

Kempsville High School

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Profile 2007-2008



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Mission Statement

We at Kempsville High School are committed to providing an inviting place of learning where trust and mutual respect prevail. We are dedicated to helping one another achieve maximum potential by providing a high-quality instructional program, fostering creativity, developing a cultural awareness, and encouraging self-directed learning. We recognize the importance of motivating and involving everyone in the total school program. We strive to instill in students a desire for lifelong learning and to prepare them for their roles in a global society. We seek the support of the parents and the community to fulfill this mission.

History of the School

The original Kempsville High School opened its doors to students in 1924. The present building, which opened in 1966, is the third building to have the name Kempsville High School. From 1959 until 1966, students living in the Kempsville area attended Princess Anne High School. In 1966, when the growth of the city required the construction of neighborhood high schools, Kempsville High School reopened at its current location, serving grades eight through twelve. In 1969, grades eight and nine moved to the newly-opened Kempsville Junior High School. The ninth grade moved back to the high school in 1993. Currently, Kempsville High School houses approximately 2300 students in grades nine through twelve. It is located about one mile south of route 44. The mascot is Chief Kemp and the school colors are red, royal blue, and silver.

School and Community Information

Kempsville High School is one of ten high schools in the Virginia Beach City School System. It is a comprehensive high school housing grades 9-12. Located in the western section of the city, it draws students from apartment and townhouse complexes, and single family homes. The school day is organized into an A/B block schedule with four class periods of 93 minutes each. Within a normal day, students attend three classes and a 42-minute study block and a 41-minute lunch. Upon request, students may enroll in seven or eight classes in lieu of lunch and study block. Semester courses earn one-half credit, and year courses earn one credit upon successful completion of the course. While enrolled in academics at Kempsville High School, students can also attend additional programs. These include dual enrollment, the Governor's Magnet School for the Arts, the Technical and Career Education Center, Virginia Beach Central Academy, and the evening credit program at Open Campus High School.

Student Population September 2007

Total enrollment	1871
Ninth Grade	550
Tenth Grade	443
Eleventh Grade	459
Twelfth Grade	419

Graduate Profile 2007

42%	four-year college
41%	two-year college
5%	other continuing education
12%	military or employment

Curriculum

Honors Courses: English 9, 10, 11, 12
Advanced Placement Courses: Studio Art, Art History, English Literature and Composition, English Language and Composition, U.S. History, Human Geography, Government, European History, Psychology, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Environmental Science, Statistics, Calculus AB, French, Spanish, German, and Calculus AB and Latin.

Distribution of Cumulative Average - The Class of 2007

The range of GPAs is based upon 8 semesters of schooling plus high school courses completed in middle school. An interim GPA is calculated in the fall, based on 6 semesters. Final GPA and rank are computed at the end of the senior year after the completion of eight semesters of study.

4.0 and above	....10
3.5-3.99	.....31
3.0-3.49	.....66
2.5-2.99	.....74
2.0-2.49	.....104
1.5-1.99	.....51
1.0-1.49	.....38
Below 1.0	.....3

National Merit Program

The Class of	2007	2008
Semi-finalists	.....1	0
Commended	.....2	4

National Achievement Program

The Class of	2007	2008
Finalists	.....0	0
Commended	.....0	1

Achievement

The mean SAT I scores for Kempsville High School, Virginia Beach City Public Schools, and the nation are as follows:

	2006 Verbal Math	2007 Verbal Math
KHS	506 521	
Virginia Beach	497 505	
National	503 518	

Seventy-two percent of the students who took the Advanced Placement exams in 2007 scored a three, four, or five.