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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION BLUE RIBBON SCHOOLS OF EXCELLENCE

A Current Profile

Township High School District 211 serves the communities of Hoffman Estates, Inverness, Palatine, Schaumburg, and portions of Arlington Heights, Elk Grove Village, Hanover Park, Rolling Meadows, Roselle, South Barrington, and Streamwood in the northwest suburbs of Chicago. The community is largely composed of business and professional people who commute to Chicago and its suburbs.

Five high schools serve grades 9-12. Each school is accredited by the North Central Association and has earned full recognition status by the State Superintendent of Schools of Illinois. All five high schools have received the United States Department of Education's Blue Ribbon Secondary Schools Award, and Palatine has been recognized twice. Palatine High School was one of only 10 schools nationally to be named a "New American High School" by the U.S. Department of Education in 2000. Three schools – Palatine, William Fremd, and Schaumburg High Schools – were named among the "Top 99" high schools in the country by *U.S. News & World Report*.

District 211's Graduation Requirements

Complete 18 academic units of credit and physical education credit for each semester of attendance (total of 20 units).

- 1 unit* each of United States History and either Social Science Survey or 1/2 unit each of Government and Economics
- 2 units of mathematics**
- 2 units of science
- 1 unit of foreign language, art, music, or vocational education
- 4 units of English
 1/2 unit of Consumer
 Education
 1/2 unit of Health

Complete 30 hours of instruction in safety education as a part of driver education
Pass a qualifying examination on the State and Federal Constitutions, Declaration of Independence, American flag, and the Australian Method of Voting

*1 unit equivalent to 1 year

Facts at a Glance

- District 211 is the largest high school district in Illinois
- Five schools: James B. Conant, William Fremd, Hoffman Estates, Palatine, and Schaumburg High Schools
- Enrollment (2006-2007): 12,736
 Palatine High School: 2,552
 William Fremd High School: 2,925
 James B. Conant High School: 2,542
 Schaumburg High School: 2,584
 Hoffman Estates High School: 2,133
- Tax rate (2005): 2.191%
- Operating expense per pupil: \$13,576
- Bond rating: Aa-2
- Equalized assessed valuation: \$8,143,076,872
- Operating budget (2006-2007 preliminary): \$234 million
- Districtwide college-bound (Class of 2006): 88%
- Districtwide ACT examination composite: 22.3 (statewide composite 20.5 and 21.1 national composite)
- 983 certificated staff members; 81% with master's degrees or beyond
- Student/teacher ratio is 14.1:1
- Curriculum of more than 270 courses, a sixweek summer school, and advanced placement opportunities in 19 courses
- 13 students were named 2005-2006 National Merit Scholars and 479 students were named 2005-2006 Illinois State Scholars

Board of Education: Debra Strauss, President; Martha Swiercezewski, Vice President; Charles Fritz, Jr., Secretary; Lynn Davis; Anna Klimkowicz; Robert LeFevre, Jr.; and Bill Lloyd.

^{**}beginning with the class of 2009, 3 units of mathematics including successful completion of a 300level course will be required