

ENDURING EXCELLENCE



2015-2016 Learning Community Profile



OUR LEARNING COMMUNITY

New Albany, Ohio is approximately 20 miles northeast of Columbus, and our schools are located on a central Learning Campus in the heart of the Village. The school district serves an area of 26 square miles. New Albany is both one of the oldest and one of the newest communities in Central Ohio. It was founded in 1837 and remained primarily a rural village for nearly 150 years before significant residential and commercial growth arrived.



Unlike some suburban communities that are sprawling with unregulated growth, New Albany is seeking to develop as a “balanced” community, a 21st Century village in which its 10,000 residents, business enterprises, developers, government entities, and schools share a common vision. Partnerships are key elements in community growth.

New Albany is home to a diverse group of people, traveling here from around the country and around the globe. New Albany is an evolving and developing business environment, and many families have chosen to live in the community because of the commitment to education. Our unique Learning Community values and embraces lifelong learning and cultural opportunities for all.

OUR SCHOOL DISTRICT

New Albany - Plain Local Schools is a consistent performer earning the maximum of indicators on the state report card issued by the Ohio Department of Education (ODE). Due to a change in assessment in the 2014-15 school year, assessment data will not be available until December of 2015. Even though our district is in the top 10% of districts in the State of Ohio, we continue to pursue even higher levels of excellence. The district’s Index score has steadily risen every year, demonstrating our constant pursuit of raising student achievement.

The district’s buildings are designed in a Georgian Architectural, campus-style complex on 120 acres, connected by tree-lined walkways, and surrounded by an 80 acre nature preserve. From our “Jeffersonian” Library-Information and student center on the high school campus green, to the adjoining Environmental Land Lab, the Learning Community Campus is as unique as it is functional, creating outstanding educational opportunities.

The District opened its newest facility in 2015, completing the campus as it accommodates district growth until the year 2021. The 150,000 square foot innovative learning facility houses students’ grades 2-8 in its first fully occupied year, but also provides opportunities for student learning K-12 through STEM and other various labs. Another recent addition to the campus is the MIT Fabrication Lab, acquired through grant funding which opened on the campus in 2014-15. It features college level coursework beginning fall of 2015.

There are more than 4,800 students in the district, served by some 300 faculty and 200 staff members. Parent involvement and community support are integral to the success of our nationally recognized, award- winning school district. We strive to promote strong connections between the school and community, and — most importantly — establish education as our top priority, today and for the future.

OUR HIGH SCHOOL

New Albany High School (NAHS) is a four-year comprehensive high school accredited by the Ohio Department of Education and is recognized as one of the top 500 High Schools in the country by Newsweek Magazine. New Albany High School is designated as a Blue Ribbon School of Excellence by the US Department of Education, is one of six high schools nationally to receive the 21st Century Award of Distinction, and is a National Lighthouse School. Our school has achieved one of the highest Performance Indexes in the State of Ohio last year.

Nearly all of our 1,300 high school students belong to a club or organization, and 67% of our students are also involved in athletics or a music program. NAHS provides numerous leadership opportunities including those within our house system. We are proud of our innovative scheduling components and educational opportunities that include: Senior Seminar – an in-depth capstone learning project that must be completed to graduate; College Credit Plus offerings, access to the MIT Fabrication Lab and blended learning course opportunities combining online and face to face instruction. Collaboration with our local Government and businesses provides students with authentic learning experiences and internship opportunities as we grow our vision of a Professional Learning Community.



