

Thornton Fractional South High School

Thornton Fractional Township High School District 215



2025 – 2026 Profile

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History

Thornton Fractional South High School is the home of the Red Wolves. Located in the southeastern corner of Cook County, approximately 25 miles south of Chicago's Loop.

Opened in 1959, Thornton Fractional South High School serves students from the communities of Lansing and Lynwood. Thornton Fractional South High School upholds a storied tradition of providing a sound education coupled with an innovative curriculum focused on developing leadership, character, and service through academics, activities, athletics, and the arts.

Mission Statement

To provide diverse learning opportunities that inspire all students to become life-long learners who contribute to their community.

Vision Statement

To provide a diverse, relevant, and responsive learning environment in which scholars develop the skills necessary to be critical thinkers, problem-solvers, and productive, positive members of society.

Building Data

Students	Teachers
1700	84% Master's Degrees
	46% Male 54% Female

Graduation Credit Requirements

Thornton Fractional Township High School requires that a student successfully complete a minimum of 23 credits during at least eight semesters of full-time attendance.

English	8 semesters
Social Studies	6 semesters
Mathematics	6 semesters
Science	4 semesters
Health	1 semester
Physical Education	7 semesters

Grading Scale

Unweighted:

A = 4.0 B = 3.0 C = 2.0 = 1.0

Honors:

A = 4.4 B = 3.3 C = 2.2 D = 1.1

AP:

A = 4.8 B = 3.6 C = 2.4 D = 1.2

Course Offerings

Advanced Placement Classes:

African American Studies, Biology, Calculus AB, Chemistry, Computer Sci Principles, European History, Human Geography, Eng Lang & Comp, Eng Lit & Comp, Music Theory, Physics I, Pre-Calculus, Psychology, Spanish Lit., Spanish Lang., Stats, and US History.

Dual Credit Classes

21st Century Entrepreneurship, Building Construction II, Electricity II, Foundations to Teaching, Health, Microsoft Office Tech, PLTW Intro to Eng, PLTW Principles of Eng, Barbering I & II, Cosmetology I & II, Culinary Arts II

Honors Classes: Algebra I and II, Geometry, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, World, US History, Economics, and Government, English 9-11, French IV, and Spanish IV

Elective Classes: Art Fundamentals, 3D Sculpt & Design, Painting, Drawing, Adv Journalism, African American Literature, Creative Writing, Media Analysis, Speech, Theatre Arts I & II, Theatre Production Cadet Band, Concert Band, Concert Choir, Chorale, Guitar, Music Design & Tech, Piano, Symphonic Band, Anatomy & Physiology, Earth Science, American Diversity, History of Chicago, Psychology, Sociology, Pre-Calculus, Statistics

Foreign Language

American Sign Language, French, and Spanish

Activity Offerings

Art Club	National Honor Society
Band	Newspaper
Best Buddies	Peer Mediators
Chess	Poet's Society
Chorale/Chorus	Committee S.A.D.D.
Class Boards	Science/Forensics
Drama Team	Scholastic Bowl
Environmental Club	Speech Team
GSA	Student Council
Mathletes	T.V. Production
Mock Trial	Yearbook

Athletic Offerings

Badminton	Golf
Baseball	Soccer
Basketball	Softball
Bowling	Swimming
Cheerleading	Track
Cross-Country	Volleyball
Dance	Wrestling
Football	

Special Program Offerings

Career Technical Education (CTE) –

21st Century Entrepreneurship, Accounting I, Art Fundamentals, Auto Tech I & II, Barbering & Cosmetology I & II, Building & Construction I & II, Bus. Tech. Concepts I & II, Child Care, Collision Repair I & II, Computer Science Principles, Culinary Arts I & II, Digital Photography, Electrician, Electricity I & II, Engineering (PLTW) Entrepreneurship, Educational Methodology, Music & Design Tech I & II, & TV Tech.

Guidance – school counselors, social workers, school psychologists, and mental health specialists are available to support students with social and emotional growth.

National Equity Lab –

Law & Literature – Brown University (Fall), The Education of Black Girls – Spelman College (Spring)

Technology Preparation – offers a comprehensive selection of Tech Prep courses designed to prepare students for college and career success in the 21st century. Many of these courses are eligible for dual credit through South Suburban College, provided certain academic guidelines are met. Program areas include Arts & Comm., Business Mgmt. & Tech., Health & Human Services, Industrial Tech., & Scientific & Eng. Tech. As part of our commitment to integrating modern learning tools, D215 supports all students with 1:1 Chromebook access, ensuring they can fully engage with digital resources, collaborative platforms, and the latest educational technologies across all programming.

Colleges TF South Graduates Attend

Alabama State Univ.	Marquette University
American University	University of Michigan
Arizona State Univ.	Michigan State Univ.
Ball State University	New York University
Bradley University	Northwestern Univ.
Butler University	Univ. of Notre Dame
Clark Atlanta Univ.	Purdue University
Columbia College	Seton Hall University
Cornell University	South Dakota State Univ.
DePaul University	Southern Illinois Univ.
Eastern Illinois Univ.	Southern University
Fisk University	Tennessee State Univ.
Florida A&M University	Tulane Univ.
Grand Valley St. Univ.	UCLA
Grambling University	University of Iowa
Harris & Stowe Uni	University of IL-Urbana
Hampton University	University of IL-Chicago
Harvard University	University of AZ-Tucson
Howard University	University of MN
Illinois State Univ.	Univ. of Southern Cal
Illinois Wesleyan Univ.	Univ. of South Carolina
Indiana University	Univ. of WI-Madison
Jackson State University	Xavier University (LA)
Johns Hopkins	Yale University
Loyola University	