Welcome to the Pride of the City! Peoria High opened its doors in 1856 and is the oldest continuously operating high school west of the Allegheny Mountains. Rich in tradition and backed by a strong alumni association, Peoria High continues to produce the finest students excelling academically, artistically, and athletically. We are a 9th through 12th grade high school with an enrollment of approximately 1200 students. The Peoria High staff has received the latest in professional development in the areas of data-driven decision making and differentiated instruction to best serve all Peoria High students, preparing them for “College and Career Readiness”. In the pursuit of academic excellence, we provide students with a challenging, rigorous curriculum that is relevant to today’s learner while building strong relationships between students, teachers, staff, administration, and community.

**Principal**  
Dr. Annette Coleman

**Assistant Principals**  
Mrs. Maegan Skahill (12 & POP)  
Mr. Michael McCormick (11)  
Miss June Smothers (10)  
Miss Moiria Scott (9)

**Counselors**  
Freshman Academy = Mrs. Paula Webb  
A – G = Mr. Jared Lucas  
H – P = Miss Tammy Collier  
Q – Z = Miss Myskeshia Mitchell

Being a proud member of The Pride of the City, Peoria High, places high expectations on every students, staff member, and parents to hold themselves to a higher standard of success while representing first-class behavior in all areas of today’s society. It is our goal that wherever a member of the Pride of the City ventures, he/she will stand out as THE example of how to carry oneself in all aspects of life.

**MISSION**  
Here at Peoria High, a diverse community of learners with a rich tradition of excellence, I will actively participate in a safe and enriching learning environment where my needs and aspirations are customized. I will accomplish academic success, experience personal growth, and increase social responsibility.

**VISION**  
I will graduate Peoria High School college/career ready.

**MOTTO**  
At Peoria High School we are  
The Pride of the City since 1856!
**Academics**

Student achievement is a top priority at Peoria High. We offer a comprehensive academic program integrating fine arts and technology into the curriculum. We are continuously expanding our technological resources to ensure our students are able to compete in a global society that is increasingly technologically-driven.

Peoria High has a seven period day. This allows students an increased variety of course selection ranging from core academics, Advanced Placement, Fine Arts, Business, Foreign Language, Advanced Physical Education, AVID and other rigorous courses. Our vision is that all PHS students graduate College and Career ready. To facilitate this vision, we have an in-house partnership with ICC offering TRIO, and Dual Credit Courses to prepare students for a continuous journey of life-long learning.

**Community Involvement**

Integrating the vast wealth of community experiences and inviting the community into the school contribute to making us the “Pride of the City”. We provide community service projects and entertainment/performance opportunities for the community. The Pride Team (a student leadership group) contributes to the community through volunteerism and mentoring primary and middle school students. They inspire these students throughout the district with their motivational program called “Know Greater Heroes”. We strive to develop the whole student by providing a well-rounded, enriching educational experience at Peoria High that is grounded in serving community.

**Extra-Curricular**

Peoria High offers a large variety of extra-curricular activities for all students. A key component for academic success and positive social development is student involvement in extra-curricular activities. We encourage all Peoria High students to get involved and take an active role in their personal development as leaders.

Students and parents are invited to connect with the PHS Athletic Director, Mr. Brien Dunphy for more information on how to get involved.

Brien.Dunphy@psd150.org or 309-672-6630

**Preparatory School for the Arts (PSA)**

In addition to a strong academic curriculum, we offer high level fine arts instruction taught by professionals who are masters of their craft. The PSA offers dance, vocal music, instrumental music, visual arts, and drama. Students perform at intermediate and advanced levels. We also invite Fine Arts professionals to visit us and share their experiences with our students. We focus on supporting our students’ development academically, artistically, physically, emotionally, and socially. An arts-enriched environment allows success for PSA students with artistic and academic endeavors.

**Daily School Schedule**

**REGULAR SCHEDULE**

1st – 7:30 — 8:20
2nd – 8:25 — 9:10
3rd – 9:15 — 10:00
4th - 10:05 — 10:50
5A (lunch) – 10:55 — 11:20
(class) - 11:25 —12:50
5B (class) – 10:55 — 11:20
(lunch) - 11:25 —11:50
(class) - 11:55 —12:20
5C (class) 10:55 — 11:50
(lunch) 11:55 —12:20
6th – 12:25 — 1:10
7th – 1:15 — 2:00
- 5 minute passing time
- 45 minute classroom sessions