

2025–2026 Northfield High School Profile

ABOUT OUR SCHOOL

Located 40 miles south of Minneapolis, Northfield High School is a grade 9–12 public school serving approximately 1,340 students. Also located in Northfield are Carleton College and St. Olaf College. We offer an incredible array of opportunities for a school of our size and are proud to be among the top schools in Minnesota in a variety of categories, including National Merit Scholarship recognition, Minnesota Comprehensive Assessment scores, ACT scores, and Advanced Placement (A.P.) offerings and scores. Our school year is on a semester schedule with school days divided into seven periods, each approximately 50 minutes in length.

FACULTY

Seventy-three percent of our licensed faculty members hold a master's degree or higher.

CURRICULUM

Northfield High School students choose from a wide array of courses in art, business, English, family and consumer science, industrial technology, math, music, physical education, science, social studies, wellness and world languages (Spanish, French and German). A full list of course offerings is available at: *northfieldschools.org/courses*.

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Northfield High School students are engaged in a wide array of co-curricular activities, including athletics, academic activities, music and theatre, and a wide variety of clubs. Approximately 85% of Northfield students take part in these activities where leadership development is emphasized. Student Council, LINK, RALIE, Bleacher Captains, and Captain's Training are just a few examples of the student leadership programs at our school.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Twenty-three credits are required in grades 9–12. Semester courses are worth 0.5 credit; year-long courses are worth 1.0 credit. Credit distribution is as follows:

ENGLISH: 4.0 credits
MATH: 3.0 credits
SCIENCE: 3.0 credits

SOCIAL STUDIES: 3.5 credits PHYSICAL EDUCATION: 1.0 credit

HEALTH: 0.5 credit

ART: 1.0 credit
ELECTIVE: 7.0 credits
CLASS OF 2028 AND BEYOND

.5 PERSONAL FINANCE

SUPERINTENDENT

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GRADING SYSTEM

A+/A 4.0	в 3.0	с 2.0	р 1.0
а- 3.667	в- 2.667	c- 1.667	D- 0.667
B+ 3.333	c+ 2.333	D+ 1.333	F 0

Under the weighted system, all A.P. course grades are weighted an additional 25% in GPA points as follows:

A 5.0

в 3.75

c 2.5

Semester 2 Grading Scale* (March 16, 2020, through June 30, 2020)

A: 90% | B: 80%-89% | CP (Pass): 50%-79% | CF (Non-Pass): 0%-49%

*Grades that are documented during this time period reflect the distance-learning period resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. Future use of these grades for academic placement, admission, acceleration or remediation is discouraged and should only be used with caution after balancing the information against student performance in other grading periods.

Honors / Advanced Courses

Advanced American Literature Advanced English 11 Advanced English 9 Foundations for A.P. Sciences Honors Algebra 2 Honors Art

Advanced Placement and Concurrent Enrollment Courses

3-D Art and Design
Biology
Calculus AB
Chemistry
Composition 101
Computer Science A
Environmental Science
German Language

German 4
Human Geography
Literature &
Composition
Macro Economics
Physics C-Mechanics
Psychology
Public Speaking

Spanish Language Statistics U.S. Government and Politics U.S. History World History

Advanced Placement Exams 2025

STUDENTS TESTED: 343
TOTAL EXAMS: 569
SCORING 3 OR HIGHER: 75%

Advanced Placement Exams

2025 Exams	Total Exams	Average Score
3D Art and Design	8	3.00
Biology	54	4.13
Calculus AB	40	3.48
Calculus BC	3	4.00
Chemistry	34	3.03
Computer Science A	8	3.38
English Literature & Composition	25	3.88
Environmental Science	35	3.29
German Language	8	2.25
Macroeconomics	19	3.16
Microeconomics	4	4.45
Physics C Mechanics	48	2.42
Psychology	53	3.15
Spanish Language and Culture	13	2.85
Statistics	40	3.45
U.S. Government and Politics	19	3.58
U.S. History	49	3.35
World History	107	3.09

ACT Average Scores

Year	Tested	English	Math	Reading	Science	Composite
2024	287	20.2	21.8	22.5	22.3	21.8
2023	319	21.7	22.5	23.8	23.5	23
2022	284	20.4	20.9	22.9	22.3	21.7
2021	288	20.1	22.4	22.4	22.7	21.8
2020	299	20.5	21.9	22	22	21.7

National Merit Recognition

Class of	Finalists	Semi-Finalists	Commended	Total
2025	1	0	2	3
2024	0	2	4	6
2023	0	1	1	2
2022	0	0	3	3
2021	0	1	2	3

CLASS OF 2025 POST-SECONDARY PLANS

GRADUATES: 295 ROTARY EXCHANGE BEFORE COLLEGE: N/A WORKFORCE/GAP YEAR: 13% MILITARY: 3% UNKNOWN/OTHER: 4% FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE: 64%

TWO-YEAR/APPRENTICESHIP COLLEGE: 16%

Augsburg University (1) Augustana University (4) Bethel University (2) Boston College (1) Carleton College (1) Carroll University (1) College of St. Benedict (3) Colorado College (2) Colorado State University (2) Concordia College Moorhead (1) Concordia University - St. Paul (1) Creighton University (1)

Dakota County Technical College (12)

Drake University (2) Ferris State University (1) Gustavus Adolphus College (11) Hennepin Technical College (1) Inver Hills Community College (4) Iowa Lakes Community College (1) Iowa State University (4)

Johns Hopkins University (1)

Kenyon College (1)

Lake Area Technical College (1) Lake Forest College (1)

Loyola University - Chicago (1)

Luther College (2) Macalaster College (5) Marian University (1)

Metropolitan State University (1) Milwaukee School of Engineering (2)

Minnesota State University - Mankato (9)

MN School Of Beauty (1) Model College of Hair Design (1) Montana State University (1) Normandale Community College (2)

North Dakota State College of Science (1)

Oklahoma State University (1)

Pomona College (1) Purdue University (1) Reed College (1)

Riverland Community College (1) Rochester Com. and Tech. College (2)

St. Cloud State University (1) St. John's University (3) South Central College (5) South Dakota State (4) Southwest Minnesota State (1)

St. Olaf College (13)

University of Dubuque (1)

University of Florida (1) University of Illinois (1) University of Iowa (2)

University of Jamestown (1)

University of Mary (1)

University of Minnesota - Crookston (1) University of Minnesota - Duluth (11) University of Minnesota - Rochester (1) University of Minnesota - Twin Cities (13) University of Nebraska - Lincoln (1)

University of North Dakota (4) University of St. Thomas (9) University of the Pacific (1)

University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire (3) University of Wisconsin - Green Bay (1) University of Wisconsin - La Crosse (2) University of Wisconsin - Madison (10) University of Wisconsin - River Falls (5) University of Wisconsin - Stout (3)

University of Wisconsin - Whitewater (2) Washington State University (1)

Wheaton College (4) Winona State University (7)