April Domine, Ed.D., *Superintendent*
Mr. Dwight Carter, *Principal*
Mr. Steve Gehlert, *Assistant Principal*
Mrs. Stefanie Drugan, *College Counselor*

Mrs. Jill Cuthbert, *School Counselor*
Mrs. Julie Horning, *School Counselor*
Mrs. Margie Thompson, *School Counselor*
Ms. Audra Wheeler, *School Counselor*

School Code: 363630

New Albany High School
web site: www.napls.us/high/

OUR CURRICULUM

Graduation Requirements

Each student is required to complete twenty-one (21) credits in order to graduate. Seventeen (17) are required courses while the remaining are student chosen electives. All required courses are rigorous college preparatory coursework taught by a dedicated, dynamic staff. Required units include:

- English 4 units
- Social Studies 4 units
- Wellness / PE 1 unit
- Senior Seminar 1 unit
- Math 4 units
- Science 3 units
- Business/Arts 1 unit

The Humanities at New Albany High School

The Humanities are alive and well at New Albany High School. All New Albany students complete a rigorous Introduction to the Humanities course in their freshman year. This course combines one (1) English credit and one (1) World History credit in one class which meets for two class periods each day. Honors Western Humanities is offered at the tenth grade level and KAP American Humanities (Kenyon Academic Partnership) is offered at the eleventh grade. The importance of writing, critical thinking, and developing an appreciation for ideas from the past are ingrained into our Humanities, English, and Social Studies curricula. We are committed to an education based in the Humanities.

AP Course Offerings

- American History
- Art Portfolio
- Biology
- Calculus AB
- Calculus BC
- Chemistry
- Computer Science A
- Economics
- English Language (AP English 11)
- English Literature (AP English 12)
- Environmental Science
- European History
- Government
- Physics
- Physics 1
- Physics 1 and 2
- Psychology
- Spanish
- Statistics

All students who select an AP course are expected to take the AP exam.

Honors Course Offerings

- A Cappella Choir
- Actor's Studio
- Algebra 2
- Biology
- Chamber Orchestra
- Chemistry
- English 10, 11, and 12
- French 4
- French 5
- Geometry
- German 4
- German 5
- History of Art
- Pre-Calculus
- Spanish 5
- Western Humanities
- Wind Ensemble

Most students in Honors History of Art will also take the AP Art History exam.

KAP Course Offerings

- KAP American Humanities
- KAP Art History
- KAP Law
- KAP Ethics

KAP courses (Kenyon Academic Partnership courses) are concurrent enrollment classes with Kenyon College. These courses are considered college level courses and receive both high school and college credit. KAP courses are weighted by a factor of 1.2, similar to AP level coursework and provide equal rigor.

OSUP Course Offering

- OSUP Spanish 4

OSUP courses are taught at New Albany High School via a live video feed with a class at Ohio State University. These courses receive Ohio State credit and are weighted by NAHS by a factor of 1.2, similar to AP level coursework and provide equal rigor.

Course Designations

AP = Advanced Placement
(weighted by a multiplication factor of 1.2)

OSUP = Ohio State course (weighted by a multiplication factor of 1.2)

KAP = Kenyon Academic Partnership concurrent enrollment courses (weighted by a multiplication factor of 1.2)

HON = Honors (weighted by a multiplication factor of 1.1)

GRADING

New Albany High School has a rigorous curriculum. Grade Point Averages are calculated on a 4.0 Scale. AP and Honors courses receive additional weighting as listed below. **Class Rank is not reported.**

WEIGHTED GRADES

Grades earned in Honors and AP classes are weighted as follows:

AP: Weighting Factor = GPA pts. x 1.2

OSUP: Weighting Factor = GPA pts. x 1.2

KAP: Weighting Factor = GPA pts. x 1.2

Honors: Weighting Factor = GPA pts. x 1.1

All Summa Cum Laude graduates (4.0 and above) are considered Class Valedictorians.

CUMULATIVE WEIGHTED GPAs

(through end of junior year)

GPA	Number	% of class
4.51-4.00	56	17%
3.99-3.50	94	30%
3.49-3.00	62	20%
2.99-2.50	50	16%
2.49-2.00	36	11%
1.99 and below	20	6%

