



Forest Park High School

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2025-2026 School Profile

Forest Park High School, founded in September 2000, is a comprehensive educational institution serving 2,283 students. Located in a suburban community approximately 35 miles south of Washington, D.C., the school offers a diverse range of vocational programs featuring modern laboratories, alongside rigorous academic courses with a strong emphasis on college readiness. Forest Park is one of two high schools within Prince William County Public Schools designated as a Center for Information Technology.

Forest Park High School is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

Definition of Curriculum

Prince William County Public Schools provides a range of courses from remedial levels to advanced placement, dual enrollment, and those meeting requirements for standard or advanced studies diplomas. Both vocational and academic courses are available, allowing students to prepare for college, enter the workforce after graduation, or pursue post-secondary training in various fields.

Specialty Program Information:

Center for Information Technology Program (IT)

The Center for Information Technology offers opportunities for students to study a wide range of information technology programs covering three principal areas: computer programming and database management, graphics and multimedia, and hardware and networking. An extensive advanced placement (AP) program is also available within this program. Programs leading to professional and general certification are offered. These certificate programs include computer graphics, multimedia, computer repair, computer programming, and networking. Students need at least two years in upper-level classes to prepare for advanced graphics, network, and programming certifications.

To participate in the program, students must be enrolled in at least one IT core class each year and must complete a sequence of IT classes in grades nine through twelve.

Grade Distribution 2024-25

A	B	C	D	F
46%	25%	17%	9%	3%

PWCS Grading Scale

Grading Scale	1.0 Weighted	0.5 Weighted	Unweighted	
A	90-100	5.0 points	4.5 points	4.0 points
B+	87-89	4.4 points	3.9 points	3.4 points
B	80-86	4.0 points	3.5 points	3.0 points
C+	77-79	3.4 points	2.9 points	2.4 points
C	70-76	3.0 points	2.5 points	2.0 points
D+	67-69	1.4 points	1.4 points	1.4 points
D	60-66	1.0 point	1.0 point	1.0 point
F	below 60	0 points	0 points	0 points

Profile of 2025 Graduates

Advanced Studies Diploma	56%
Standard Diploma	42%
Applied Studies Diploma	2%
Four Year College	44%
Two Year College	33%
Other Continuing Education	7%
Military	6%

2024-25 SAT Mean Scores

	Forest Park	PWCS	Virginia	Nation
ERW	511	503	567	521
Math	488	482	544	508

Students have the option to report SAT scores based on the requirements of the colleges to which they are applying. The PWCS transcript lists only the highest combined scores from all test dates.

Advanced Placement Program

Advanced Placement courses are taught in all Prince William County high schools. These courses adhere to the stringent requirements prescribed by the College Entrance Examination Board (CEEB) and are awarded grade point values based upon a 5.0 scale. Courses designated advanced/accelerated are indicated by a plus (+) beside the course title on the student transcript.

Advanced Placement Courses

AP African American Studies	AP Human Geography
AP Biology	AP Physics C: Mechanics
AP Calculus AB	AP Psychology
AP Calculus BC	AP Seminar
AP Chemistry	AP Spanish Language
AP Comparative Government	AP Statistics
AP Computer Science I A	AP Studio Art 2-D
AP Computer Science Principles	AP Studio Art Drawing
AP Economics	AP US Government
AP English Language/Composition	AP US History
AP English Literature/Composition	AP World History
AP Environmental Science	

Dual Enrollment

Forest Park partners with Northern Virginia Community College (NOVA) to offer dual enrollment opportunities for students to earn high school and college credit simultaneously. These courses, indicated by "DE" in the course title, are taught within the high school day by Forest Park faculty who are credentialed adjunct faculty

Dual Enrollment Courses

English College Comp 11 DE	Teachers for Tomorrow 1 DE
English College Comp 12 DE	Teachers for Tomorrow 2 DE
Environmental Science DE	US/VA Government DE
IT Web Tech DE	US/VA History DE
Survey World Literature DE	

Class Percentile

All courses with Carnegie units of credit are used to compute GPA and percentile, shown on student transcripts. Starting with the class of 2022, PWCS reports class percentile instead of class rank. Courses are not evaluated on a pass/fail basis. Transcripts from other districts with pass/fail grades will not affect GPA and percentile unless a corresponding letter grade is provided. All students earning an Advanced Studies or Standard diploma are included in the senior class percentile.

Seven Period A/B Schedule

Forest Park follows a 7-period schedule wherein each student takes seven 92-minute classes. Under this schedule, students can earn seven credits per year.

Graduation Requirements

Students entering 9th grade in 2018-2019 and beyond

VDOE Diploma Type:	Advanced Studies	Standard Diploma
Units of Credits	26 units	22 units
English	4	4
Mathematics	4	3
Science	4	3
Social Studies	4	3
Foreign Language	3 of 1 (or) 2 of 2	0
Health/Physical Education	2	2
Economics & Personal Finance	1	1
Fine Arts or CTE	1	1
Other Electives: must include at least two sequential electives	2-3	5

Additional requirements for both diplomas:

- Earn **five** verified credits by passing the specified courses and their associated end-of-course Standards of Learning test or other state-approved assessment. Students can take a total of 11 tests during their high school tenure.
- Pass a CTE credentialing exam, complete one advanced course, or engage in a High-Quality Work-Based Learning experience as defined by the VDOE.
- Virtual Course for Credit or Non-Credit
- CPR/First Aid/AED Training

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