



10 THINGS TO LOVE ABOUT

Pelham City Schools!



THE PELHAM WAY

At Pelham City Schools our mission to inspire, empower, and achieve is embraced by students of all ages, teachers of all subjects, and staff of all areas of expertise. It's what we strive for each day. It's how we frame our thoughts and shape our plans as we cultivate the well-being and personal success of our students.



OUR STUDENTS & STAFF

3,404
STUDENTS
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395
TEACHERS &
SUPPORT
PERSONNEL

1069
PELHAM HIGH
SCHOOL

827
PELHAM PARK
MIDDLE SCHOOL

664
PELHAM OAKS
ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL

844
PELHAM RIDGE
ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL

our COMMUNITY

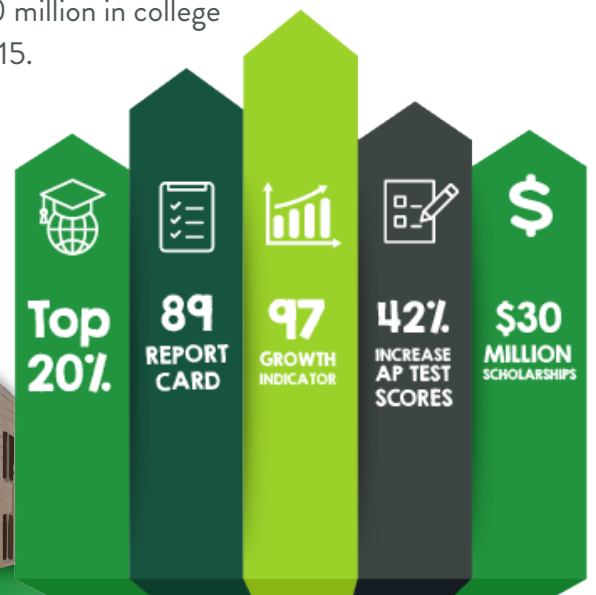
Pelham's ideal mix of scenery, suburbs, and size makes it a great fit for families. Recently ranked by Niche as one of the Top 10 Best Places to Live in Alabama, it's easy to see why our school system has grown by 12% since 2016. The Pelham community supports our schools with a one-cent sales tax that allocates approximately \$6 million to our schools each year.

focus ON Facilities

Since 2014, over \$74 million has been invested in new and enhanced facilities throughout our school system. With two new schools and an extensive list of additions and upgrades, our school facilities have been transformed into 21st century learning environments that foster collaboration, use of technology, safety, and achievement.

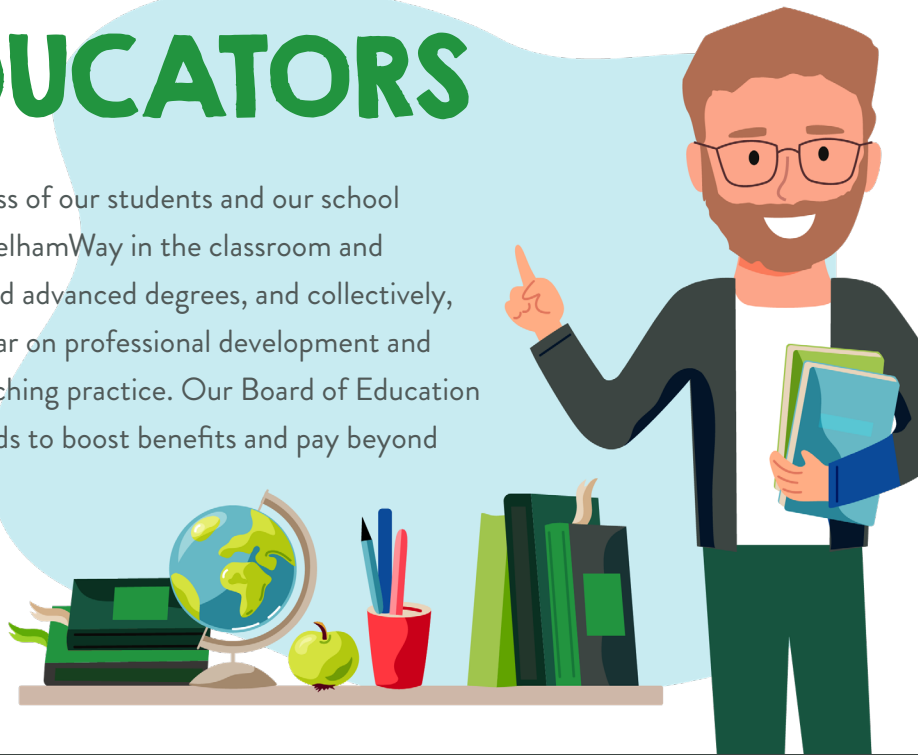
ACADEMIC achievement

Our instruction in the classroom connects teaching and learning to focus on content mastery, student achievement, goals, and academic success. On the latest Education Report Card, Pelham ranked in the Top 20% of all Alabama school systems with an overall grade of 89 and a 97 in the indicator for academic growth. Over the past five years, we've seen a 42% increase in qualifying Advanced Placement test scores, and Pelham High School seniors have earned over \$30 million in college scholarships since 2015.



WE HAVE *great* EDUCATORS

Our teachers are at the heart of the success of our students and our school system. They consistently embrace #ThePelhamWay in the classroom and beyond. Over 70% of Pelham teachers hold advanced degrees, and collectively, our teachers spend over 6,000 hours a year on professional development and continuing education to enhance their teaching practice. Our Board of Education invests over \$1 million per year in local funds to boost benefits and pay beyond state salary schedules.



AMAZING *alumni*



Pelham High School graduates embody the school's alma mater with "*loyal, faithful, and everlasting*" ties to the memories and experiences of their time in Pelham schools. A Pelham education leads graduates to the start of successful lives and careers in diverse paths across many states. The PHS alumni family includes entrepreneurs, musicians, business leaders, physicians, professional athletes, and a national championship winning college football coach to name a few. At Pelham City Schools we're proud to employ nearly 30 Pelham alumni who attended our schools! There is a special bond among Pelham graduates that makes it *A Great Day to Be a Panther* whether you graduated last year or forty years ago!

named to
TOP 20
lists on Niche

Based on key statistics and parent and student reviews, Pelham City Schools consistently ranks high among all Alabama schools in several categories. 2021 rankings include #12 Best School Districts in Alabama, #3 Most Diverse School Districts in Alabama, and #19 Best School Districts for Athletes in Alabama.



EDUCATIONAL *opportunities*

With a focus on robust course offerings and diverse instructional pathways, our vertical K-12 alignment supports core standards and programs that provide innovative and engaging learning experiences for students of all ages. Enhanced college and career exploration opportunities begin as early as elementary school and continue through middle and high school with career-focused electives, local job shadowing experiences, industry-recognized credentials, Academy of Craft Training, and more.

beyond the **CLASSROOM**

A wide variety of athletic, fine arts, extracurricular programs, and clubs create opportunities for students to explore interests, collaborate with peers, and participate in experiences that enrich their education and sense of community. Our programs are competitive and impactful with many participants and teams frequently earning impressive honors, accolades, and titles. Additionally, students of all ages engage in ongoing activities to enhance leadership skills, goal setting, individual accountability, digital citizenship, and the soft skills necessary to boost college and career readiness.



For the latest news & events, school happenings, notifications, photos and more, connect with us on our websites and social media.

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