

# MEPHAM

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## CLASS OF 2023

Bellmore-Merrick Central High School District

### **Wellington C. Mephram High School**

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## Our School

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Wellington C. Mepham High School (9-12) is a large public high school servicing students in grades 9-12 and prides itself on engaging students both inside and outside the classroom setting. Our commitment to a strong bond between home and school nurtures the relationships students have with their teachers. Our extraordinary faculty is dedicated to preparing students for the challenges they will face beyond high school. Our students learn how to impact society in positive ways by having a multitude of community service experiences throughout their tenure.

## The Community

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Bellmore-Merrick Central High School District is located in Nassau County, on Long Island, approximately twenty-five miles east of New York City. Serving more than 5,500 students in grades seven through twelve, the district consists of three comprehensive high schools, an alternative high school, and two middle schools. Our students' success is a matter of record, with more than 99% of our graduating seniors receiving a New York State Regents Diploma. In addition to a full array of Regents, Honors, Accelerated, Dual Enrollment, and Advanced Placement programs, the Bellmore-Merrick CHSD offers several unique opportunities: Gilder-Lehrman, Virtual Enterprise, Senior Experience, and Theater Arts, Culinary Arts, Broadcast Journalism, and Advanced Science Research Programs. Additional information is located on the last page of this profile.

## Our Mission

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Developing the potential of each and every student continues to be a top priority at W.C. Mepham High School, as is nurturing in our students the characteristics and abilities that will allow them to become capable of meeting the challenges of life after graduation. Our promotion of global consciousness and cultural awareness, the ways in which we model equity, and respect, and the emphasis we place on active citizenship, all while encouraging students to be curious, inquisitive, creative, and innovative make Mepham one of the top schools on Long Island. The shared sense of purpose and responsibility among the members of our school community demonstrates a commitment to academic excellence, our devotion to our school community, and the call for collective action.

## Enrollment

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Total school enrollment (9-12) – 1,186 students  
Class of 2023 – 305 students

## Accreditation

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Wellington C. Mepham High School is accredited by the New York State Board of Regents.

## Graduation Requirements

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Students are required to earn at least 22 credits and pass five New York State Regents examinations to graduate with a Regents Diploma. To earn a Regents diploma with Advanced Designation, students must pass eight Regents examinations. Credit requirements are outlined below:

English.....	4 credits
Social Studies.....	4 credits
Science.....	3 credits
Mathematics.....	3 credits
World Languages.....	1 credit
Art or Music.....	1 credit
Physical Education.....	2 credits
Health.....	½ credit
Electives.....	3 ½ credits

Typical Mepham HS students surpass these requirements.

## Class Rank

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The Bellmore-Merrick Central High School District has adopted a policy of not ranking students on cumulative average relative to their classmates.

## Course Weighting

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Transcript grades are weighted as follows:  
Honors and Accelerated Courses – 2 points added  
Advanced Placement Courses – 5 points added

## Lowest Numerical Equivalent

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A	B	C	D
90	80	70	65

Passing: 65



Our students have demonstrated success in a school that prides itself on the rigor of its academic program. It is hoped that colleges recognize the strength of our curriculum and the quality of our graduates.

## Dual Enrollment Courses

Course	College	Credits
College Accounting	SUNY Farmingdale	3
College Marketing 1	SUNY Farmingdale	3
College Business Law	SUNY Farmingdale	3
Hospitality & Management	SUNY Farmingdale	3
Virtual Enterprise	SUNY Farmingdale	9
Principles of Engineering	NYIT	2
Digital Electronics	NYIT	3
Java Mobile Apps	NYIT	3
College Spanish	Molloy	6
College Italian	Molloy	6
College Pre-Calculus	Molloy	3
Drama 3/4	Molloy	3
College Media	St. John's	3
College Public Speaking	St. John's	3
College Genetics	St. John's	3
College Human A & P	St. John's	3
College Sociology	St. John's	3
College Finite Mathematics	St. John's	6
College Drawing & Painting 3 & 4	LIU	3 Each
College Photography 3 & 4	LIU	3 Each
College Sculpture 3 & 4	LIU	3 Each
Voices from the Past – Eng.	LIU	3
Voices from the Past – SS	LIU	3
College Music Theory	LIU	3
Adv. Digital Music Production	LIU	3
Broadcast Communications II	LIU	3
Broadcast Communications III	LIU	3
Creative Suite 1	LIU	3
Creative Suite 2-Advertising	LIU	3
Creative Writing I	LIU	3
College 2D Animation	LIU	3
Social Media & Blogging	LIU	3
College Journalism 1	LIU	3
Cultural Studies	LIU	3
Advanced Science Research 3	SUNY Albany	4
Advanced Science Research 4	SUNY Albany	4
ASR 3 - Summer Mentorship	SUNY Albany	2
ASR 4 - Summer Mentorship	SUNY Albany	2

