



# Lawton Chiles High School

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## SCHOOL PROFILE 2025-2026

Lawton Chiles High School is a comprehensive, college preparatory, public high school located in Tallahassee Florida. Doors opened in August of 1999, to a class of only freshmen and sophomores. Our first graduating class was May of 2002. Our mission is "To build a tradition of excellence by providing a learning environment where students are challenged to be active learners, leaders, achievers, and contributors within the global community." A wide variety of Honors, Dual Enrollment and Advanced Placement courses are offered; as well as, career-based programs including Culinary Arts, Health Science, Web Design, and Communication Technology.

<b>Accreditation:</b>	Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
<b>2025-2026 Enrollment Data:</b>	Total Student Body (9 <sup>th</sup> to 12 <sup>th</sup> Grades) – 1869
<b>Class of 2026</b>	Graduating Seniors: 434

## CURRICULUM AND ACCADEMIC INFORMATION

### GRADING SCALE AFTER 2001-02 (STATEWIDE CHANGE)

A - 90-100

B - 80-89

C - 70-79

D - 60-69

F - 0-59

### CREDIT:

Half a credit (.50) is awarded per semester per class with a grade of a D or better.

### GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA):

The unweighted GPA is calculated on a 4.0 scale. The weighted GPA is calculated using the 4.0 scale, plus an additional quality point is awarded for a grade of a C or higher in Advanced Placement or Dual Enrollment classes, and .5 quality point is awarded for a grade of C or higher in Honors classes.

### CLASS RANK:

Rank is calculated by using the weighted GPA in all coursework. Rank is recalculated at the end of each semester

### HONORS AND ADVANCED PLACEMENT:

Honors courses are taught in all academic subject areas. For the 2025-2026 school year AP course offerings include: English Language & Composition, English Literature & Composition., American History, Macroeconomics, American Government, World History, European History, Psychology, Human Geography, Biology, Chemistry, Physics I, Physics II, Physics C:ME, Environmental Science, Precalculus, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Statistics, Latin, Spanish Language, Spanish Literature., French Language, Drawing, 2D Art Studio & Design, 3D Art Studio & Design, Art History, Computer Science, Computer Science Principals, Capstone-Seminar & Research

### DUAL ENROLLMENT:

Dual enrollment courses are offered through Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University on the CHS campus. These include: ENC 1101, ENC 1102, MAC 1105, & MGF 1130. Students also have the opportunity to participate in dual enrollment courses off-campus at Florida State University, Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University, Tallahassee State College, and Lively Technical College.

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GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS	REQUIRED COURSES
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>24 credits</li> <li>2.0 unweighted grade point average</li> <li>Passing score on the Grade 10 ELA (FAST)</li> <li>Passing score on Algebra I EOC</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4 credits in English</li> <li>4 credits in Math (to include Algebra I &amp; Geometry)</li> <li>3 credits in science (to include Biology)</li> <li>3 credits in Social Science (World History, US History, US Government, &amp; Economics)</li> <li>Personal &amp; Financial Literacy (Cohort 23/24 &amp; after)</li> <li>Physical Education (To include the integration of Health)</li> <li>1 Fine or Approved Practical Art</li> <li>8 Electives (7.5 electives Cohort 23/24 &amp; after)</li> </ul>

## NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM SUMMARY

	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
<b>National Merit Semi-Finalists</b>	4	14	5
<b>National Merit Finalist</b>	4	14	5
<b>National Merit Commended Scholar</b>	16	11	3

## ADVANCED PLACEMENT:

**Total tested:** 811      **Total tests taken:** 2,115      **>=3:** 75%

## LAWTON CHILES HIGH SCHOOL (testing year 2024-2025)

**SAT** Avg Composite-1192      Avg RW-598      Avg Math-594  
**ACT** Avg Composite-23.6      Avg English-22.5      Avg Reading-25.2      Avg Math-22.9      Avg Science-23.4

## GRADUATE PLACEMENTS:

**University - 52%**      **State College - 36%**      **Technical College - 4%**      **Military - 2%**      **Work Force - 6%**

Arizona State University; Auburn University; Bethune-Cookman University; Coker University; Duke University; Florida A&M University; Florida Atlantic University; Florida International University; Florida State University; Furman State University; Georgia Southern University; Jacksonville University; Lagrange College; Maryville College; Stanford University; Tallahassee State College; University of Central Florida; Thomas University; Troy University; US Merchant Marine Academy; West Point Academy; University of Alabama; University of Chicago; University of Florida; University of North Alabama; University of Oregon; University of Pittsburgh; University of Puerto Rico; University of South Florida; University of Tennessee; University of Georgia; University of West Florida; Valdosta State University; Lively Technical College; Georgia Northwestern Technical College; US Coast Guard; Chipola State College; US Marines; Tusculum University

## ACCOLADES

- Ranked #1,096 in national ranks (US News Ranks)
- Ranked 67<sup>th</sup> within Florida High Schools (US News Ranks)
- #1 in Tallahassee, FL Metro Area Schools & Leon County Schools (US News Ranks)
- AP participation rate is 67%.
- 99% graduation rate-68% proficient in math & 74% proficient in reading
- Average GPA 3.65
- Grade A from Niche.com
- Lawton Chiles HS is a Purple Star campus.

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