



Ponderosa High School

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“Proud, Productive, Proven”

OUR SCHOOL

Accredited: 1984
Founded: 1983
School Type: A four-year comprehensive public school
Location: Parker, southern suburb of Denver
Schedule: Two semester calendar
Accreditation: Colorado Department of Education
Enrollment: 1357

Newsweek's top 500 High Schools and **US News and World Report's** top 300 High Schools

PONDEROSA ADMINISTRATION

Interim Principal, Tim Ottmann tfottmann@dcsdk12.org
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PONDEROSA COUNSELORS

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FACULTY AND STAFF

83 state certified instructors, counselors, professional staff and administrators. The majority hold masters or doctoral degrees. There are 31 support staff members.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

AP Course Offerings/Concurrent Enrollment (33+):
Art History Environmental Science PC Applications
Automotive Early Childhood Ed Photography
Biology European History Physics C
Business French Psychology
Calculus AB Graphic Design Sculpture
Calculus BC Human Geography Spanish
Ceramics Infant & Toddler Dev t Statistics
Chemistry Jewelry US Government
College Math Language & Comp. US History
College Prep English Marketing
Drawing & Painting

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES and ATHLETICS

Ponderosa offers 27 varsity sports and is a member of the Continental League. Ponderosa has over 47 extracurricular activities ranging from service organizations to student-interest clubs. Students can earn an athletic letter and an activities letter. For a complete list of clubs and activities, please see our website at: www.phsmustangs.com

GRADING SYSTEM

Grade	Unweighted GPA	Weighted GPA	Grading Scale
A	4.0	5.0	A = 90-100 %
B	3.0	4.0	B = 80-89 %
C	2.0	3.0	C = 70-79%
D	1.0	1.0	D = 60-69%
F	0.0	0.0	F = 0-59%

Weighted grade points are awarded for Advanced Placement classes. Honors classes are not weighted.

Class of 2017

	Weighted GPA	Unweighted GPA
GPA Range	4.52-1.25	4.00-1.25
Top 10%	4.17	3.92
Top 25%	3.90	3.75
Median GPA	3.03	2.95

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

A student must successfully complete a minimum of 24 credits in order to graduate from all Douglas County high schools. One-half credit is equal to one semester.

Language Arts	4.0	Practical Arts	1.0
Social Studies	3.0	Fine Arts	1.0
Mathematics	3.0	Physical Education	1.0
Science	3.0	Elective Credits	8.0

**Community Service requirement of 20 hours.

Year	2017	2016	2015	2014
# Students Tested	238	284	286	286
# AP Tests	372	411	400	439
% of 3 or Higher	60	69.4	67.8	66.8
# AP Scholars	32	27	31	33
# AP Scholars with Honors	18	13	12	10
# AP Scholars with Distinction	19	21	13	17
# AP National Scholars	2	1	4	1

SAT SCORES FROM APRIL 2017 STATE TEST

	PHS	CO
Composite	1060	1015
Math	526	501
Reading/Writing	534	514

NATIONAL MERIT

Scholars: 27 # Finalists: 57
Semi-Finalists: 65 # Commended: 65

POST SECONDARY PLANS

Class of 2017
Applied to college: 96.12%
Four year college/university: 63.17%
Two year college: 18.1%
Military: 4.13%
Work Force: 3.17%
Trade School: 2.86%
Gap Year: 4.76%
Undecided/Unknown: 3.17%