GRADE SCALE

	2015-2016	2014-2015	
A+	(97 – 100)	(98 – 100)	4.00 pts.
A	(93 – 96)	(95 – 97)	4.00 pts.
A-	(90 – 92)	(92 – 94)	3.67 pts.
B+	(87 – 89)	(89 – 91)	3.33 pts.
B	(83 – 86)	(86 – 88)	3.00 pts.
B-	(80 – 82)	(83 – 85)	2.67 pts.
C+	(77 – 79)	(80 – 82)	2.33 pts.
C	(73 – 76)	(77 – 79)	2.00 pts.
C-	(70 – 72)	(74 – 76)	1.67 pts.
D+	(67 – 69)	(74 – 76)	1.33 pts.
D	(63 – 66)	(68 – 70)	1.00 pt.
D-	(60 – 62)	(65 – 67)	0.67 pt.
F	(00 – 59)	(00 – 64)	0 pts.
T	Transfer Credit		



TESTING RESULTS: CLASS OF 2015

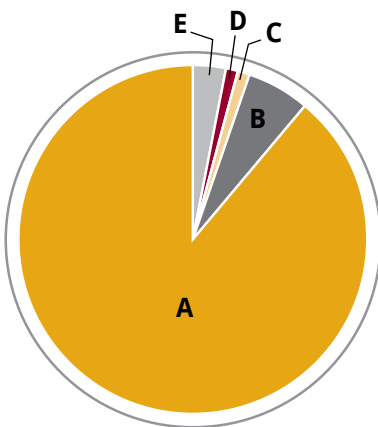
Test	NAHS Middle 50%	Ohio Avg.	Nat. Avg.
ACT	21-29	22.0	21.0
SAT-Critical Reading	510-640	557	495
SAT-Math	510-660	563	511
SAT-Writing	490-610	537	484

92% of the 321 graduating 2015 seniors at New Albany High School took one or more college entrance tests. Our scores have increased over the past ten years and are well above state and national averages.

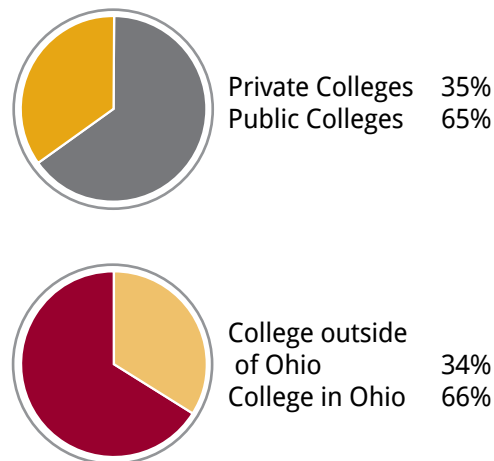
POST-HIGH SCHOOL PLANS

The Class of 2015 elected to do the following upon graduation:

- A. Attend 4-year college 88%
- B. Attend 2-year colleges 6%
- C. Direct Employment 1%
- D. Military 1%
- E. Undecided 3%



Students attending four-year schools:



NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARS

	2015	2014	2013	2012
Semi-Finalist	4	3	4	7
Commended	5	9	10	9
Achievement		1	1	

EDUCATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

Arts Programming



Arts Education is a growing component of the school district's curriculum, beginning in kindergarten and continuing through high school. New Albany Middle School is enjoying a blossoming band, orchestra, and choir program. NAHS has a theatre program utilizing the Jeanne B. McCoy Community Center for the Arts. Students are provided many opportunities in the visual arts to celebrate their work through contests and community art shows. Celebrations are also held throughout

the year featuring student performances for diversity celebrations, such as Black History Month, Hispanic Heritage Month, "Spread the Word to End the Word" and others.

Technology



The Learning Campus computer network is as large as many mid-sized Columbus businesses. Many resources are available to students and teachers, from collaborative learning environments to curriculum specific software and adaptive services for our special needs students. The district also launched the Bring Your Learning Technology (BYLT) initiative in 2012, enabling students to bring devices from home or utilize school provided devices for classroom work while learning

the principals of digital citizenship. All district students meet state technology proficiency guidelines by 8th grade. Our classroom instruction is supported by anytime, anyplace, on-line digital resources, including teacher portals and ProjectRISE, our new technology blended learning grant which was successfully implemented with 10 high school offerings.

