



# Your High School Comparison Guide

As you visit different high schools, fill in this guide to help compare each high school's features

<b>Things to Look for in a High School</b>	<b>General McLane High School</b>	<hr/> (School #2)	<hr/> (School #3)
<i>Cost of Tuition</i>	<p>General McLane's tuition is free for those living within the district</p> <p>For those outside of the district, the tuition is \$3,600 for 2012-2013</p>		
<i>Teacher Certification</i>	<p>All teachers have Pennsylvania certification and at least 24 credits past a bachelor's degree.</p> <p>Each teacher only teaches in his or her certified area.</p>		
<i>Student Success</i>	<p>Students have been accepted to many prestigious colleges and universities including Harvard, Yale, Princeton, MIT, RIT, Brown, and many others.</p> <p>General McLane graduates can be found living across the entire country.</p>		
<i>Successful Graduation and Beyond</i>	<p>Approximately 75% of GM graduates continue on to post-secondary degree program</p>		

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<i>Available Technology</i>	<p>Early adopter of technology; GM had a technology renovation in 1993; every teacher has had their own laptop since 2000.</p> <p>GM offers 5 fixed computer labs, with 5 mobile labs for student use. The first classroom set of iPads was deployed in 2011-2012</p>		
<i>Variety of Class Choices</i>	<p>Wide range of class choices, including computer, arts and humanities, cooking, family living skills, shop classes, and technology education.</p> <p>Many advanced classes such as Physics II, Calculus II, Biology II, and Chemistry II</p>		
<i>Performing Arts Opportunities</i>	<p>GM has various bands, choirs, and many performing opportunities, including the yearly Broadway Dinner, along with yearly big name plays, such as Les Miserables, and West Side Story.</p>		
<i>Advanced Levels of Math and Science</i>	<p>GM offers many upper level Math and Science courses, including Biology II, Physics II, Chemistry II, and Calculus II.</p> <p>The majority of General McLane students finish their high school career with some level of advanced Math or Science skills.</p>		

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<i>Foreign Language</i>	<p>GM offers German, Spanish, and French in five levels of study.</p> <p>In additions, trips to Germany, Mexico, France and Spain provide live-learning opportunities.</p>		
<i>Student Publication</i>	<p>General McLane has an award-winning student newspaper, The Lancer Ledger, and nationally recognized yearbook publication.</p> <p>GM offers a newspaper course in which students learn and engage in every step to publish the paper.</p>		
<i>Academic Competition Opportunities</i>	<p>GM offers many extracurricular academic opportunities including Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science, Junior Engineering Technology Society, Technology Ingenuity Challenge, Robotics Team, Academic Quiz Bowl and much more</p>		
<i>Character Education</i>	<p>General McLane School District has had a focus on character education since 2000. The high school holds student accountable to the “Lancer Code of Ethics” developed by student leaders.</p>		



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<i>Ease of Freshmen Transition</i>	<p>GM's Link Crew is a nationally acclaimed high school transition program that welcomes freshmen and makes them feel more comfortable throughout their first year of High School.</p> <p>Freshmen in this program have improved academic performance, increased attendance, and decreased disciplinary referrals.</p>		
<i>Volunteer Opportunities</i>	<p>Students have many opportunities to reach out and volunteer in their community through groups such as the Key Club, tutoring at the middle and elementary schools, and Habitat for Humanity</p>		
<i>Recognition</i>	<p>Named one of 100 best school districts in the nation by Offspring: The Magazine of Smart Parenting</p> <p>US News lists General McLane among America's Best Schools, saying it has "Challenging, college-ready curriculum"</p> <p>Erie Life Magazine lists General McLane as the #9 best reason to live in Erie County</p>		

*We hope this guide has been helpful to you. Good luck in finding the High School that best fits your needs.*