COLLEGE SUPPORT
HVA High places strong emphasis on college readiness, with 100% of students accepted to college each year. All students participate in a two-year college preparatory program in junior and senior year. This program includes ACT prep, application support, college advising, and financial aid guidance. We also have a dedicated team that supports alumni through their college journey via individual check-ins, visiting students on their campus and connecting them with resources.
## 2020-2021 HVA High Profile

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**ARTS** Introduction to Art, 2-D Art, 3-D Art, Piano, Choir, Voice, Art Studio I, IB Theater Y1 & Y2, Mixed Media

**PHYS ED** PE, Health, Weight Training & Conditioning (Regular & Advanced)

**ELECTIVES** Psychology, Abnormal Psychology, Study Skills, College Prep I - IV, Theory of Knowledge, Fundamentals of Writing, Creative Writing, Short Stories, Film Studies, Reading Lab I & II, Forensics, Dance

### COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES

- Albright College
- American University
- Babson College
- Bentley College
- Boston College
- Bowdoin College
- Brown University
- Bucknell University
- Canisius College
- Carnegie-Mellon University
- College of the Holy Cross
- Columbia University
- Cornell University
- City University of New York
- Colgate University
- College of Mount Saint Vincent
- Dartmouth College
- DePauw University
- Drexel University
- Fairfield University
- Emory University
- George Mason University
- George Washington University
- Georgetown University
- Hampshire University
- Hobart & William Smith College
- Howard University
- Iona College
- Ithaca College
- Long Island University-Post
- Macaulay Honors College
- Mercy College
- Morgan State College
- New York University
- Pepperdine University
- Quinnipiac University
- Rochester Institute of Technology
- Saint Francis College
- Seton Hall University
- Skidmore College
- Spelman College
- St. John’s University
- Stanford University
- St. Lawrence University
- SUNY Albany
- SUNY Buffalo State
- SUNY Binghamton
- SUNY Cobleskill
- SUNY Geneseo
- SUNY Fredonia
- SUNY New Paltz
- SUNY Old Westbury
- SUNY Oswego
- SUNY Plattsburgh
- SUNY Stony Brook
- SUNY University at Buffalo
- Syracuse University
- Temple University
- Tuskegee University
- Tufts University
- University of Michigan
- University of Miami
- University of New Mexico
- University of Pennsylvania
- University of Rochester
- University of Virginia
- University of Washington in St. Louis
- University of Wisconsin at Madison
- Wesleyan University
- Yale University

*This is a selected list. Bold indicates matriculations.*
In response to the global pandemic, HVA High held its last day of in person instruction on March 13. Initially anticipating a temporary shutdown, New York City public schools were not permitted to reopen for the remainder of the school year. We quickly transitioned to online instruction seeking to maintain our rigorous standards of learning while also being respectful of the tremendous challenges this shift presented. Living in the original U.S. epicenter of this outbreak, many of our students had to contend with a bevy of challenging circumstances including, but not limited to: family members diagnosed or lost from COVID-19, increased home responsibilities with younger siblings, loss of income in their household, food insecurity, inadequate wi-fi and technological devices, and lack of suitable work space.

Due to these unprecedented circumstances, the Class of 2020’s junior year and college process were negatively impacted in a myriad of ways including, but not limited to:

- There was significant disruption to their test preparation and limited opportunities for students to take official exams more than once due to closed testing facilities.
- Students who were studying for the June NY State Regents exams lost the chance to exhibit their proficiency due to their cancellation. Instead their exam score is demarcated with an ‘E’ (exemption) which is indicative of the fact that they passed the course work associated with that exam.
- The NYC Department of Education released guidance that students should be given until January of 2021 to complete coursework for a passing grade in classes and as such, some transcripts include ‘NC’ as a placeholder for a final course grade. We ask that no assumptions are made about academic performance or ability for students with an ‘NC’.
- The demands of remote instruction also impacted teachers who accepted fewer recommendation requests as they prioritized core instructional responsibilities.

We ask that these factors be considered in the wholistic review of student applications. This fall, our students have had the benefit of starting their academic year nearly a month before NYC DOE schools. Our schedule allows for classes to meet 4-5 times weekly for live instruction, discussion and exploration.

**TRANSCRIPTS**

By policy HVA does not assign students a class rank.

- Upper level language classes receive an added GPA weight of 0.5.
- IB classes with grades of A through C- receive an added GPA weight of 1.0.
- Weighted course grades are reflected only in the cumulative GPA, not in individual course grades.
- Course credit is awarded annually.

**GPA DISTRIBUTION**

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*AS OF JUNE 2020*