative education programs, Marketing Education and Interdisciplinary Cooperative Education, allow seniors to incorporate work experience into their academic plans. Students interested in technical and career-specific skills to prepare for such careers as automotive, aviation technology, child care, computers, construction, cosmetology, emergency services, health care, hospitality services and industrial technology may enroll at the Anthis Career Center.

**COMMUNICATIONS** Journalism students publish and produce the school's award-winning newspaper and yearbook. Students are provided with the opportunity to study broadcast journalism through radio and television classes and involvement in the school's radio station, WCYT 91.1 FM.

**VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS** Homestead offers a wide array of courses allowing for the exploration of the arts. Drawing, photography, sculpture, painting, and the theatre program are some of its specialized areas. The music department encompasses marching band, jazz band, orchestra, choral programs, and dance performance.

**GRADUATION EXAM** According to the Indiana Department of Education, students must pass the Graduation Qualifying Exam (GQE) to graduate. Homestead consistently scores in the top 10% in the state.

## STATISTICS FOR THE CLASS OF 2019

SAT Scores (421 Tested)	Total Score	Math	EB Reading/Writing
Homestead	1162	579	583
Indiana	1080	537	543
National	1059	528	531

ACT Scores (231 Tested)	Eng.	Math	Read.	Sci.	Comp.
Homestead	24.1	25.0	25.4	24.4	24.9
Indiana	21.7	22.3	23.1	22.2	22.5
National	20.1	20.6	21.3	20.8	20.8

Post Secondary Plans	# of Students	% of Students
Pursue higher education	500	94.34%
Four-year college	456	86.04%
Two-year/vocational college	44	8.30%
Military	13	2.45%
Not Pursuing Higher Ed	13	2.45%

Scholastic Achievements	# of Students	Achievements Cont.	# of Students
National Merit Scholars	3	AP Scholars with Distinction	34
National Merit Finalists	4	AP Scholars with Honor	15
National Merit Semifinalists	5	AP Scholars	33
National Merit Commended	7	Honor Diploma Recipients	280
National Merit Achievement Finalist		Core 40 Recipients	213
National AP Scholars			



## GRADING SCALE

Grade point averages (GPA) are based on a 4.33-point scale and course weighting is applied. All courses are included in the cumulative grade average. The 2015-2016 grading scale was approved by the Southwest Allen County Schools Board of Trustees in April 2015. Homestead does not publish class rank.

Letter grade	Range prior to 2015-2016	Range starting in 2015-2016	GPA value
A+	100-98	100-98	4.333
A	97-95	97-93	4.000
A-	94-92	92-90	3.667
B+	91-89	89-87	3.333
B	88-86	86-83	3.000
B-	85-83	82-80	2.667
C+	82-80	79-77	2.333
C	79-77	76-73	2.000
C-	76-74	72-70	1.667
D+	73-71	69-67	1.333
D	70-68	66-63	1.000
D-	67-65	62-60	.667
F	64-0	59-0	0

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## ADVANCED COURSE OFFERINGS

Homestead offers 20 Honors and 17 Advanced Placement courses.

### MATHEMATICS

Honors Algebra II  
Honors Precalculus  
Honors Trigonometry  
Adv. Math Statistics: Honors Precalculus w/ Discrete  
Honors Calculus  
Advanced Placement Calculus AB  
Advanced Placement Calculus BC  
Advanced Placement Statistics

### ENGLISH

Honors English 9  
Honors English 10  
Advanced Placement Literature  
Advanced Placement Composition

### SOCIAL STUDIES

Advanced Placement World History  
Advanced Placement United States History  
Honors Government  
Advanced Placement Government  
Honors Economics  
Advanced Placement Microeconomics  
Advanced Placement Macroeconomics  
Advanced Placement Psychology  
Honors Psychology  
Honors US History

### SCIENCE

Honors Biology  
Advanced Placement Biology  
Honors Chemistry  
Advanced Placement Chemistry  
Advanced Placement Physics C: Mechanics  
Advanced Placement Physics C: Elec. & Magnetism  
Advanced Placement Environmental Science

### FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Honors German IV  
Honors French IV and V  
Honors Spanish IV and V  
Honors French IV and V

### ART

Advanced Placement Studio Art  
Advanced Study in Sculpture, Painting, Jewelry, Drawing,  
Ceramics, Computer Graphics

### Starting in 2015-2016, Homestead adopted course weighting as follows:

*Honors, Dual Credit and PLTW III/IV receive additional 0.5 additional point while AP receives 1.0 point on a 4.33 scale.*

# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

## CORE 40 DIPLOMA

English 8 credits  
Math 6 credits  
(Min. Alg. I, II and Geo.)  
(Quantitative Reasoning each year)  
Science 6 credits  
(Req.: Biology and Chemistry, ICP or Physics)  
Social Studies 6 credits  
Phys. Ed. 2 credits  
Health 1 credit  
Electives 11 credits  
40 total credits

## CORE 40 W/ ACADEMIC HONORS

English 8 credits  
Math 8 credits  
(Progressing through Adv Math ST: AMA and Precal w/Trig)  
Science 6 credits  
(Req.: Biology and Chemistry, ICP or Physics)  
Phys. Ed. 2 credits  
Health 1 credit  
World Lang 6-8 credits  
(6 credits of one language or 4 credits of two)  
Fine Arts 2 credits  
Electives 6-8 credits  
(No grade may be lower than a C-)  
47 total credits

Complete one of the following:

- AP courses (4 credits) w/ corresponding exams
- Dual Credit Courses (6 credits)
- AP courses (2 credits) w/ corresponding exams AND Dual Credit Courses (3 credits)
- 1200 SAT (CR/M or 26 ACT composite)

*Core 40 w/ Technical Honors Diploma also available.*

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