

THIS WEEK AT SKYLINE HIGH SCHOOL



COLLEGE & CAREER

Percentage of current students taking college and career courses:

- IB Classes: 19% of all eligible students take IB for a total of 550 classes taken. Only grades 11-12 can take IB courses. 200 additional students in grades 9-10 are currently taking pre-IB courses.
- AP Classes: 51% of all eligible students take AP for a total of 1953 classes taken.
- Concurrent: 13% of all eligible students take concurrent for a total of 336 classes taken at Skyline.
- CTE: 61% of all eligible students take CTE for a total of 1904 classes taken.



A MESSAGE FROM MR. MCDANIEL

As many of you are aware, Skyline High School is the top ranked public high school in Utah (U.S. News and World Report). After seven months as the principal of Skyline I have seen the data used for rankings, as well as other indicators that support this ranking.

Skyline High School is roughly 50% boundary and 50% permit students. I often hear that Skyline is an IB school. It is true that we are Granite District's only IB school. We are one of only a few in the state. While every student does not ultimately choose to take IB courses, the reputation and prestige of being an IB school does attract hundreds of students to Skyline. Were we only offering AP and concurrent, many of these students might stay at their boundary schools.

High achieving schools are not one trick ponies. Skyline also ranks high because we offer a robust advanced placement program and growing concurrent enrollment opportunities. Most of our students take courses from the entire *Advanced Menu* that we offer.

In addition to these courses, Skyline offers a variety of career and technical education courses. Students can complete pathways in a variety of career areas through Skyline and the GTI. We have plans to bring complete pathways to our campus in the near future.

It is easy to share data on academic programs, but there is more to the story of what makes a top school. Skyline offers incredible opportunities in the arts, debate, world languages and more. Not only are these academic as well, but they help support a comprehensive high school experience.

Beyond the classroom, Skyline is a great school that engages high numbers of students in athletics, clubs, and service. This school is a mini-city that rarely goes to sleep.

But if you ask me what really makes Skyline Utah's best school, I will tell you that it is our highly effective caring educators, parents who engage in their students' education in meaningful ways, and motivated students who choose to challenge themselves.