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Highlights:

- The Lenape Girls Golf team won the Burlington County Open.
- The Lenape average SAT score increased to 1173.
- Lenape is proud to be designated a No Place for Hate School for the 10th consecutive year by the Anti-Defamation League.



Mission, Vision, Theme:

The mission of Lenape High School is to create an inclusive community of lifelong learners who strive to become academically and culturally responsible citizens on a personal path to greatness.



Awards, Recognition, Accomplishments:

Reflective of LRHSD as a whole, Lenape students excel academically. Beyond its graduation rate of 95%, Lenape consistently exceeds state and national averages on state assessments and college entrance exams. In the 2021-22 school year, Lenape students posted over 27 "800" SAT section scores, with a 1173 SAT average. 294 Lenape students took 540 Advanced Placement exams, and 81% of them scored 3 or higher. Lenape consistently has National Merit Scholars recognized annually.

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Courses, Curriculum, Instruction:

Through more than 236 course offerings, 24 AP courses and 67 College Acceleration Program courses, 40 at Rowan College at Burlington County (RCBC) and 27 at Rowan University (RU), complemented by summer enrichment programs, the Lenape District offers academic tracks to meet every student's needs. In the 2021-22 school year, 887 students district-wide applied for RU and RCBC dual credit; on average, each student earned 6.7 college credits. <https://www.lrhd.org/Page/679>



Sports and Athletics:

Sports Offered: Baseball (Boys), Basketball (Boys & Girls), Bowling (Boys & Girls), Cheerleading (Boys & Girls), Cross Country (Boys & Girls), Field Hockey (Girls), Football (Boys), Golf (Boys & Girls), Gymnastics (Girls), Lacrosse (Boys & Girls), Soccer (Boys & Girls), Softball (Girls), Swimming (Boys & Girls), Tennis (Boys & Girls), Track and Field - Spring (Boys & Girls), Track and Field - Winter (Boys & Girls), Volleyball (Girls), Wrestling (Boys)

Lenape High School is proud of the achievements of student-athletes. During the 2021-22 school year, its teams won several tournaments and divisional championships. Lenape boys basketball won the Group 4 Sectional Championship and the Olympic American Division, girls lacrosse won the Group 4 Sectional Championship and the Olympic American Division. In addition, individual athletes were recognized for their talents by various newspapers and organizations, having been selected for all-area teams and player of the year honors. Lenape's athletic programs are a part of the Positive Coaching Alliance, working to not only advance their athletic abilities, but also their empathy and citizenship through sports.



Clubs and Activities:

With a wide range of academic, community service, cultural, and special interest organizations in which students can get involved, students can choose from a variety of options. In the past year Lenape clubs have volunteered at the AIDS Walk Philadelphia, soup kitchens in Camden and Mount Holly, Give Kids The World in Kissimmee, FL, and at several other locations throughout the region. Lenape Debate team won the 2021 South Jersey Debate League. Lenape Marching Band won the 2020 Group 1 State Championship.

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Before and After School Programs:

Lenape offers a variety of academic resources to address clarity or additional assistance for all students. Whether it is after school or during lunch, teachers and National Honor Society students are available to help students. After school, Lenape provides individual teacher instruction at the Tutoring Tribe, and NHS tutoring in the media center. Lenape also assigns NHS students to meet with students in need during their study hall or Community Lunch and Learn.



Staff and Professional Learning:

All LRHSD teachers are trained by the in-house Research for Better Teaching (RBT) trainers. RBT professional development takes place during a teacher's first three years, with refreshers offered at various intervals. Lenape's teachers are also trained in Understanding by Design (UbD). Lenape also provides its teachers with an uninterrupted common planning time, which allows for greater collaboration and collegiality. Lenape teachers participate in extensive peer observation and Collegiality Cafe programs which enable staff to share best practices. Lenape teachers have conducted 1000+ peer observations in the past four years, and 100+ Collegiality Cafés of teachers sharing best practices to their peers.



Postsecondary Information:

During the 2021-22 school year, 874 students earned 5954 college credits through the dual credit program. LRHSD is proud to offer the PSAT to all students in grades 9, 10, and 11, as the district believes that opportunity better prepares them for the SAT. LRHSD's success as a high-achieving district is exemplified by its 97.2% graduation rate, its SAT scores consistently above state and national averages, and its 79.9% of graduates attending over 272 colleges and universities.