Woodland Nature Preserve



There are 80 acres of woodlands, wetlands, ponds, streams, and meadows on and adjacent to the K-12 Learning Campus. The nature preserve is the cornerstone of New Albany's award-winning Environmental Science Program. This nature preserve is also an extension of every classroom and a key component of our curricular goals in such areas as environmental stewardship, local history, interpretive writing, weather, geology, biology, math, and art. Recycled materials and solar

lighting have been used on nature trails utilized by students as well as the community. In addition to the nature preserve opportunities, the new learning facility will also feature green roofs and outdoor environmental laboratories for student use.

Senior Seminar and Internships



Senior Seminar is a graduation requirement for all New Albany High School students. It is a performance-based course that provides an arena in which students demonstrate K-12 cumulative learning and skills. Students are encouraged to go beyond the traditional school setting for this experience, and an exhibition of their work is presented to an audience. Some examples have been constructing a wildlife observatory, writing

and performing original music, and creating an event that raises money for childhood cancer research. Each senior also has the opportunity to participate in an internship as a culminating activity before graduation.



SPORTS

Fall

Football
Boys Soccer
Girls Soccer
Boys Cross Country
Girls Cross Country
Boys Golf
Girls Golf
Girls Field Hockey
Girls Tennis
Girls Volleyball
Cheerleading

Winter

Boys Basketball
Girls Basketball
Ice Hockey
Wrestling
Boys Swimming
Girls Swimming
Cheerleading

Spring

Boys Track
Girls Track
Boys Lacrosse
Girls Lacrosse
Baseball
Softball
Boys Tennis

CLUBS

American Music
AP European History Club
Bridge
Chess
Comic Book/Anime
Cooking Club
Eagle Ambassadors
EPL (English Premiere League)
Future Educators
Gay Straight Alliance
German
Habitat for Humanity
History Documentary Film Club
International Thespian Society
Key Club
Law Enforcement
Military Service Exploration
Model United Nations
National Honor Art
Newspaper Club
Peer Buddies
Science Olympiad
Spanish
TEDxNewAlbany
Walk and Talk Fitness Club
Weight Training
Youth to Youth

HIGH SCHOOL VISITS

College admission representatives are always welcome to visit New Albany High School. Please direct all requests for visits to Stefanie Drugan at (614) 413-8306.

ADMISSIONS STATEMENT

New Albany High School is a member of the National Association for College Admission Counseling and of the College Board. We fully endorse the Statement of Good Practices as adopted by NACAC and Ohio ACAC.

Members of the Class of 2015 were accepted to 255 colleges and universities. To view more detailed information about New Albany High School, please visit www.napls.us.

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES and MATRICULATIONS (bold) 2015

Alabama A&M University
 Alfred University
Allegheny College
 American University
 Ancilla College
 Arcadia University
Arizona State University
Art Academy of Cincinnati
Asbury University
Ashland University
 Auburn University
Baldwin Wallace University
Ball State University
 Barton College
Belmont University
 Bennington College
 Bentley University
Blinn College
 Boston College
Boston University
Bowling Green State University
Bradford School
Bradley University
Brigham Young University
Brigham Young University, Idaho
Brooklyn College of the CUNY
Brown University
 Butler University
 California State University, Fullerton
 California State University, Long Beach
Capital University
Carnegie Mellon University
Case Western Reserve University
 Cedarville University
Central Ohio Technical College
 Central State University
 Centre College
 Chapman University
 Claflin University
 Clemson University
Coastal Carolina University
College of Charleston
College of the Canyons
College of Wooster
 Colorado State University
Columbus College of Art and Design
Columbus State Community College
Columbus State University
Cuyahoga Community College
 Dartmouth College
Davidson College
 Defiance College
Denison University
DePaul University
 DePauw University
DeVry University
 Dickinson College
 Drew University
 Drexel University
Eastern Kentucky University
 Eastern Michigan University
 Eckerd College
 Elmira College
Elon University

