



Soldotna High School

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Kenai Peninsula Borough School District

SCHOOL PROFILE

Principal: Tony Graham
Assistant Principal: Randy Neill

Counselors: Margaret Griffin
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School Facts: Soldotna High School is a public, four-year school with an approximate enrollment of 550 full time students, 30 part time students (grades 10-12) and 47 faculty/administrative members. The high school is accredited by the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges. Soldotna High School has a six period day with a 25-minute advisory period and operates on a semester system. Approximately 55% of our students go on to a 4-year university, and approximately 8% go on to 2-year post-secondary education programs.

Community/Economy: Located just 150 miles via scenic, paved highway from Anchorage, Soldotna is the central hub of the Kenai Peninsula. The City of Soldotna is primarily a residential and service-oriented community and is home to 4,445 residents, with many more beyond the city limits. Many Soldotna residents work outside the city in oil, gas, mining, and commercial fishing. Therefore, these industries greatly affect the economy of the area while not being major sources of employment within Soldotna itself. Major areas of employment within the City of Soldotna include government, retail and service, health care, and visitor industries.

Over the last decade, Soldotna has increasingly become a hub of business and visitor activity. Several malls and clusters of stores, banks, restaurants and offices form the commercial district. The visitor industry supports many tourism-related businesses such as fishing guides, housing and retail trade. Visitors are attracted to the Kenai River, Kenai National Wildlife Refuge and a number of state recreational facilities located in close proximity to Soldotna. Soldotna's current economic base allows for continued and consistent population growth.

Curriculum: Our graduation requirements follow Kenai Peninsula Borough School District policy. We offer a full range of courses from vocational education to advanced placement classes.

Grading System: Carnegie units (credits) are earned on a semester basis, with letter grades A (superior), B, C, and D, and F (failure). Class rank is computed for each class, grades 9-12, and includes all grades for all classes on a cumulative basis. (A-4, B-3, C-2, D-1, and F-0.) Additional quality points are assigned for College Board Advanced Placement (AP) courses for the purpose of calculating grade point average (GPA). For each passing semester grade in an Advanced Placement course, 0.021 will be added to the student's cumulative GPA upon completion of the Collegeboard Advanced Placement Exam at the end of the school year. The average GPA of grades 10-12 is approximately 3.0.

Graduation Requirements: In addition to passing the High School Graduation Qualifying Exam, all students must satisfactorily complete 22 credits for graduation (and diploma) to include the following requirements:

English (4 credits)	Sciences (3 credits)	Alaska History (.5 credit)
Math (3 credits)	Physical Education (1 credit)	Health (.5 credit)
World History (1 credit)	U.S. History (1 credit)	Electives (4.5 credits)
Creative/Practical Arts (3 credits)	Government (.5 credit)	

Advanced and Honors Courses Available at SOHI: Anatomy & Physiology, Chemistry, Physics, Advanced Algebra, Honors English (grades 9-11), Advanced Spanish (3-4), AP Literature & Composition, AP Calculus, AP United States History, AP US Government & Politics, AP World History, AP Biology, and AP Chemistry.