

# Sioux Falls School District

## Roosevelt High School

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**Our Mission: To educate and prepare each student to succeed in a changing world.**

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### Roosevelt High School

Established in 1991, Roosevelt High School is a comprehensive high school with an enrollment of approximately 2,300 students. The school is on a traditional schedule with seven 50-minute class periods and maintains a closed campus, except for select juniors and seniors. Roosevelt High values the dedication and commitment of its entire staff to the students they serve. Sixty-four percent of Roosevelt's teaching staff hold a Master's Degree or higher.

Roosevelt is accredited by the South Dakota Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, as well as a member of and accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. The school has been consistently ranked in the top 3 to 4 percent of all high schools in the United States and was deemed a "Distinguished – 2010 High School" by the SD Department of Education. Roosevelt has been recognized for the past two years by *US News and World Report* as a 2016 Gold Medal School and a 2017 Silver Medal School. It was also named one of the most Challenging High Schools in the nation by *The Washington Post* in 2017.

### Sioux Falls School District

Roosevelt High School is part of the Sioux Falls School District 49-5. Encompassing the city plus some outlying areas, the District is comprised of three comprehensive high schools (grades 9-12), 2 alternative high schools, Career & Technical Education Academy, New Technology High School, five middle schools (grades 6-8), 24 elementary schools (grades K-5), early childhood options at various sites, and a post-secondary area technical school.

### City of Sioux Falls

The city of Sioux Falls has an estimated population of 158,000. The city occupies an area of approximately 80 square miles and serves as a major financial, agricultural, retail, wholesale, medical, and manufacturing market. Sioux Falls enjoys a high quality of life and an excellent business climate which has resulted in the city being ranked by *Money Magazine* as one of the most livable cities and having one of the strongest economies in the United States.

COLLEGE ADMISSIONS TEST SCORES									
RHS ACT SCORES									
Number of Students Taking Exam	2014-2015			2015-2016			2016-2017		
	SCHOOL	STATE	NATIONAL	SCHOOL	STATE	NATIONAL	SCHOOL	STATE	NATIONAL
	294	6,615	1,924,436	334	6,552	2,090,342	319	6,698	2,030,038
	AVERAGE SCORE			AVERAGE SCORE			AVERAGE SCORE		
English	21.3	21.0	20.4	21.5	20.9	20.5	21.8	20.7	20.3
Mathematics	22.4	21.7	20.8	22.6	21.7	20.6	22.6	21.5	20.7
Reading	22.6	22.4	21.4	22.9	22.4	21.3	23.2	22.3	21.4
Science	22.3	22.1	20.9	23.0	22.2	20.8	23.0	22.0	21.0
Composite Score	22.3	21.9	21.0	22.6	21.9	20.8	22.8	21.8	21.0

### Grading Scale

A=Excellent 93-100%, B=Above Average 85-92%, C=Average 76-84%, D=Below Average 65-75%, F=Failing 64% and below. No pluses or minuses will be used in reporting grades. Parents must be contacted if a student is failing or is experiencing a significant decline in performance. Semester tests will count as 15% of a student's final grade.

## Special Programs

### Advanced Placement:

Advanced Placement (AP) is a program of credit by examination for college-level studies pursued in secondary schools. AP course content is rigorous. Students registered for AP classes are expected to register for and take AP Exams. Examinations are ordered in February and administered in May. A complete list of the AP exams and more information about the AP Program is available in the Counseling Office. AP courses offered are American History, Government, Calculus AB, Chemistry, Biology, Physics, Psychology, Environmental Science, English Lit/Comp, English Lang/Comp, Spanish, Human Geography, World History, Music Theory, Statistics, Computer Science and Macro Economics. Students need not be in an AP class to take the exam. Cost is approximately \$90 per exam.

### Gifted Students:

The gifted program is focused on the recruitment of students into upper level coursework and assessment preparations. Gifted students at Roosevelt are encouraged to participate in college readiness coursework and assessments. The gifted program is involved in a number of academic quiz bowl competitions and other regional academic competitions such as college math and science contests.

### Special Education:

Special education services are designed to meet the educational needs of each student. Students thought to have a disability are evaluated at the school by a multi-disciplinary team of specialists. A continuum of specialized instruction and related services are available via general education, team teaching, and pull-out courses dependent on the student's Individual Education Program (IEP).

### Tutoring:

Homework Help is a tutoring program available for all Roosevelt students. Tutors are available every day after school until 4:30 p.m. Depending on academic need a student can be assigned to Homework Help by a staff member or parent/guardian. The student is assigned a TAG (Targeted Academic Guidance) referral. The student and staff member agree to the day(s) and time(s) of the guided tutoring and work together to successfully complete academic learning.

### English Language Learner (ELL):

ELL – The English Language Learner program is designed to help develop proficiency in the English language. ELL students have a wide variety of classes available that will help them experience success with listening, speaking, writing, and reading the English language. ELL students are immersed in a rich environment of the English language and are given options to experience classes like Family and Consumer Science, Automotive, Health, and Personal Finance.

### Career and Technical Education Academy (CTE Academy):

The Sioux Falls School District operates the CTE Academy to provide students an opportunity for hands-on, advanced training in a variety of career areas. Academy programs are available to 10th, 11th, & 12th grade students, while introductory level courses are available to 9th grade students at their regular high school. A student attends the CTE Academy for a 2-hour block during their regular daily schedule. The student's enrollment remains at their home high school and students continue all extra curricular activities through their home high school. Optional transportation for Academy students is provided by the District.

### Virtual Coursework:

The Sioux Falls School District has implemented online courses for high school students across the district. Students are able to enroll in online courses through Apex Learning and through the South Dakota Virtual High School supported courses.

### Academy of Finance:

The Academy of Finance (AOF) is one program affiliated with the National Academy Foundation. It is a two or three-year program available to sophomores, juniors and seniors. This national program is designed to prepare students with practical skills to enter the world of business and finance. AOF is offered at Washington and Roosevelt High Schools and includes a partnership through the University of South Dakota.

## Cooperative Programs

### Marketing:

Marketing is a program for sophomores, juniors, and seniors. The students are in marketing and other classes in the morning and are trained in some facet of a career related business in the afternoon.

### Dual Enrollment:

Through cooperation with counselors and administration, students are allowed to attend college and post-secondary technical classes during the school day and receive both high school and college credit.

### Mentoring:

Senior students may work with a designated elementary, middle or high school teacher for two periods of the day. At least one-third of their time must be spent working directly with students.

### Learners to Leaders:

Senior students who are selected in their junior year through an application process take morning classes at Roosevelt and afternoon classes at Southeast Technical Institute (STI), earning dual credit as they begin to work toward a two-year Associate in Applied Arts Degree.

### Activities:

Roosevelt High School belongs to the South Dakota High School Activities Association. The school is a member of the Greater Dakota Athletic Conference, which is composed of the public and parochial high schools in Western South Dakota and Sioux Falls. The varsity athletic program for boys includes cross-country, track, football, basketball, wrestling, golf, and tennis. The varsity athletic program for girls includes track, cross-country, basketball, gymnastics, golf, volleyball, and tennis. Roosevelt also recognizes a number of club sports in its effort to provide multiple avenues to student success. The school recognizes boys and girls soccer, softball, baseball and bowling. The school has many active clubs such as Animae Magna Club, Spanish Club, Swimming Club, political clubs and intramurals.

Roosevelt High School has extensive competitive participation in debate, drama, oral interp, music, cheer, and dance. The school encourages student participation in clubs, organizations, and activities.