Amundsen is Level 1+

Amundsen High School has earned the highest possible school quality rating awarded by CPS. This rating means that AHS is ensuring its students receive outstanding academic and social-emotional curricula. Other exciting recognition: Principal Anna Pavichevich has been named an Independent School Principal, a distinction earned by high-performing principals who have a record of success and consistency. Amundsen earned an “Exemplar” rating for its work in implementation of Social-Emotional supports for the second time. In September 2019, Chicago Magazine named Amundsen High School as one of Chicago’s “Top High Schools.”

**IB Expansion:** Amundsen was designated “Wall-to-Wall MYP” status. AHS also offers an IB Career-related Programme to students in 11th and 12th grade.

**COLLEGE ACCEPTANCE AND SCHOLARSHIPS:** Recent Amundsen graduates have been accepted to Harvard*, Northwestern*, University of Illinois, DePaul, Loyola, Ball State*, Butler, Marquette, University of Michigan*, Tufts*, St. Agnes*, Trinity*, and more. *Student(s) awarded “full-ride” scholarships.

**POST-SECONDARY PREPARATION:** Amundsen has on-site partnerships with Lumity, GEAR UP, Trio, and College Possible, to name a few. These partnerships support students in learning successful strategies for post-secondary preparation, including applications, test prep, essay writing, FAFSA, scholarship applications, interviews, and college visits.

**DYSON Design and Innovations Lab:** The charitable James Dyson Foundation awarded AHS with approximately $150K to build a cutting-edge Design and Innovations Engineering Lab, making Amundsen the first school in the U.S. to open the fully functional James Dyson Foundation Design + Engineering Makerspace. The space is home to numerous 3D printers, electronic cutters, digital 3D scanners, saws, drills, hammers and other tools. The emerging Dyson curriculum is the cornerstone of our new IB Career Programme.

**VIKING EXTRACURRICULAR HIGHLIGHTS:** Amundsen High School has completely revamped its athletic programs and structures to ensure that all teams are optimally competitive. We have hired a host of highly qualified coaches to lead our teams to victory. Last year, the Academic Decathlon team and individual Science Fair participants successfully qualified for and competed in state competitions.

**PARTNERSHIPS AND NEIGHBORHOOD INVOLVEMENT:** Thanks to the great work of our coaches, administrators, and the Friends of Amundsen, we are excited to partner with Cubs Charities, who renovated the Winnemac Park baseball and softball fields to the tune of about $250,000.

**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS:** The capital improvement project at Amundsen High School has exceeded approximately $25 million in just 5 years. Updates include new computer/maker labs, updated science labs and classrooms, new air conditioning, totally renovated counseling and collaboration spaces, new and improved gymnasiums and weight rooms … and more!

**INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL:** Every year, Amundsen students have the opportunity for international travel. Since 2013, Vikings have traveled to France, Spain, Japan, Nicaragua, Mexico. In the 19-20 school year, students will travel to Switzerland, Germany, and Austria.

Find a TOUR date or schedule a SHADOW-DAY for your 8th grader at Amundsenhs.org. And visit FriendsofAmundsen.org to get involved or to learn more about supporting Amundsen.