

# LAKE CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

## School Profile

### 2015-2016

#### Community

Lake Central High School (LCHS) is located in St. John, Indiana and serves the "Tri-town Area" which includes the communities of Dyer, Schererville, and St. John, Indiana.

The Tri-town covers an area of 32 square miles and has over 60,000 diverse residents. It is situated in the northwest corner of Indiana only 35 short miles southeast of Chicago, IL and 158 miles northwest of Indianapolis, IN.

The district's proximity to large metropolitan areas, along with settings ranging from suburban to rural, has caused **continued growth** and **desirability** in the community.

The Lake Central Community School district is made up of six elementary schools (K-4), three middle schools (5-8), and one high school (9-12). Approximately 10,000 **culturally, academically, and economically diverse** students are served in an educationally **rigorous** and **challenging** atmosphere.

**\*\*LCHS earned an "A" rating in from the Indiana Department of Education.**

**\*\*LCHS is Ranked among the top 10% of all schools in the Nation and State of Indiana by U.S. News and World Report, America's Best High Schools.**

**\*\*St. John, Indiana was ranked one of the safest places to live in Indiana by Movoto Real Estate (2014) and was also named one of the top places to live in the US by CNN (2009)!**

#### School

As a result of rapid community growth and advances in educational technology, LCHS is in the third and final stage of **significant renovation** on the current school grounds. A new three-story, state of the art, **Academic Wing** is already occupied and completion for the entire project is expected during the 2015-2016 school year.

Lake Central High School has been **fully accredited by AdvanceED** since opening its doors in 1966. The course offerings available to LCHS students are among the most **abundant** and **rigorous** in the state.

- **180 Course Options**
- **25 AP (Advanced Placement) Exams**
- **27+ Dual Credit Courses**
- **23 Career Technology Courses and Certifications**
- **16 Honors/Advanced Courses**

Lake Central has a **proud tradition** of **success** in **academics**, the **arts**, and **athletics**!



#### Students

Lake Central High School enrolls approximately 3,300 students in grades 9-12. This places **LCHS** in the **top 10** of the largest high schools in the State of Indiana.

##### Graduates

- 95% Graduation Rate
- 91% Core 40 Diploma or higher
- 37% Core 40 with Academic Honors
- 74% of Graduates pursued a college education

##### State of Indiana

##### End of Course Assessments

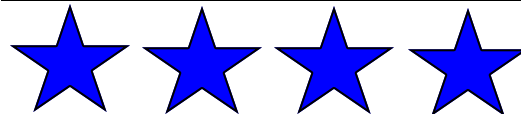
97% of LCHS Graduates were proficient in both English and Math ECA Standards

##### Advanced Placement

- 1,109 AP Tests taken in 2015
- 59% Earned a 3 or higher
- 29% of 2015 grads earned a 3 or higher

##### Dual Credit

- 17,500 Dual Credits earned since 2011
- Dual Credit partnerships with **FIVE** Indiana universities/colleges!



**LCHS earned Four Star Status from the Indiana Department of Education.**

#### Faculty

All Lake Central High School certified staff are considered **"Highly Qualified"** by the State of Indiana and hold a **minimum** of a bachelor's degree in their respective fields of study. 53% percent of certified personnel **hold a master's degree or higher**. Many are qualified, and hold positions, as college/university faculty. Also, many of the faculty and staff are Lake Central High School alumni, continuing the pride, honor, and tradition of the tribe!

**GO INDIANS!**

## Schedule

Lake Central High School's bell schedule is organized on a block 8-matrix. The maximum course load is seven credits per semester and students have the opportunity to earn 14 total credits per school year. Each class period is 90 minutes in length. Students attend all periods on alternating days. One through four meet on "Blue Days" and periods five through seven on "White Days." The last 90 minutes of White days allows for the rotation of periods one through seven. With this schedule, classes meet an additional 12 times a year and increases the instructional time by 1080 minutes per year.



### Advanced Placement (AP)

Lake Central High School offers **20** College Board "curriculum-approved" **Advanced Placement** courses.

