



Tupper Lake Central School District

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It is the mission of this school district and this community to set high expectations for our youth and to provide a well-rounded educational program which will enable our graduates to be productive and successful in their personal and professional lives. The Tupper Lake School District is in partnership with students' community and home to help each on achieving academic and personal excellence.

The Community

Situated in the heart of the 6-million acre Adirondack Park, Tupper Lake is an area well-known for its pristine waterways and majestic mountains that offer practically unlimited outdoor recreational opportunities. This setting is a haven for such activities as hiking, camping, biking, paddling, swimming, fishing, and golfing in the warmer months. Then as winter bears down on Tupper Lake, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, downhill skiing, snowboarding, hunting, snowmobiling, and skating take center stage.

Tupper Lake is home to educational attractions such as The Wild Center, a state-of-the-art natural science center, as well as the new and growing Adirondack Public Observatory. We are located in close proximity to the Adirondack Museum in Blue Mountain Lake, the Adirondack Park Visitor's Interpretive Centers in Paul Smiths and in Newcomb, and the Olympic facilities in Lake Placid. In addition, the town boasts a wide variety of free recreational attractions within the town borders including but not limited to, a new multi-use recreational trail which provides a scenic detour through our village, a beautiful public beach, a groomed cross-country ski center and a large public park offering countless recreational amenities.

The Village of Tupper Lake was incorporated in 1902. Tupper Lake began as the focal point of the Adirondack lumber industry, but with passing years, it has gradually turned to the health and recreation field to drive its economy. Sunmount Developmental Center is the largest employer in the school district. Sunmount provides services to developmentally disabled adults at its main campus and at group homes in a five county area. The local economy also relies heavily on tourism, forestry related jobs, state, county and local government employment and private business.

Tupper Lake is a close-knit community with a population of about 3500 permanent residents. The median age is 38.3 and 24% of households have children. The median household income is \$42,757. Educational levels of the community show that 85.4% hold a high school diploma, 34% completed some college and 12% a bachelor's degree or higher. The average cost of a home is \$93,000.

The School District

The Tupper Lake Central School District serves approximately 900 students in two buildings, grades Pre-K – 6 at LPQ Elementary School and grades 7-12 at Tupper Lake Middle / High School. The district employs six administrators, 100 teachers / teacher assistants and 77 support staff. The school district encompasses 280 miles including all of the Town of Tupper Lake in southern Franklin County as well as the Town of Piercefield and a portion of the Town of Colton in St. Lawrence County.

Curriculum

Our program is college preparatory for New York State Regents Diplomas. Students may pursue sequences in: English, social studies, mathematics, science, Spanish, Visual arts, music and technology. Online distance learning courses are available at both the high school and college level. One Advanced Placement course and eleven college courses are also available in the high school through the SUNY (State University of NY) system and Paul Smiths College. Career and Technical Education courses are available at the Adirondack Education Center in Saranac Lake in the areas of Culinary Arts, Automotive Technology, Building Trades, Cosmetology, Natural Resource Science, Health Occupations, New Visions Healthcare Career Exploration and New Vision Coding and Game Design. The New Visions program offers 12 optional college credits through SUNY.

Athletics

The sports program in grades 7-12 includes both intramurals and interscholastic competition. The various sports available for the students to choose from include football, soccer, volleyball, cross country, basketball, cheerleading, indoor/outdoor track, hockey, baseball, softball and golf.

Clubs and Activities

Many extra-curricular activities are available to middle and high school students. These include student government, student council, drama and musical productions, band, chorus, ski club, Nation Honor Society (and Junior National Honor Society), Yearbook, Audio / Video Club, S.A.D.D. (Students Against Destructive Decisions (and Junior S.A.D.D)), debate, and foreign language club.

Graduation Requirements

Graduation Requirements are outlined by New York State Education Department (www.nysed.gov)

Distribution of Grades (College Board)

97-100	A+	4.0	77-79	C+	2.3
93-96	A	4.0	73-76	C	2.0
90-92	A-	3.7	70-72	C-	1.7
87-89	B+	3.3	67-69	D+	1.3
83-86	B	3.0	65-66	D	1.0
80-82	B-	2.7	Below 65	F	0.0

Cumulative grade point averages are a straight average of all of the credit bearing courses listed on the student's transcript with a numerical grade. Courses which receive a pass/fail grades are not included.

**The average of the range will be used for students who transfer in with letter grades when calculating the GPA.*

Statistical Profile

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Class Size	63	59	58	64	62	47
Advanced Regents Diplomas	17	24	22	23	21	20
Regents Diplomas	31	29	25	31	32	21
Local Diplomas	11	5	11	7	7	4
IEP / CDOS Credential	1	1	0	3	2	2
GED	3	0	0	1	0	0
Post Graduate Plans						
Four year college	28%	41%	31%	33%	41%	40%
Two year college	43%	38%	43%	44%	29%	49%
Employment	28%	13%	23%	22%	29%	11%
Military	1%	7%	3%	1%	1%	0%
Other / Undecided						
SAT Scores						
number taking SAT	12	24	27	31	27	10
Mean Critical Reading	461	517	509	505	548	540
mean Math	493	527	513	503	517	511
mean Writing	449	509	497	485	488	
ACT Assessment						
number taking ACT	13	16	4	13	8	2
mean English	21.2	20.5	17.5	21.0	22.5	23.5
mean Math	22.1	22.3	17.5	20.8	23.1	21
mean Reading	21.8	23.3	19.5	23.5	24.	24.
mean Science	21.5	23.2	21.5	22.1	24.4	19.
mean Composite	21.8	22.3	19.0	21.8	23.6	22.

Examples of current Student Post-secondary Programs

Private 4 year Schools – Canicius College, Clarkson University, Elmira College, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Hamilton College, Hofstra University, Ithaca College, Keuka College, LeMoyne College, Marist College, Nazareth College, Norwich University, Paul Smiths College, Pratt Institute, Rochester Institute of Technology, University of Rochester, Russell Sage College, St. Lawrence University, College of St. Rose, Utica College, Wesleyan College, Yale University

State Colleges – SUNY Albany, Alfred State College, SUNY Brockport, Buffalo State College, SUNY Canton, SUNY Cobleskill, SUNY Cortland, SUNY Delhi, SUNY Fredonia, SUNY Geneseo, Morrisville State College, SUNY Oswego, SUNY Plattsburgh, SUNY Potsdam

Community College – Adirondack Community College, Clinton Community College, Herkimer Community College, Hudson Valley Community College, North Country Community College

Vocational Schools – University of Northwestern Ohio, Universal Technical Institute, Wyo Tech Institute

Military – Air Force, Army, Marines, Navy