

Take a Look at Schaumburg High School



Schaumburg High School has a tradition of excellence, pride and school spirit. The facts below are just some of the many reasons for "Saxon Pride!"

- Schaumburg High School has been recognized by Newsweek as one of "**America's Best High Schools**" in 2016.
- Schaumburg High School has an enrollment of **2,140** students for the 2017-18 school year.
- The average daily attendance at SHS for the 2016-17 school year was **98.3%**.
- **92%** of the class of 2017 is attending a college or university, earning **\$8 million** dollars in merit-based scholarships.
- Schaumburg had 23 students recognized as **Academic Scholars**, representing the highest grade point averages in the Class of 2017.
- Schaumburg has **82 Illinois State Scholars** in the Class of 2017.
- 5 Schaumburg students earned commended recognition and 1 student was a finalist for the **National Merit Scholarship Program** in 2016.
- Two Schaumburg students qualified as (a) semifinalist in the **U.S. Presidential Scholars Program**.
- One Schaumburg student was named to the **Northwest Suburban Daily Herald Leadership Team**.
- Two Schaumburg students were named to the **Northwest Suburban Daily Herald Academic Team**.
- **Saxon PRIDE** represents what SHS students aspire to be every day! **Preparation, Respect, Integrity, Dedication, Everyone.** Over 150 students were nominated for Saxon PRIDE awards by staff members in 2016 – 17 as they exemplified Saxon PRIDE in and out of the classroom.
- The **Principal's Advisory Board** promote(s) Saxon PRIDE through ongoing communication between our principal, students and faculty members.
- **The Parent Advisory Board, The Very Interested Parent Boosters Club, the Band Boosters** work in partnership with SHS to foster and support amazing programming for our students.
- The Parent Advisory Board held our first student-focused job fair, "**Opportunity Knocks**" in April, 2017. With over 350 students in attendance, 40 employers in the area provided work opportunities for SHS students.
- 88% of the Class of 2018 are enrolled have enrolled in at least one dual credit or an Advanced Placement course.
- 1,308 Advanced Placement exams were taken at SHS in 2017, with 81% earning a score of 3, 4, or 5.
- The ESL Department currently has 96 students from 20 different countries, with 22 different first languages spoken by our students.
- SHS will unite in our effort to help conquer childhood cancer through our bi-annual **St. Baldrick's** event on March 16, 2018. Since 2010, SHS staff and students have raised over \$360,000.
- **Foreign Exchange Program** offers study abroad opportunities, with 26 SHS student(s) visiting, either Antigua, Guatemala; Munich, Germany; and Haguenau, France. Students immerse themselves in the culture by taking classes, staying with host families, exploring sites within the country. In addition, SHS hosted 18 students from Germany and France
- SHS students participated in the MCTA Chinese speech contest. 2 students won Gold medals in the Level I and V category and 1 student took the Bronze medal in the Heritage category.
- Schaumburg High School recognized Reshma Saujani as our **2016-17 Distinguished Graduate**. Reshma, author of *Girls Who Code: Learn to Code and Change the World*, founded PRISM, our first STEM program at SHS.
- One SHS student won the Best of Show (2D) at the **Harper Regional High School Art Show**. Students participated in the **D211 Moonwaltz Film Festival** and placed in several competitive areas, winning an award for best Direction in a Short Film.
- **Schaumburg High School's Music Department** has been recognized as a "Grammy Signature School" since 2004.

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More reasons for “Saxon Pride!”

- The **Saxon Marching Band** won the Septemberfest Parade in 2016.
- The SHS Band raised over \$1600 for Easter Seals through their annual **Band-Aid Concerts**.
- Two Schaumburg Students were named to the **Illinois Music Educators Association All-State Honors Jazz Ensemble and Orchestra**.
- Fifty SHS Music events received Division I “Superior” Ratings at **IHSA Music Solo and Ensemble Festival**. Four events earned perfect scores and four events also received “Best of Day” honors.
- The **SHS Wind Symphony** earned a “Superior” rating at the Chicagoland Invitational Concert Band Festival
- SHS had 62 students selected for the 2017-18 **District 211 Honors Music Ensembles**.

2016 – 17 Clubs and Activities

- SHS offers over 50 clubs and activities for students to become active members of the SHS community.
- The **SHS Poetry Club** had over 100 participants in 2016-17. The Slam Team qualified for quarterfinals for the first time ever and had one poet invited to perform at the semi-finals.
- **Speech Team** members competed in the Regional tournament with one student advancing to IHSA Sectionals. The Speech Team completed in the IHSA State Tournament, with one student placing 4th in Extemporaneous Speaking.
- The **SHS Debate Team** is the defending Illinois State Champion. SHS Debate has won IHSA State five out of the last six years. In addition, the SHS Debate Team competes at the Harvard University Debate Tournament, advancing to the semifinal round in February, 2017.
- **Engineering Club** participated, for their first time, in the Township High School District 214 Robot Rumble. They placed top 16 and are looking forward to participating again, this year.
- **Business Professionals of America (BPA)** won a Membership Explosion Award for 2016-2017. 34 SHS students placed in the top 10 at State. 9 students traveled to the National Leadership Conference, taking 3rd place in Personal Financial Management, and 10th in Financial Math and Analysis Concepts.
- **SHS Flags** participated in the Midwest Color Guard Circuit Championship Finals in the Scholastic Regional A (SRA) category earning 4th place.
- **Competitive Dance** competed in the Mid-Suburban League Competition with 16 Schaumburg students, earning 2nd place.
- 280 students and staff members donated blood in our 2 annual Blood Drives sponsored by **NHS**.
- SHS students and staff members participated in the Schaumburg Township’s **Adopt-A-Family** program, sharing holiday spirit to over 19 families and 4 senior citizens.
- **Lead Out Loud, Operation Snowball and Student Council** support **Saxon PRIDE** by building

student leaders to promote programs like Unity Week, Love is Louder, Homecoming, school spirit weeks, and Operation Snowball.

2016 – 17 Athletics

- **Girls Cross Country:** Team State Qualifier. Individual state medalist (8th place)
- **Girls Golf:** Individual State Qualifier
- **Girls Gymnastics:** Individual Conference Champion
- **Girls Swimming:** Individual State Qualifier
- **Girls Bowling:** Team State Qualifier, MSL West Champions (undefeated conference record)
- **Boys Wrestling:** Individual State Qualifier
- **Competitive Cheerleading:** Team State Qualifier
- **Boys Track and Field:** 2 Individual State Qualifiers, Individual Conference, Regional, and Sectional Champion
- **Boys Tennis:** State Qualifying Doubles Team
- **Girls Track and Field:** 8 Individual State Qualifiers, State Medalist Relay Team (4x800), Individual State Medalist
- **Boys Gymnastics:** Team State Qualifier, 5 Individual State Qualifiers, 1 Individual State Medalist
- **Girls Badminton:** State Qualifying Doubles Team