# ROY C. KETCHAM SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL



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# 2022-2023 School Profile

#### **OUR SCHOOL**

#### "Dedicated to Excellence"

Established in 1962, Roy C. Ketcham High School is a fouryear public high school serving grades 9-12 in the Wappingers Central School District. Informally known as Ketcham or RCK, our school has been listed among the top 1000 schools in the nation by MSNBC/Newsweek Magazine.

# Principal

David Seipp

Enrollment: 1674 students
Senior Class: 438 students
School Year: Two 20 week semesters
School Day: Eight 46 minute periods

### Accreditation

New York State Department of Education Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools via The Tri-State Consortium (NY,CT, NJ)

### SCHOOL COUNSELORS

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#### **OUR COMMUNITY**

The Wappingers Central School District is one of the largest school districts in New York State with an enrollment of over 12,000 students. The District covers 110 square miles in southern Dutchess County and serves a residential suburban community with a population of approximately 75,000. A large percentage of our residents are college graduates engaged in professional careers. Our community is rich in retail and professional employment opportunities. IBM Corporation is a major local employer, along with other computer-related and "high tech" manufacturing companies. New York City is within commuting distance. Vassar College, Marist College, and Dutchess Community College are located in nearby Poughkeepsie. Other institutions of higher learning in the area include: Bard College, Mount Saint Mary College, the State University of New York at New Paltz, and the Culinary Institute of America.

#### **OUR FACULTY**

Ninety-five percent of district faculty hold a Master's degree or higher and nearly fifty percent have ten or more years of teaching experience. The student-to-teacher ratio at Ketcham is approximately 15:1.

## **ACADEMICS**

Ketcham students benefit from a rich curriculum including courses in art, business, family and consumer science, health, English Language Arts, mathematics, music, physical education, science, social studies, technology, and world languages (French, Italian and Spanish).

### **Graduation Requirements**

English Language Arts	4.00
Social Studies	
Math	3.00
Science	3.00
Foreign Language	1.00
Health	0.50
Physical Education	2.00
Art/Music	1.00
Electives	3.50
Total Credits Required	22.00

Students must demonstrate proficiency by passing a minimum of five New York State Regents Examinations in English, Social Studies, Science, Math or alternative pathway.

## Class Rank & Grade Point Average

Grade point averages reported to colleges and universities are unweighted. Class rank is weighted.

## Weighting System

Regular Regents 1.00 Honors 1.05 AP/College Courses 1.10

Grades based on a 100 point scale, with 65% the minimum passing grade.

## Advanced Placement Courses (subject to enrollment)

In 2022, 210 Ketcham students took a total of 401 AP exams. Fifty of our students qualified as AP Scholars.

## AP Courses (20 Total)

AP History: European AP Biology AP Calculus - AB AP History: US AP Calculus - BC AP History: World AP Chemistry AP Italian Language AP English Language AP Music Theory AP English Literature AP Participation in Govt.

AP Env. Science **AP Physics** 

AP French Language AP Spanish Language

AP Macro Economics **AP Statistics** AP Micro Economics AP Studio Art

**AP Recognition** 

Class of	2019	2021	2022
AP Scholars	22	21	24
AP Scholars w/ Honor	21	10	10
AP Scholars w/ Distinction	11	13	16
National Scholars	1	0	0

## **College Programs (Concurrent Enrollment)**

Ketcham also has a strong concurrent enrollment program. Ketcham juniors and seniors will take college classes on our campus through agreements with Dutchess Community College, Marist College, Syracuse University, and SUNY Albany. In addition, many students will take Project Lead the Way pre-engineering courses through the Rochester Institute of Technology.

## Concurrent Enrollment Courses (subject to enrollment)

DCC English 101 & 102	DCC Economics
DCC Government	DCC Psychology
DCC Accounting	Droiget Load the \

Project Lead the Way (RIT) DCC Accounting Forensic Science (Syracuse) DCC Pre-Calculus DCC Calculus Italian (SUNY Albany)

#### EXTRACURRICULAR PROGRAMS

Roy C. Ketcham High School offers a complete range of extracurricular programs in which a majority of our student body is actively involved. Approximately, thirty-five teams and thirty clubs involve students in special interest areas including interscholastic sports, drama, music, art, literature, journalism, business, government, debate, and academic pursuits. As well, graduates logged over 15,000 hours of community service both as a requirement to graduate and to lend a hand to the community.

## Standardized Testing

## Class of 2023 SAT SCORES

#### **Total Mean Scores**

(Number of students tested: 46)

Total Mean Score 1128 Reading/Writing Mean Score - 566 Math Mean Score - 562

**National Merit Recognition** 

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Class of	2020	2021	2022
Commended	2	4	4
Semifinalists	1	1	1
Finalists	1	0	1

The Class of 2022 had 386 graduates. 85% continued their formal education full time, 48% enrolled in four year colleges and universities, 38% enrolled in two-year colleges, and 1% in vocational schools. Of the other graduates, 1% enlisted in the military and 9% entered the workforce. There were nine recipients of the New York State Regents Scholarship for Academic Excellence. Recent graduates were accepted by some of the nation's most prestigious colleges and universities. Locally, RCK graduates attended Dutchess Community College, Marist College, Mount Saint Mary College, SUNY New Paltz, Vassar College, and the Culinary Institute of America.

## **Diploma Summary - Class of 2022**

Of the 386 graduating seniors, 62% percent received Regents Diplomas with Advanced Designation, 37% received Regents Diplomas and 1% received CDOS or other certification.