

Thornton Fractional South High School

Thornton Fractional Township High School District 215



2024 – 2025 Profile

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History

Thornton Fractional South High School is the home of the Red Wolves. Located in the southeastern corner of Cook County, approximately 25 miles south of Chicago's Loop.

Opened in 1959, Thornton Fractional South High School serves students from the communities of Lansing and Lynwood. Thornton Fractional South High School upholds a fine tradition of providing a sound education coupled with community service and an innovative curriculum focused on developing leadership, character, and service through academics, activities, athletics, and the arts.

Mission Statement

To provide diverse learning opportunities that inspire all students to become life-long learners who contribute to their community.

Vision Statement

To provide a diverse, relevant, and responsive learning environment in which scholars develop the skills necessary to be critical thinkers, problem-solvers, and productive, positive members of society.

Building Data

Students	Teachers
1700	84% Master's Degrees
	46% Male 54% Female

Graduation Credit Requirements

Graduation from a Thornton Fractional Township High School will require that a student successfully complete a minimum of 23 credits during at least eight semesters of full-time attendance.

English	8 semesters
Social Studies	6 semesters
Mathematics	6 semesters
Science	4 semesters
Health	1 semester
Physical Education	7 semesters

Grading Scale

Unweighted:

A = 4.0 B = 3.0 C = 2.0 = 1.0

Honors:

A = 4.4 B = 3.3 C = 2.2 D = 1.1

AP:

A = 4.8 B = 3.6 C = 2.4 D = 1.2

Course Offerings

Advanced Placement Classes:

African American Studies, Biology, Calculus AB, Chemistry, Computer Science, European History, Geography, Stats, Language & Composition, Literature, Music Theory, Psychology, Spanish Lit., Spanish Lang., and US History.

Dual Credit Classes

Chicago State University, Prairie State College, and South Suburban College

Honors Classes: Algebra I and II, Geometry, Pre-Calculus, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, World and US History, Economics, Government, English 9-11, and Spanish IV

Elective Classes: Accelerated Fitness, Accounting, Advanced Choir, Yearbook, Newspaper, Aerobics, African-American Literature, American Diversity, Art Fundamentals, Concert Band, Concert Choir, Construction, Creative Writing, Culinary Arts, Drawing, Engineering, Entrepreneurship, French, Graphic Design, Guitar, History of Chicago, Psychology, Sociology, Microsoft Office Tech, Music Theory, Painting, Spanish, Speech, Statistics and Modeling, Symphonic Band, Theatre Arts, Theatre Production, TV Production

National Education Equity Lab

From Whitman to Hip Hop – Harvard University
Personal Finance – University of Penn
Criminal Justice – Howard University

Activity Offerings

Art Club	National Honor Society
Band	Newspaper
Best Buddies	Peer Mediators
Chess	Poet's Society
Chorale/Chorus	Committee S.A.D.D.
Class Boards	Science/Forensics
Drama Team	Scholastic Bowl
Environmental Club	Speech Team
GSA	Student Council
Mathletes	T.V. Production
Mock Trial	Yearbook

Athletic Offerings

Badminton	Golf
Baseball	Soccer
Basketball	Softball
Bowling	Swimming
Cheerleading	Track
Cross-Country	Volleyball
Dance	Wrestling
Football	

Special Program Offerings

Career Technical Education (CTE) –

Auto Tech, Barbering & Cosmetology, Building & Construction, Child Care, Collision Repair, Digital Photography, Electrician, Graphic Design, HVAC, Interrelated Cooperative Education (ICE), Entrepreneurship, and Computer Science

Guidance – school counselors, social workers, school psychologist, and mental health specialist are available to support students with social and emotional growth.

Restorative Practices – a school-wide approach in fostering positive, healthy school climates and helping students learn from their mistakes through partnering with parents, students, teachers and district officials. Utilizing proven restorative approaches including, but not limited to: peer mediations, peer juries, community service, social-emotional learning, and preventative post-conflict resolution.

Technology Preparation – TF South offers a variety of Tech Prep courses, some receive dual credit from South Suburban Community College when guidelines are met. These include: Arts & Communication, Business Management & Tech, Health & Human Services, Industrial Tech, Scientific & Engineering Technology, and Cooperative Education Programs.

Colleges TF South Graduates Attend

Alabama State Univ.	Marquette University
American University	University of Michigan
Arizona State Univ.	Michigan State Univ.
Ball State University	New York University
Bradley University	Northwestern Univ.
Butler University	Northeastern IL Univ.
Clark Atlanta Univ.	Northern Illinois Univ.
Columbia College	Univ. of Notre Dame
Cornell University	Purdue University
DePaul University	Saint Xavier University
Eastern Illinois Univ.	Savannah State Univ.
Fisk University	Seton Hall University
Florida A&M University	South Dakota State Univ.
Grand Valley St. Univ.	Southern Illinois Univ.
Grambling University	Tennessee State Univ.
Harris & Stowe University	U.C.L.A.
Hampton University	University of Iowa
Harvard University	University of IL-Urbana
Howard University	University of IL-Chicago
Illinois State Univ.	University of AZ-Tucson
Illinois Wesleyan Univ.	University of MN
Indiana University	University of Southern Cal
Jackson State University	University of WI-Madison
Johns Hopkins	Western Illinois Univ.
Loyola University	Yale University