



# ATHOL HIGH SCHOOL

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**Serving the Communities of Athol and Royalston, Massachusetts**

Mr. Brian E. Beck  
Principal

## SCHOOL PROFILE 2011 - 2012

Kathy Colmenares – Guidance Chairperson  
Mary Ann Miller – Guidance Counselor  
Amanda Pagar Wein - Adjustment Counselor  
Cynthia Hughes – Guidance Secretary

Mr. William B. Chiasson  
Assistant Principal

### ACCREDITATION

New England Association of Schools and Colleges

### SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY

Athol is a manufacturing community, 11 miles south of New Hampshire and 75 miles west of Boston. Athol High School is located on the Southeast side of Athol at the junctions of Routes 2A (Main Street) and 32 on the shores of Lake Ellis. Athol High School, a comprehensive regional high school for grades 9, 10, 11 and 12, presently enrolls 500 students. Eighty-eight percent of the district's students reside in Athol, 9% reside in Royalston and 3% are school choice students. Students can also attend Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical School located 25 miles to the east in Fitchburg. The population of Athol is 11,299 and Royalston's population is 1,254 according to the 2000 federal census.

### ACADEMIC ABBREVIATIONS

**H** – Honors **P**-Pass **F**-Fail **I**-Incomplete

**60** and above passing for credit

**59** and below not passing – no credit

**1.0** credit – 1 Carnegie Unit

\* Indicates College Preparatory Course prior to SY 2011-12

Indicates Non-College Preparatory Course starting in SY 2011-12

**AP** – Advanced Placement

**E** - Enrichment

**FA** – Final Average

**Ind.Sty** – Independent Study

**L** – Lab

**M** – Medical

**NC** – No Credit due to lack of attendance

**S.S.** – Summer School

**S1/S2** – Semesters I – II

**VHS** - Virtual High School

**X** – Exempt

**Students take four 80-minute classes per semester on four-day rotating block schedule, for a total of 8 courses per year.**

### GRADUATION COURSE AND CREDIT REQUIREMENTS

### WEIGHTED RANK - UNWEIGHTED GPA

Specific graduation course requirements are listed below. The number of credits required for graduation is 25 for the class of 2012. Students must pass at least six credits in their senior year.

#### MINIMUM CREDITS NEEDED TO GRADUATE - 25 credits

English 4 credits

Math 4 credits

Science 3 credits

Social Studies 3 credits – to include World History II , U.S. History I and U.S. History II, or AP U.S. History

PE/Health/ - Grades 9, 10 and 11 1 combined credit each year

**CEEB NUMBER 220070**

## Clubs and Activities

Art Club Audio / Visual Club Best Buddies Computer Club Drama Club Environmental Club Math Team National Honor Society ( <i>must meet criteria</i> )	Peer Mediation Principal's Advisory Group Regional Student Advisory Council Ski Club Students Against Destructive Decisions (S.A.D.D.) Student Council Training Active Bystanders (T.A.B.) Writing Club
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## Sports

<u>Fall</u>	<u>Winter</u>	<u>Spring</u>
Football	Basketball	Baseball
Field Hockey	Wrestling	Softball
Soccer	Indoor Track	Boys Volleyball
Girls Volleyball	Cheerleading	Track and Field
Cheerleading	Ice Hockey	

### Class of 2010

### Class of 2011

Students receiving diplomas: 76		Students receiving diplomas: 107	
Four-Year College	42%	Four-Year College	26%
Two-Year College	34%	Two-Year College	46%
Employment	13%	Employment	17%
Military	10%	Military	6%
Technical School	1%	Technical School	0%

### SAT Scores (mean) 2009-10      2010-11

Critical Reading	494	492
Math	494	484
Writing	473	469

## Advanced Placement Awards

### Class of 2010

### Class of 2011

3AP Scholar Awards	1AP Scholar Award
1 AP Scholar with Distinction Award	1 AP Scholar with Honor Award

## AP Exam Summary 2010-2011: 113 students took a total of 172 exams

### 2009-2010: 44 students took a total of 59 exams

Exam	Average Score 2009-2010	Average Score 2010-2011
English Language and Composition	N/A	2.3
English Literature and Composition	2.5	2.4
Spanish Language	4.0	N/A
Calculus AB	1.0	1.4
Statistics	1.9	2.1
Chemistry	2.0	N/A
Biology	N/A	1.8
Environmental Science	N/A	3.7
Psychology	3.2	2.2
U.S. Government and Politics	3.0	N/A
U.S. History	2.2	2.0

## Academic Courses Offered 2011-2012

### AP Courses

(All two-credit courses)

AP English Language and Composition  
AP English Literature and Composition  
AP Biology L  
AP Chemistry  
AP Physics B  
AP United States History  
AP Psychology  
AP Calculus AB  
AP Statistics

### Honors Courses

(All one-credit courses)

English 9 Honors  
English 10 Honors  
English 12 Honors  
Geometry Honors  
Algebra II Honors  
Biology Honors L  
Chemistry Honors L  
World History II Honors  
United States History I Honors  
United States History II Honors  
American Government Honors

### College Preparatory

(All one-credit courses)

English 9  
English 10  
English 11  
English 12  
Creative Writing  
Spanish I  
Spanish II  
Spanish III  
Latin I  
Latin II  
Latin III  
Algebra I, Part 1  
Algebra I, Part 2  
Algebra I  
Geometry, Part 1  
Geometry, Part 2  
Geometry  
Algebra II  
Trigonometry and Advanced Topics in Math  
Pre-Calculus  
Statistics  
Integrated Science L  
Biology L  
Chemistry L  
Physics L  
Biotechnology L  
Electronics L  
Ecology  
World History II  
United States History I  
United States History II  
American Government  
Psychology  
Sociology  
History of Global Problems  
Accounting I  
Accounting II  
Sculpture  
Drawing  
Ceramics/Relief

Alternative College Preparatory, Honors and AP  
Courses: Virtual High School (VHS)