



SIDNEY HIGH SCHOOL

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COMMUNITY Sidney is a community of approximately 20,000 people located in West-Central Ohio. It is in Shelby County along the I-75 corridor between exits 90 and 94, 35 miles north of Dayton. Sidney has a strong industrial base made up of such corporations as Cargill, Emerson Climate Technologies, Freshway Foods, Energizer, Advanced Composites, PlyGem, Plastipak Packaging, Honda and many others, which employ over 10,000 people from the area. In addition, Sidney serves as the county seat and is led by a strong city government of seven elected council members and a professional City Manager.

SCHOOL The Sidney City School District serves the City of Sidney and the Villages of Port Jefferson and Maplewood. Sidney High School is a comprehensive college-prep oriented public high school. The school year is divided into two semesters with four 9 week grading periods. The school day runs from 7:30 AM to 2:30 PM; there are 8 43-45 minutes periods with an additional 40 minute Intervention & Enrichment period. Students have the opportunity to attend the Upper Valley Career Center for vocational programs with several vocational programs also housed at SHS. Sidney High School is state accredited in Ohio by the Ohio Department of Education and is a member of the Greater Western Ohio Conference and Ohio High School Athletic Association in athletics. All boys and girls sports are Division I with the exception of football, which is Division II.

FACULTY Sidney High School has 66 professionally trained certified staff members. Approximately 65% of the teaching staff have masters degrees with about half of these having additional post-graduate work beyond the masters level.

ENROLLMENT Sidney High School enrollment for 2017-2018 is just over 1,000. Approximately 100 students attend the Upper Valley Career Center. The average graduating class size is approximately 250 students.

GRADING SYSTEM	College Preparatory Classes	Advanced Placement & College Credit Plus Courses
A - 4 points	100%-90%	A - 5 points 100%-90%
B - 3 points	89%-80%	B - 4 points 89%-80%
C - 2 points	79%-70%	C - 3 points 79%-70%
D - 1 point	69%-60%	D - 1 point 69%-60%
F - 0 points	59%-0%	F - 0 points 59%-0%

ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) COURSES Students at Sidney High School have access to as many as seven advanced placement courses which may include English Language & Composition; English Literature & Composition; U.S. History; European History; American Government & Politics; Calculus; and Physics.

COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS (CCP) COURSES Students at Sidney High School have access to as many as 18 College Credit Plus (college-level) courses which may include: Composition I & II, Intro to Literature, American Literature I, British Literature I, Communications, Business, Integrated Marketing Communications, Pre Calculus, Calculus I, College Physics, Science & Engineering Physics, History of the US I & II, American National Government, Beginning Spanish I, and Intermediate Spanish I & II.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS Twenty-one credits are required for students in the graduating class of 2018 and beyond. This includes, at minimum, English (4 units); Mathematics (4 units); Social Studies (3 units) - World History, American History, Government; Science (3 units) - Physical Science, Biology, Advance Science; Physical Education (.5 unit); Health (.5 unit) and 6 elective units including 2 semesters of fine arts which can be completed in any of grades 7-12, plus passing scores on end of course exams.

GPA & CLASS RANK Class rank and GPA (Grade Point Average) is reported on each student's transcript for each semester beginning in the first semester of a student's freshman year. This data is based upon all subjects including select courses that are weighted. Class rank includes all students. In 2017, Sidney High School began recognizing senior honors with the distinction of Summa Cum Laude - earning a minimum 4.25 GPA, Magna Cum Laude - earning a 4.0-4.424 GPA, and Cum Laude - earning a 3.75-3.99 GPA, with all meeting the criteria for an honors diploma.

AP RESULTS In 2017, 20 SHS students took 4 various AP exams equalling 20 total exams taken. 90% of the students who took an AP exam earned a score of 3 or higher. Of those who earned a 3 or higher, 22% earned a score of 4, and 27% earned a perfect score of 5.

COLLEGE INFORMATION	ACT Score Results	Post High School Plans	% of Students
	ACT Core Composite: 21.5	Graduates to a 2 or 4 year college:	81%
		Graduates entering workforce:	11.1%
		Graduates to a trade/tech college:	1.3%
		Graduates entering the military:	6.5%
		(Based on 154 responses/245 2017 graduates)	

ART & MUSIC	Fine & Graphic Arts	Band/Orchestra	Chorus
	Art Foundations Ceramics Sculpture Painting Drawing Web Page Design	Concert Band Marching Band Orchestra Music Appreciation	Girl's Glee Women's Choir Freshman Choir Men's Choir Chamber Ensemble Symphonic Choir & Show Choir

CAREER & COLLEGE READINESS Many educators and education experts stress the importance of career and college readiness in students, particularly at the high school level. Since 2007, Sidney administration and teachers have worked to institute this important concept into the curriculum at Sidney High School. SHS partners with Edison Community College to offer college courses. The concept, formerly known as dual enrollment and currently called College Credit Plus, allows students to take courses at their home school and receive both high school and college credit simultaneously. These courses are taught by SHS teachers during the regular school day, meaning students never leave the school building for this opportunity.

New in the 2014-2015 school year at SHS was the Workforce Career Academy and Workforce Skills Academy. In these classes, students experience real-world, hands-on projects provided by business leaders in Shelby County, and explore first-hand the many career opportunities in our own backyard. In addition, students learn and develop skills to enhance character attributes and experiences associated with 21st century careers. Learning the necessary soft skills important in the workforce and experiencing the many employment opportunities in our community will give students the advantage when entering the next phase of life - be it the world of work or continuing education. The Workforce Academy expanded in 2015-2016 to add the RCI Academy, a hands-on class with more technical applications of the workforce, including quality control, blue print reading and more. The Workforce Academy program continues to grow each year.

TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE SHS students typically attend many Ohio-based state and private institutions, with the primary choices being: The Ohio State University, Miami University, Bowling Green State University, University of Toledo, Wright State University and Edison Community College. SHS students have also graduated from Military Academies, Duke, Georgetown, North Carolina, Vanderbilt, Wake Forest, Yale, and other highly selective universities across the nation.

SHS has a proud tradition of graduates excelling in their chosen field and making a significant positive impact on the communities in which they live. Paul C. Lauterbur, SHS Class of 1947, shared the 2003 Nobel Prize Award for Medicine for his discoveries concerning magnetic resonance imaging. More information on notable graduates can be found at www.sidneyhallofhonor.org.

UNIQUE COURSE OFFERINGS Students at Sidney High School have the opportunity to take part in a variety of unique course offerings. One unique academic initiatives is the innovative vo-ag program focused on Food Science and Technology. This is one of the first programs of its type in the state. At Sidney High School, a series of classes such as Science Technology of Food, Applications of Food Science and Technology, and Food Marketing and Research will be offered as elective courses.

Other unique course offerings include: TV Productions; S.E.E.D. (Science, Engineering, Enrichment and Discovery); Marketing; GRADS; Opportunity School for credit recovery; studio art classes; and more.

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES Sidney City Schools offers more than 70 extra curricular activities for students from 6th grade on. Sports include: football; boys & girls soccer; boys & girls basketball; boys baseball; girls fast pitch; boys & girls tennis; co-ed track; co-ed bowling; boys & girls swimming and diving; boys and girls cross country; girls volleyball; boys wrestling; weight lifting; cheer leading; marching band; and golf. Clubs include: Academia; Link Crew; Mock Trial; Breakfast Club; Key Club, Art Club, FCCLA; Drama Club; Foreign Language Club; Muse Machine; Green Ink; Student Government; National Honor Society; DECA; Chess Club; and Intramural Athletics.