## Average SAT and ACT Reasoning Scores (2022)

SAT Reasoning Test	Mepham Mean	National Mean
Evidence Based Reading & Writing	570	529
Mathematics	575	521

  

ACT Exam	Mean Composite Score
Mepham	24.7
National	19.8

## AP Scholar Awards

	2020	2021	2022
AP Scholars	86	85	79
AP Scholars with Honors	49	37	30
AP Scholars with Distinction	47	70	67
AP National Scholars	12	0	0
<b>Total Scholars</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>176</b>

## AP Test Results (3-year Average)

Examination	% 3 or Better
Biology	85%
Calculus AB	71%
Calculus BC	89%
Chemistry	63%
English Language	54%
English Literature	68%
US Government & Politics	59%
Italian Language	94%
Macroeconomics	77%
Physics 1/Physics 2	60%
Psychology	67%
Research	87%
Seminar	95%
Spanish Language	74%
Statistics	76%
Studio Art	89%
US History	64%
World History	78%

## AP Course Enrollment

YEAR	# OF STUDENTS	# OF EXAMS TAKEN
2021-2022	489	1,105
2020-2021	521	1,161
2019-2020	556	1,164

## Honors and Awards

2021 National Merit Semifinalists	2
2022 AP Capstone Diplomas	7
2022 AP International Diplomas	1
Anti-Defamation League – No Place For Hate School	

## Post-Secondary Education (2022)

Four Year College	84%
Two Year College	11%
Other	5%

# BMCHSD SPECIAL PROGRAMS AND OPPORTUNITIES

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## **Bellmore-Merrick Broadcasting**

Housed at Mephram High School in the district's cutting-edge broadcasting studio, the innovative Bellmore-Merrick Broadcasting Program is designed to enrich the educational experience of high school students with career interests in broadcasting by providing them with real-world skills and experiences with high-tech professional equipment. Led by faculty with experience in the field, students begin by learning about communication theories and tools, gaining background knowledge of pre-production planning and technical experience with camera use, lighting, sound recording, and electronic editing. As students advance through the program, they shape and refine skills in reading and writing for media communications, interviewing, graphics design, and filmmaking.

## **CHAMP Culinary Arts**

The Culinary, Hospitality and Applied Management Program (CHAMP) housed at Kennedy High School, in a state of the art culinary facility, will be an opportunity for students to explore the culinary and hospitality industry through classwork in advanced food preparation and food service management. CHAMP will take students from cooking and service skills to thorough training in every kitchen station, while providing students with real-world knowledge that will support them in any field in the industry.

## **On Tour**

Housed at Calhoun, On Tour is the Bellmore-Merrick Central High School District's Theater Arts program. The program has existed for over forty years and is one of the most rigorous and expansive high school theater programs in New York State. Acceptance to this highly selective program is challenging as students have to go through an extensive application process which is comprised of a written essay, an intensive interview, an acting workshop, and the performance of a Shakespeare text. Approximately 30 students per year are admitted out of a three high school student body of close to 4,000 students.

## **Virtual Enterprise**

This program allows students to experience all the facets of being an employee in a business environment. They are involved in every aspect of the business – including human resources, accounting, product development, production, distribution, marketing, and sales.

## **Senior Experience**

The Senior Experience provides students with an opportunity to explore a variety of career options including out-of-school internships and/or activities based upon the individual interests of each student.

## **AP Capstone**

AP Capstone™ is a diploma program based on two AP courses: AP Seminar and AP Research. These yearlong courses focus on developing the critical thinking, research, collaboration, time management, and presentation skills you need for college-level work.

## **Advanced Science Research Program**

The Advanced Science Research program provides high school students with the tools and experiences necessary to become scientists. Students master the art of the scientific method, which can be used in every aspect of their lives. Students excel in areas such as interviewing, presenting, writing, self-assessment, peer evaluation, organization, time management, and other activities that aid them in becoming scientists. Students also perform three years of intense research under the supervision of a mentor in their chosen discipline. All students complete a publishable research paper prior to high school graduation. Our students have been consistently recognized for their scientific work at international, national, and regional competitions.

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