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
 Emerson College
 Emory & Henry College
 Emory University
 Evangel University
 Florida Atlantic University
 Florida Institute of Technology
Florida Southern College
Florida State University
 Fordham University
 Furman University
 Gannon University
 George Mason University
George Washington University
 Georgia Institute of Technology
 Gettysburg College
 Goucher College
Hamilton College, New York
Hampton University
 Hardin-Simmons University
Harvard University
Harvey Mudd College
 High Point University
 Hiram College
 Hobart and William Smith Colleges
Hocking College
 Howard University
 Indiana Tech
Indiana University at Bloomington
Ithaca College
 James Madison University
 John Carroll University
 Johns Hopkins University
Kent State University
Kentucky Wesleyan College
 Kenyon College
 Knox College
 Lake Erie College
 Lake Forest College
Lawrence University
Lee University
 Loyola University Chicago
Loyola University Maryland
Lynn University
Marietta College
 Marquette University
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
 McMaster University
Mercer University
 Mercyhurst University
 Methodist University
Miami University, Oxford
 Michigan State University
 Monmouth University
Morehead State University
 Morehouse College
Mount Carmel College of Nursing
 Mount St. Joseph University
 Murray State University
Muskingum University
New York University
 North Carolina A&T State University
 North Carolina State University

Northeast Ohio Medical University
 Northeastern University
Northern Kentucky University
 Northwest State Community College
Notre Dame College of Ohio
Oakwood University
 Occidental College
Ohio Dominican University
 Ohio Northern University
 Ohio State University
Ohio State University, Newark
Ohio University
Ohio University, Pickerington
Ohio Wesleyan University
Oral Roberts University
 Oregon State University
Otterbein University
 Pennsylvania State University, Erie:
 The Behrend College
 Pennsylvania State University,
 University Park
 Pratt Institute
Princeton University
Purdue University
 Queen's University
 Queens University of Charlotte
 Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rhodes College
 Roanoke College
 Rochester Institute of Technology
Rollins College
 Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
 Saint Louis University
Santa Clara University
Sarah Lawrence College
 Savannah College of Art and Design
 School of the Art Institute of Chicago
Shawnee State University
 Southern Methodist University
 Southern State Community College
 Southern Univ. and A&M College
 St. Louis College of Pharmacy
Stetson University
 Syracuse University
 Tennessee Wesleyan College
 Texas Christian University
 Texas Southern University
 Thomas More College
Tiffin University
Tulane University
Union College
United States Military Academy - Army
University of Akron
University of Alabama
University of Arizona
 University of California, Berkeley
 University of California, Davis
 University of California, Irvine
 University of California, Los Angeles
University of California, Riverside
 University of California, San Diego
 University of California, Santa Barbara
 University of California, Santa Cruz
 University of Central Florida
University of Cincinnati
University of Cincinnati Blue Ash/ Clermont College
 University of Colorado at Boulder
 University of Connecticut
University of Dayton
University of Denver
 University of East Anglia
 University of Evansville
University of Georgia
 University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
 University of Iowa
University of Kansas
University of Kentucky
 University of Leeds
 University of Massachusetts, Amherst
 University of Massachusetts, Lowell
University of Miami
University of Michigan
University of Mississippi
University of Missouri Columbia
University of Mount Union
 University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
 University of North Carolina at Charlotte
 University of North Carolina at Greensboro
 University of North Carolina at Wilmington
 University of North Texas
University of Notre Dame
 University of Oregon
 University of Pikeville
 University of Pittsburgh
 University of Rhode Island
 University of Richmond
 University of Rochester
University of South Carolina
 University of Southern California
University of St. Andrews
 University of Tampa
 University of the Pacific
University of Toledo
 University of Toronto
 University of Vermont
 University of Washington
 University of Waterloo
 Valparaiso University
Vanderbilt University
 Virginia Tech
 Washington and Jefferson College
 Washington College
 Washington University in St. Louis
 West Virginia University
West Virginia University, Institute of Technology
 Western University
 Wheaton College, MA
 Wilmington College
Wittenberg University
 Wofford College
Woodbury University
Wright State University
Xavier University
 Youngstown State University

TOTAL Admitted 255 Colleges

TOTAL Colleges that students will attend - 112

OUR MISSION

To ensure the development of high-achieving, ethical, self-directed, and intellectually curious citizens of the world.



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