Principal – Mrs. Jeanne Greer
Senior Counselor – Mrs. TaLeshay Gray
College & Career Counselor – Mrs. Sheri Crigger
Registrar – Mrs. Andrea McManus

**CEEB/ACT Code:** 011466

**Accreditation**
Southern Association of Colleges & Schools (SACS)

**Location and Description**
Grissom High School is located in Huntsville, AL, a community known for its contributions to the space and military defense industries. The city of Huntsville has a population of approximately 197,000. In addition to a strong college preparatory curriculum, Grissom has career academies in Advanced Manufacturing, Engineering, and Design; Biomedical Sciences; and Computer Science (Cyber Security). Our new school building opened August 2017.

**Academic Calendar:**
Beginning August 2017, Grissom transitioned to a modified block schedule. Four 90-minute blocks meet on alternating days for the full school year. One hour of “Tiger Time” is offered midday, where students eat lunch and choose activities such as club meetings, tutoring sessions, etc. The school calendar requires 180 student days between August 5, 2019, and May 21, 2020. Graduation exercises are scheduled for May 21, 2020.

**Enrollment**
Grissom High School’s student body numbers approximately 1847, with 407 students in the class of 2020. Approximately 30 percent of Grissom’s students participate in the federal free and reduced lunch program.

**Graduation Requirements**
24 units to include:
4 English
4 Mathematics to include Algebra & Geometry
4 Science to include 1 Biology & 1 Physical Science
4 Social Studies
1 Career Preparedness
1 LIFE Physical Education
½ Health
3 Foreign Language/Fine Arts/Career Technical
2 ½ Electives

**Grading System**
Academic report cards are issued every nine weeks. Course grades are recorded numerically and by letter:

- A = 90 - 100
- B = 80 – 89
- C = 70 – 79
- D = 60 – 69
- F = 0 - 59

**Grade Point Average (GPA)**
Grade Point Average is computed on a 4.0 scale using all end of course grades. One extra point per course is awarded for Dual Enrollment work and for AP course work if the student takes the AP test in May. One-half extra point per course is awarded for courses designated as “Honors”. See symbol (>l) for courses receiving weight on the transcript. Mid-year grades will be available in mid-January 2020.
**Honors Courses (15)**
- Honors English 9, 10
- Honors Biology, Chemistry
- Honors World History, US History 10
- Honors Geometry, Algebra II/Trig, Precalculus
- Chemistry, Adv. (organic)
- Math Seminar III
- Cyber Security
- French III, Latin III, Spanish III

**Advanced Placement Courses (27)**
- English Language & Composition
- English Literature & Composition
- Calculus AB and BC
- Computer Science A
- Statistics
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Environmental Science
- Physics I
- Physics C: Mechanics, Electricity & Magnetism
- Human Geography
- European History
- World History
- United States History
- U.S. Government & Politics
- Comparative Government & Politics
- Macroeconomics
- Microeconomics
- Psychology
- French Language & Culture
- Spanish Language & Culture
- Art History
- Studio Art: 2-D Design
- Studio Art: Drawing
- AP Seminar (Capstone sequence)
- AP Research (Capstone sequence)

**College Matriculation**
Approximately 50 percent of the last graduating
class plan to attend four-year institutions while 33
percent chose two-year colleges.

**Test Data**

**ACT (Class of 2019)**
- All students (398 tested)
  - Mean Composite: 21.3
  - State Mean Composite: 18.9

**Advanced Placement (2019)**
- Tests administered: 1,484
- Students Taking AP Tests: 517
  - Score of 3 or better: 699 (47%)