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Student Supports and Services:

Lenape's Intervention and Referral Services are designed to assist students experiencing learning, behavior or health difficulties. Lenape offers a complete range of programs for students who have been determined to be eligible for special education and related services, including resource center programs, inclusion and self-contained programs.



Student Health and Wellness:

Lenape has established a Wellness Center for students to take a break from the pace of high school. The Lenape Wellness Center is staffed by two counselors. Lenape provides a nutritious breakfast and lunch throughout the school day. All students, regardless of grade, take part in a physical education class. The Lenape weight room is also available after-school and during our Community Lunch and Learn. Lenape has a student Mental Health Club that is assisting in the design of our 2020 Lenape Wellness Center. Lenape hosted a Wellness Day for all students and staff. In Lenape school nurses conduct a health screening for any student that does not have a physical on record.



Parent and Community Involvement:

Lenape has had an established PTO group for several years. The Lenape PTO sponsors the Lenape Project Graduation, in order to provide a safe, drug and alcohol free environment for all seniors on graduation night. Parents can access students' grades and information through our Genesis Gradebook or through the LRHSD app. Lenape also utilizes Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, Blackboard Messenger, and Naviance to connect with families.

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Climate Surveys:

Is a Climate Survey Used: Yes; Who is surveyed: Students, Parents, Teachers. School climate surveys have been used through the Middle States Accreditation process.



Facilities:

Lenape High School opened in 1958 on a 53-acre plot of land in Medford, NJ. Since that time, the school has undergone multiple renovations to accommodate the educational needs of the sprawling community. Students attend classes throughout the campus and enjoy the advantages of a large high school and smaller learning communities. The school is up to date with modern technology needed to support the school curriculum.



School Safety:

The Safety and Security of all LRHSD students and staff is a top priority which is evidenced by the following security initiatives already in place at all LRHSD schools. Police officers with marked vehicles are assigned to each school reinforcing high visibility police presence. All LRHSD schools have Security Staff (several retired Law Enforcement Officers) assigned to assist with maintaining a safe school environment. All exterior doors are secured and locked during the school day. Main office vestibules were constructed to limit direct entry into the school. All schools are equipped with 24/7 interior and exterior surveillance systems. Lockdown buttons and a new phone system were installed at all schools to initiate and expedite lockdown procedures. Portable radios are assigned to key personnel to expedite communications in the event of an emergency. New classroom and office locks were installed to expedite the lockdown process and intruder film was added to all exterior doors.

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Technology and STEM:

The LRHSD has a variety of technology and STEM opportunities for students. A wide-range of technology courses offered include a 3 year Television Broadcasting path with a 4th year option to intern in the District Television Studio. Technical courses expose students to industry-standard software. Also offered is an Automotive shop at Seneca and Cherokee and a Metal Shop at Lenape High School. The LRHSD has also partnered with Project Lead the Way a nationally recognized STEM program to offer a pre-engineering pathway where students work collaboratively in a cohort to take an engineering elective each year of their high school experience. This will expose them to different facets of a STEM related career. The LRHSD has two district Robotics teams which compete locally and nationally. Members of the LRHSD Robotics teams report that the project based problem solving design of each challenge deepens their understanding of the concepts behind the designs necessary to compete.

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Other Information:

Lenape High School takes pride in its outstanding academic success and relationship with the surrounding communities. Lenape students are known for not only their impressive test scores, but also for their kindness and respect. The high school's administration holds their students to a higher level than most because they know exactly what each individual student is capable of, and that is success. With the help of a wonderful district, Lenape students can confidently walk through the doors knowing that they are receiving an exceptional education and building a strong foundation for their future. Lenape, along with the entire LRHSD, operates using a 57 minute class period, rotating schedule. The rotating schedule has an AM wheel and a PM wheel with a 50 minute community lunch and learn time in the middle. This schedule more closely mirrors what our students will experience in college, as classes rotate and drop off within a 4 day cycle. Our students utilize the community lunch and learn to seek assistance from their teachers, study with their peers, complete their independent work, meet with clubs, complete a variety of tasks that would otherwise interrupt instruction, or socialize with friends. It also provides our students the opportunity to further develop their time management skills. We are preparing our students to succeed in life after Lenape High School.