Aspires to help all members of its community develop a sense of balance and synergy from the four basic human needs: the need to live, the need to love, the need to learn, and the need to leave a legacy.

**Dakota Ridge High School Profile 2019-2020**

**School and Community:**
Dakota Ridge High School is a comprehensive four-year technologically advanced high school that opened its doors on August 20, 1990 - we celebrated our 20th school year in 2015-2016. It is one of 17 traditional high schools in Jeffco Public Schools, Colorado's 2nd largest school district, serving over 86,000 students. DRHS is located in southwest suburban Denver with a total enrollment of approximately 1500 students. Students are scheduled for a maximum of four 90-minute BLOCK classes per day, alternating every other day. Within these eight blocks, all students can take six half-credit academic courses each semester, plus a mandatory Seminar class, while underclassmen are also enrolled in a no-credit Study Hall.

**Grading System:**
- **Weighted:**
  - 5.0=A
  - 4.0=A
  - 3.0=C
  - 2.0=C
  - 1.0=D (lowest passing grade)
  - 0.0=F
- **Unweighted:**
  - 5.0=A
  - 4.0=A
  - 3.0=B
  - 2.0=C
  - 1.0=D
  - 0.0=F

**Grade Point Average** and class rank are based on grades 9-12 only. Honors, AP, and IB classes are indicated on the transcript and are weighted for both GPA and class rank.

**Class Rank:** Students at DRHS are ranked on both a weighted and unweighted scale.

**2018-2019 College Entrance Mean Test Scores:**
- **APRIL 2019 JUNIOR TEST ONLY:**
  - **SAT Mean Score (1600 Scale):**
    - **ERW Score:** 543
    - **Math Score:** 541

**Class of 2019 Post-Graduate Plans**
- **Total College Apps:** 882
- **Apps Per Student:** 2.7
- **4-Year Colleges:** 72%
- **In-State:** 78%
- **Out-of-State:** 22%
- **Public Colleges:** 86%
- **Private Colleges:** 14%
- **2-Year/Tech Colleges:** 12%
- **Military:** 3%
- **Employed Only:** 3%
- **Gap Year/Undecided:** 7%
- **Career Ed/Apprentice:** 3%

**Honors Courses Offered:**
- Pre-Calculus/Trigonometry Honors
- Biology Honors
- Chemistry Honors
- Physics Honors
- U.S. Government Honors
- World Geography Honors
- Spanish I-II-III Honors
- French I-II Honors
- German I-II Honors

**Advanced Placement Courses Offered (10th-12th Grades Only):**
- AP English Lang/Comp
- AP English Lit/Comp
- AP Statistics
- AP Calculus BC
- AP Computer Science Principles
- AP Biology
- AP Chemistry
- AP Physics
- AP U.S. History
- AP U.S. Government & Politics
- AP World History
- AP Spanish
- AP German

Dakota Ridge High School … Leaving a legacy of excellence
The International Baccalaureate (IB) Programme was founded in 1968 to provide a rigorous well-rounded education for students throughout the world so they would qualify for university study no matter where they had pursued their high school education. It is built upon the foundation of developing the intellectual, personal, emotional and social skills needed to live, learn, and work in a rapidly globalizing world, and it strives to develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young adults who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect. The IB Diploma Programme, therefore, has a common broad curriculum that is assessed by internationally developed and graded oral and written examinations. It is unique in that it provides an interdisciplinary education leading to a diploma, which is recognized throughout the world.

The requirements for the IB diploma include course work and passing scores on examinations in English, a foreign language, mathematics, experimental science, social studies, and one elective; completion of a course entitled Theory of Knowledge, a 4,000-word extended essay, and completion of CAS (Creativity, Activity, and Service). The Dakota Ridge High School IB Diploma Programme is currently offered to all students and celebrated its first IB Diploma graduating class in May 2015. Thus far, 92% of Dakota Ridge’s IB Programme Diploma Candidates have earned their IB Diploma, with the highest points ever awarded being a 42 (45 is perfect).

### International Baccalaureate Courses Offered:

- IB English Language 11 & 12
- IB Mathematical Studies
- IB Mathematics SL
- IB Biology (2 yrs.)
- IB Physics (2 yrs.)
- IB Sports/Exercise/Health Science
- IB History (2 yrs.)
- IB World Religion
- IB Language I - German
- IB Language I & II - French
- IB Language I & II - Spanish
- IB Music (2 yrs.)
- IB Visual Arts (2 yrs.)
- IB Theater Arts (2 yrs.)
- IB Business & Management (2 yrs.)
- IB Psychology

### Dakota Ridge HS International Baccalaureate (IB) Statistics:

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### Students from the Dakota Ridge High School Class of 2019 Enrolled at Nearly All Four-Year Colleges & Many Two-Year Colleges in the State of Colorado.

### Out-Of-State Colleges Accepting Members of the Class of 2019 (**Indicates student enrollment**)

- Arizona State University*
- Baylor University*
- Brevard College*
- Butler University
- Brigham Young University-Idaho*
- California Lutheran University
- Case Western Reserve University*
- Clemson University
- Colorado College
- Colorado State University
- Colorado School of Mines
- Colorado Women's University
- George Washington University
- Gonzaga University
- Hastings College*
- Indiana University
- Iowa State University*
- John Brown University*
- Loyola Marymount University
- Luther College*
- Michigan State University
- Montana State University*
- New York University
- Northern Arizona University*
- Oregon State University
- Pennsylvania State University
- Purdue University
- San Diego State University*
- St. Olaf College*
- Stony Brook University
- SUNY Buffalo
- Texas Christian University
- Texas A&M University
- Tulane University
- United States Air Force Academy*
- University of Arizona*
- University of California-Los Angeles
- University of California-San Diego*
- University of Colorado
- University of Delaware
- University of Denver
- University of Idaho
- University of Illinois
- University of Iowa
- University of Kansas
- University of Kentucky
- University of Maine
- University of Maryland
- University of Massachusetts
- University of Minnesota
- University of Mississippi*
- University of Missouri
- University of Nebraska*
- University of Nevada-Las Vegas
- University of New Orleans
- University of North Carolina
- University of Oklahoma
- University of Oregon
- University of Pennsylvania
- University of Portland
- University of Washington
- University of Wisconsin
- University of Wyoming*
- Utah State University
- Whittier College
- Willamette University

* = Indicates student enrollment