



2020-2021

# Elk River High School Profile

## Mission Statement

Our mission is to educate, inspire & empower our diverse learners, to shape their futures, to accomplish their dreams and to contribute positively to our local and global communities

## Community

ISD 728 Elk River Area School District (ERASD) is the eighth largest school district in Minnesota. We are a progressive district located 35 miles northwest of Minneapolis. We proudly serve approximately 13,000 neighborhood students and more than 50,000 total lifelong learners in all or parts of **Albertville, Dayton, Elk River, Otsego, Ramsey, Rogers, St. Michael, Zimmerman** and the townships of **Big Lake, Baldwin, Burns, Livonia, Nowthen, Orrock and Stanford**. ISD 728 students continue to outperform the majority of their peers locally and nationally on state and national exams. More specifically and in 2017, ISD 728 students ranked #1 in Mathematics when compared to peers in the top 10 largest Minnesota school districts and #3 in both Reading and Science.

## Curriculum

ERHS offers a wide variety of courses in order to challenge each student to achieve his or her potential. Over 167 courses are offered, some at different ability levels. Courses are offered on a semester basis (two semesters a year). Classes are 6 periods in a day, 172 student days per year. Students receive one credit per semester for each course successfully completed (proctors receive .5 credit). To view course descriptions go to:

<https://www.isd728.org/domain/1183> - on the left menu bar under **Additional**

**Resources** you will find the **Course Description Guide**.

## Rigorous Course Opportunities

### Advanced Placement (AP) courses (weighted):

<i>Art History</i>	<i>English Lit &amp; Comp 12</i>	<i>Statistics</i>
<i>Biology</i>	<i>Human Geography</i>	<i>Studio Art (2-D, 3-D, Drawing)</i>
<i>Calculus AB &amp; BC</i>	<i>Macroeconomics</i>	<i>US Government &amp; Politics</i>
<i>Chemistry</i>	<i>Music Theory</i>	<i>US History</i>
<i>Computer Science</i>	<i>Physics</i>	<i>World History</i>
<i>English Lang &amp; Comp 11</i>	<i>Psychology</i>	

### Concurrent Enrollment Courses (weighted):

ISD 728 has partnered with Pine Technical College, St. Cloud State University, and University of Minnesota to offer the following college-level classes to juniors and seniors in the high school setting. Students earn college credits in conjunction with meeting high school graduation requirements:

<i>College Algebra</i>	<i>College Pre-Calculus</i>
<i>College Int. Spanish Lang. I &amp; II</i>	<i>Essential of Human Anatomy &amp; Physiology CIS</i>
<i>College Intro to Psychology</i>	<i>French 102 &amp; 201</i>
<i>College Intro to Sociology</i>	<i>German 102 &amp; 201</i>
<i>College Physics</i>	<i>College Principals of Macroeconomics</i>

### Post-Secondary Enrollment Option (non-weighted)

In addition, qualified juniors and seniors may attend eligible Minnesota post-secondary institutions with tuition, fees and textbooks paid by the school district.

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School Code/CEEB: 240720

**Superintendent** .....Mr. Daniel Bittman

## Main Office

**763-241-3555 Attendance Reporting**

**763-241-3434 Main Office**

**763-241-3421 Fax-Main Office**

**Principal** .....Mr. Terrance Bival

## Assistant Principals

Mrs. Amanda Ohlgren...(Gr 9 & Gr 10 A-L)

Mr. Bryan Scherr.....(Gr 10 M-Z & Gr 11)

Mrs. Julie Odegard .....(Gr 12)

## Senior Secretary

Mrs. Jenn Bartlett..... x2105

**Activities Director**.. Michael Cunningham

## Counseling Office

**763-241-3424 Counseling Office**

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### Counselors

### Last Names

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## Elk River High School

- ✓ Opened in 1888
- ✓ One of five public high schools in District #728
- ✓ Grades 9-12
- ✓ Enrollment: 1,728
- ✓ Size of Senior Class: 447
- ✓ Demographics:
  - 87.91% White
  - 2.89% Hispanic
  - 1.91% Asian
  - 3.94% Two or more races
  - 2.95% Black
  - .41% American Indian

## AVID

AVID Advancement via Individual Determination, is a school-wide system which emphasizes a college/career ready culture throughout ERHS. The curriculum is based off of WICOR (writing, Inquiry, Collaboration, Organization, Reading). AVID is also an elective class offered to students who need a push towards a more rigorous curriculum and ultimately onto a 4-year University.

## Graduation Requirements

A total of 43 semester credits are required for graduation.

	Class of 2018 and above
English	8
Social	7
Math	6
Science	6
Fine Arts	2
Health	1
Physical Education	1
Elective Courses	12
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>43</b>

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## Grading Scale

Grades are assigned based on the percentage of points earned in each course. The chart below is used by high schools in ISD 728 to determine the academic grade that students receive.

GRADING SCALE FOR DISTRICT #728 SECONDARY SCHOOLS			
100-94 =	A	76-73 =	C
93-90 =	A-	72-70 =	C-
89-87 =	B+	69-68 =	D+
86-83 =	B	67-66 =	D
82-80 =	B-	65 =	D-
79-77 =	C+	64 =	F

Other Marks
*=Denotes weighted grading
I=Incomplete
S=Pass with Credit
U=Not Passed, No Credit
W=Withdrawn, No Credit
The letter grade "S", "U", or "W" are not Calculated into the grade point average (GPA).

## Grading Weights

Grades that students earn in their courses are used to calculate their overall Grade Point Average (GPA). To calculate GPA, grades are assigned Honor Points based on a 4.00 grading scale. Advanced Placement (AP) and concurrent enrollment courses have a high level of difficulty. The grade in one of these courses is awarded more honor points than the same grade in a regular class.

Grade	Regular Class Honor Points	Weighted Class Honor Points
A	4.00	4.34
A-	3.67	4.00
B+	3.34	3.67
B	3.00	3.34
B-	2.67	3.00
C+	2.34	2.67
C	2.00	2.34
C-	1.67	2.00
D+	1.34	1.34
D	1.00	1.00
D-	.67	.67
F	.00	.00

## Recent Test Scores

ACT – Composite Score (American College Test)				
Year	ERHS	District	State	Nat'l
2019	21.4	21.4	21.4	20.7
2018	21.7	21.8	21.3	20.8
2017	22.2	21.9	21.5	21.0
2016	21.4	21.9	21.1	20.8
2015	23.3	23.2	22.7	21.0

## Athletics & Activities

Athletics	
Baseball	Nordic Ski, B/G
Basketball, B/G	Soccer, B/G
Cross Country Running	Softball
Dance Team	Strength & Speed
Football	Swim & Dive, B/G
Golf, B/G	Tennis, B/G
Gymnastics, G	Track and Field, B/G
Hockey, B/G	Volleyball
Lacrosse, B/G	Wrestling
Activities/Clubs	
728 Cadets	German Club
American Indian Ed	Knowledge Bowl
Anime-Manga Club	LINK
AVID	Math Team
Band/Pep Band	Media Production
Book Club	Multicultural Club
Bowling Club	National Honor Society
Choir	Prom
Culinary Team	Robotics
Dance-Fall	Serve
DECA	Spanish Club
Drama	Speech
Educators Rising	Strength & Speed
Environmental Club	Student Council
EPIC	Trap Team
Equestrian Club	Writer's Club
Figure Skating	Yearbook
French Club	Yellow Ribbon Club
GSA (Gay Straight Alliance)	