During the May 2015 test administration:

- **1,109 TOTAL AP EXAMS ADMINISTERED**
- **63.1% resulted in a qualifying score of a 3 or higher**
- **29% of all students in the class of 2015 earned a qualifying score (3 or higher)**
- **80 students were AP Scholars** (3.07 avg. score on 3 or more exams)
- **26 students were AP Scholars with Honor** (3.62 avg. score.)
- **26 students were AP Scholars with Distinction** (4.10 avg. score.)
- **3 students were named National AP Scholars** with an average score of 4.34 on 3 or more exams!

### ACT EPAS

Lake Central Community Schools participates in ACT's **EPAS® Educational Planning and Assessment System**. The EPAS system provides a longitudinal, systematic approach to educational and career planning, assessment, instructional support, and evaluation. The system focuses on the integrated, higher-order thinking skills that are important for **success**.

#### 2013-2014 ACT Scores

	English	Math	Reading	Science	Comp.
LCHS Avg. Core or more	22	22	22.5	21.5	22.1
Indiana Avg.	21.1	21.9	22.3	21.6	21.9
National Avg.	20.3	20.9	21.3	20.8	21.0

### CLASS RANK AND GRADUATION HONORS

On August 17, 2009, the Lake Central School Board adopted a policy to **eliminate class rank from the high school transcript**. Board Policy 007.22 took effect with the graduating class of 2012. There **will no longer be a class valedictorian and salutatorian**. The following honor groups will be in place.

#### Distinguished Honors at Graduation

Grade point average is based on a 4.0 scale. A weighted factor is used for Honors and Advanced Placement classes resulting in an individual's GPA exceeding a 4.0. Three distinct classifications will be recognized. To qualify for any of these distinctions, individuals will need a minimum of 47 credits at the end of the 8th semester.

- **Summa Cum Laude**, "With highest honor" will be individuals at and above a GPA of 4.5
- **Magna Cum Laude**, "With great honor" will be individuals with a GPA between 4.2500 and 4.4999
- **Cum Laude**, "With honor" will be individuals with a GPA between 4.000 and 4.2499.

**A = 4.00**

**A- = 3.67**

**B+ = 3.33**

**B = 3.00**

**B- = 2.67**

**C+ = 2.33**

**C = 2.00**

**C- = 1.67**

**D+ = 1.33**

**D = 1.00**

**D- = 0.67**

**N = Audit**  
**(no credit)**

**GPA Index Scale**

### 2015 SAT Average

LCHS Average	<b>1584</b>
Indiana Average	<b>1474</b>





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## Lake Central Clubs/Extra Curricular

Academic Letter Winners
Academic Super Bowl
Art Club
Astronomy Club
Auto Services
Best Buddies Organization
BPA (Business Professionals of America)
Broadcast Journalism
Chess Club
Choir
Color Guard
Debate
Graphic Imaging
LC Environmental Club
Freshmen Class Cabinet
Sophomore Class Cabinet
Junior Class Cabinet
Senior Class Cabinet
Interact Club
JETS
Lake Central Dollars for Scholars
Marching Band
National Honor Society
N-Teens
Precision Machine
Publications (Yearbook, News)
Robotics Club
Rune Magazine Staff
Science Olympiad
Spellbowl
Student Council
Super Fan Club
Theater
WISE (Women in Science and Engineering)



## Demographics

Caucasian - 72.9%  
 Hispanic - 13.6%  
 African American - 5.4%  
 Multi-Racial - 4.4%  
 Asian - 3.3%  
 Native American - 0.5%

## SES

Paid Lunch - 81%  
 Free or Reduced Lunch - 19%



*Lake Central hosts many award-winning, state and nationally recognized programs in Band, Choir, Art, Publications, Academic Teams, BPA, Robotics, and Theater.*



## Lake Central Athletic Programs

Girls Basketball  
 Girls Competitive Cheer  
 Girls Competitive Dance  
 Girls Cross Country  
 Girls Golf  
 Girls Gymnastics  
 Girls Soccer  
 Girls Softball  
 Girls Swimming  
 Girls Tennis  
 Girls Track & Field  
 Girls Volleyball  
 Boys Baseball  
 Boys Basketball  
 Boys Cross Country  
 Boys Golf  
 Boys Football  
 Boys Soccer  
 Boys Swimming  
 Boys Tennis  
 Boys Track & Field  
 Boys Wrestling



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