

SCHOOL PROFILE



ABOUT THE SCHOOL

Jenison Innovation Academy (JIA) provides online and hybrid learning opportunities to the Jenison Public School community and the greater West Michigan region. With a student-centered focus, JIA offers opportunities beyond the traditional classroom to develop a community of learning. Students are provided with personalized learning experiences, delivering high-quality instruction with flexible options. From fully online to blended courses, JIA prepares students to be successful in our dynamic world.



MISSION STATEMENT

JIA's mission is to provide an engaging, personalized learning experience, bringing the home, school, and world together. The core values of JIA revolve around always keeping the **student first** – ensuring **personalization** while cultivating a **supportive learning environment**, encouraging **innovation** through curiosity and a growth mindset, and promoting **excellence** with academic rigor and diverse opportunities.



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JENISON, MICHIGAN

Located within Georgetown Township, Jenison is approximately 10 miles from Grand Rapids and 20 miles from the West Michigan lakeshore.



JENISON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Jenison Public Schools provides world-class education through learning environments that nurture potential and cultivate greatness. Unlocking a character-driven culture, students and staff hold one another to the expectations of trust, honesty, empathy, integrity, respect, and responsibility, infusing the

character traits of the Wildcat Way in everything they do and empowering each other to reach their full potential.

Jenison Public Schools is made up of three secondary schools: Jenison High School, Jenison Junior High, and Jenison Innovation Academy, as well as eight elementary schools - Bauerwood Elementary, Bursley Elementary, El Puente (Spanish Immersion), JIA Elementary (online & blended courses), Kids First Early Childhood Center (Transitional Kindergarten & Wilderness Outdoor Academy), Pinewood Elementary, Rosewood Elementary, and Sandy Hill Elementary.



JIA CHARACTERISTICS

Student Enrollment

MIDDLE SCHOOL
GRADES 6 - 8

Full Time Students 58

Part Time Students 131

Total 189

HIGH SCHOOL
GRADES 9 - 12

Full Time Students 104

Part Time Students 80

Total 184

Spring 2024 SAT Test Average: 1065

2024 Graduation Rate: 100%

2020 - 2024 Graduation Rate: 100%

Faculty

14 Instructional Staff

64% Possess Advanced Degrees

Teacher-to-Student Ratio: 1:16



ACADEMICS & CURRICULUM

Jenison Innovation Academy offers over 60 courses, developed by JIA's highly-qualified educators and supported by experienced instructional designers. Additional course options include dual enrollment, an expanded catalog and Advanced Placement options through Michigan Virtual, and career and technical program opportunities through local Career Tech Centers.

Academic Calendar

2 Semesters divided into approximately 9-week Quarters

Grade Point Average & Class Rank

Grade point average is based on semester grades. Dual Enrollment & Advanced Placement (AP) courses are weighted by a factor of 1.25. Honors Academy core courses which earn high school credit are weighted by a factor of 1.125.

Jenison Innovational Academy does not rank students. Honors cords are bestowed at commencement based on a student's cumulative GPA following the completion of seven semesters: High Honors (4.00 or above), Gold (3.500 - 3.999), Silver (3.000 - 3.499).

COLLEGE BOARD SCHOOL CODE: 232154

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS 4 Credits	VISUAL/PERFORMING ARTS 1 Credit	LIFE SKILLS - DECISIONS .5 Credits
MATHEMATICS 4 Credits	WORLD LANGUAGES 2 Credits	ONLINE LEARNING .5 Credits
SCIENCE 3 Credits	PHYSICAL EDUCATION .5 Credits	ELECTIVES 5.5 Credits
SOCIAL STUDIES 3 Credits	TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION 22 Credits & 7 Semesters	
PERSONAL FINANCE .5 Credits		



HONORS ACADEMY

Jenison Innovation Academy's Honors Academy tasks students with projects, individual enrichment activities, and presentations that reach beyond the typical scope of their core classes. Students practice the skills of critical thinking & research, problem-solving, communication & interpersonal skills, and student agency through challenging core extensions which integrate multiple content areas with relevant real-world contexts. Additionally, a dedicated Honors Academy Advisor is assigned to provide guidance and support throughout the program. When applied to a student's cumulative GPA, Honors Academy core courses are weighted by a factor of 1.125.

COURSE OFFERINGS

Full-time students generally elect a flexible schedule with each of the four core subjects (English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies) and two elective courses (Art, Music, Physical Education, World Languages, and Technology). Six courses are required for full time status. Students have the opportunity to participate with pre-approved community partners for nonessential elective courses as an optional learning experience, as well as the option to drop into JIA's on-campus learning center and in-person course activities.

Part-time students, referred to as Homeschool Partnership students, elect to take up to 3 nonessential courses with Jenison Innovation Academy. **This is a part time program for electives only, with families responsible for the core subject courses.**

TESTIMONIAL

"Jenison Innovation Academy offers invaluable resources that directly relate to milestones of adulthood, such as access to driving schools, dual-enrollment options, and practical high school courses. Outstanding scheduling flexibility made it realistic for me to include dual-enrollment courses in my final three years of high school. Dual-enrollment allowed me to define my academic goals and hold advanced standing in my college pathway. The teachers and counselors are eager to help you define your goals and show students and their families ways to accomplish them. Graduating from a high school as supportive as JIA has made the transition into adulthood less intimidating."

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CLASS OF 2024



ENROLLMENT

Our online application process is straightforward and user-friendly. Scan the QR code or access the following link to begin the process:

<https://www.jpsonline.org/EnrollmentJIA.aspx>

Submit your application and upload the required documents on your admissions application checklist.



GRADING SCALES

HIGH SCHOOL GRADING SCALE (GRADES 9-12)

Letter Grade	Percentage Range	College Prep	Honors Programming	AP / Dual Enrollment
A	92.5 - 100%	4.000	4.500	5.000
A-	89.5 - 92.4%	3.667	4.125	4.584
B+	86.5 - 89.4%	3.333	3.750	4.166
B	82.5 - 86.4%	3.000	3.375	3.750
B-	79.5 - 82.4%	2.667	3.000	3.334
C+	76.5 - 79.4%	2.333	2.625	2.916
C	72.5 - 76.4%	2.000	2.250	2.500
C-	69.5 - 72.4%	1.667	1.875	2.084
D+	66.5 - 69.4%	1.333	1.500	1.666
D	62.5 - 66.4%	1.000	1.125	1.250
D-	59.5 - 62.4%	.667	.750	0.834
E	59.4% or Less	.000	.000	.000

MIDDLE SCHOOL GRADING SCALE (GRADES 6-8)

Grade Key	Percentage Range
MA	Mastered 79.5 - 100%
CO	Complete (Proficient) 59.5 - 79.4%
IN	Incomplete (Not Proficient) 59.4% or Less