



LAFAYETTE HIGH SCHOOL

412 Highland Avenue, Saint Joseph, MO, 64505

Phone: 816.671.4220 — Fax: 816.671.4227

www.sjsd.k12.mo.us/lafayette



SCHOOL PROFILE

PRINCIPAL

Mr. Chris Early

COUNSELORS

Ms. Jeanie Benitz–Dept. Chair

Mrs. Sam Davis

Ms. Emily Sumner

ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR

Mr. Jason Simpson

ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

Mr. John Davis

Mrs. Ashly McGinnis

SOCIAL WORKER

Ms. Ann McClintick

COLLEGE and CAREER

ADVISOR

Ms. Diane Guthery

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Lafayette High School is to set the pace for excellence by creating a positive learning environment and developing responsible life-long learners.

SCHOOL INFORMATION

Lafayette High School was dedicated November 3, 1917. It is one of three public high schools in the St. Joseph School district. There are currently 3 administrators, 1 Activities/Athletic Director, 3 Counselors, 1 Social worker, 1 College and Career advisor, 61 faculty members and 30 support staff members.

Students enrolled: 809

Dual Credit Courses offered: 9

PLTW Science Courses offered: 4

Teacher/Student Ratio: 1:23

AP Courses offered: 9

PLTW Engineering offered: 4

Graduation Rate: 93.14

HSB Courses offered: 4

IRISH PRIDE

Lafayette was recognized by U.S. News and Report as one of America’s Best High Schools in 2010. Lafayette currently has 51 teachers with either a Masters, Specialist, or Doctoral Degree and 7 teachers certified by the National Board. At the currently time, Lafayette has 25 alumni that have returned to work at Lafayette High School.

SCHOLASTIC RECOGNITION

Lampion Scholastic Honor Society

Top 10% of Graduating Class – Inducted in the spring

Pins/Certificates

Students with 3.0-3.49 GPA: Certificate

Students with 3.5 or better GPA: Pin

First Year Pin : Bronze

Third Year Pin: Gold

Second Year Pin: Silver

Fourth Year Pin: Green

DISTRICT INFORMATION

	Schools	Cert. Staff	Residents	Non-Res	Total
Elementary Schools	16	554	6,750	0	6,750
Middle Schools	4	177	1,728	0	1,728
High Schools	3	332	3,245	23	3,268
Total	23	1,063	11,723	23	11,746

The St. Joseph School District has an AAA accreditation, the highest recognition awarded by the Missouri Department of Education.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

(Classes 2018, 2019, 2020)

Language Arts	4 credits	Practical Arts	1 credit
Social Studies	3 ½ Credits	Fine Arts	1 credit
Math	3 credits	Personal Finance	½ credit
Science	3 credits	Electives	7 credits
Physical Ed/Health	1 ½ PE; ½ Health		
	Or 2 years JROTC		Total 25 credits

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

(Classes 2021 and After)

Language Arts	4 credits	Practical Arts	1 credit
Social Studies	3 ½ Credits	Fine Arts	1 credit
Math	3 credits	Personal Finance	½ credit
Science	3 credits	Electives	10 credits
Physical Ed/Health	1 ½ PE; ½ Health		
	Or 2 years JROTC		Total 28 credits

GRADING SYSTEM (for 2018, 2019, 2020)

<u>Grade</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Unweighted</u>	<u>Weighted</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Unweighted</u>	<u>Weighted</u>
A	94-100	4.0	5.0	C	73-76	2.0	3.0
A-	90-93	3.75	4.75	C-	70-72	1.75	2.75
B+	87-89	3.25	4.25	D+	67-69	1.25	1.25*
B	83-86	3.0	4.0	D	63-66	1.0	1.0*
B-	80-82	2.75	3.75	D-	60-62	.75	.75*
C+	77-79	2.25	3.25				

GRADING SYSTEM (for 2021 and after)

	<u>%</u>	<u>Unwtd</u>	<u>Wtd</u>	<u>AP/DC</u>		<u>%</u>	<u>Unwtd</u>	<u>Wtd</u>	<u>AP/DC</u>
A	94-100	4.0	4.5	5.0	C	73-76	2.0	2.5	3.0
A-	90-93	3.75	4.25	4.75	C-	70-72	1.75	2.25	2.75
B+	87-89	3.25	3.75	4.25	D+	67-69	1.25	1.25*	
B	83-86	3.0	3.5	4.0	D	63-66	1.0	1.0*	
B-	80-82	2.75	3.25	3.75	D-	60-62	.75	.75*	
C+	77-79	2.25	2.75	3.25					

RANK IN CLASS

Rank is determined by the weighted class rank calculation.

Freshmen and Sophomores receive weighted credit in a maximum of four (4) classes per semester that will count towards their class ranking.

Juniors and Seniors received weighted credit in a maximum of five (5) classes per semester.

Students may enroll in more than the maximum number of honors, but weighted credit will only be given to the maximums each semester.

CUM LAUDE HONORS SYSTEM (Grades 9-12)

The honors system below will be implemented in addition to current practices with the classes of 2018, 2019, 2020 with a valedictorian and salutatorian. Full implementation of this system will occur with the class of 2021. A valedictorian and salutatorian will not be named after the class of 2020.

Summa Cum Laude	Magna Cum Laude	Cum Laude
4.2 or higher GPA	4.0-4.19 GPA	3.7-3.99 GPA
ACT of 28 or higher	ACT between 26-27	ACT between 22-25
95% attendance	95% attendance	95% attendance
5 AP/DC/IB credits	4 AP/DC/IB credits	3 AP/DC/IB credits
4 extra/co-curricular activities	3 extra/co-curricular activities	2 extra/co-curricular activities.

