



Student Handbook

2022 - 2023

**WASHINGTON
HIGH SCHOOL**



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Vision

Every day, in every classroom, all teachers and students will be engaged in literacy-rich and student-centered learning.



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Counseling Services

The faculty and staff at Washington High School are committed to supporting the mental health of all our students. Washington has an experienced team of mental health professionals who students and families can reach out to for help when needed.

Counseling Department

Counselor	Grade Level	Grade Level Admin	E-mail	Ext:
Rebecca Nicholson	9 th	9th/10th A-L - Wilkinson	rebecca.nicholson@kckps.org	7910
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Tom Doherty	12 th	12 th - Knipp	thomas.doherty@kckps.org	7841

Social Worker Team

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If you or your family need help, please talk to your social workers about available resources.

If you or a friend are having suicidal thoughts and need immediate help, call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at

1-800-273-TALK (8255) or text "Hello" to 741741 for free and confidential support 24/7.

2022 - 2023 Bell Schedule

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Period 1 (80) 7:25-8:45	Period 2 (80) 7:25-8:45	1 / 2 (45) 7:25 - 8:10	Period 1 (80) 7:25-8:45	Period 2 (80) 7:25-8:45
Period 3 (80) 8:50-10:10	Period 4 (80) 8:50-10:10	3 / 4 (45) 8:15 - 9:00	Period 3 (80) 8:50-10:10	Period 4 (80) 8:50-10:10
FA 10:15-10:55	FA 10:15-10:55	Advocacy (45) 9:05 - 9:55	FA 10:15-10:55	FA 10:15-10:55
Period 5 (115) 11:00-12:55	Period 6 (115) 11:00-12:55	5/6 (95) 10:00 - 11:35	Period 5 (115) 11:00-12:55	Period 6 (115) 11:00-12:55
Period 7 (80) 1:00-2:20	Period 8 (80) 1:00-2:20	7/8 (40) 11:40 - 12:20	Period 7 (80) 1:00-2:20	Period 8 (80) 1:00-2:20

Lunch Schedule

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1st Lunch	11:07-11:32	11:07-11:32	10:04-10:24	11:07-11:32	11:07-11:32
2nd Lunch	11:35-12:00	11:35-12:00	10:27-10:47	11:35-12:00	11:35-12:00
3rd Lunch	12:02-12:27	12:02-12:27	10:51-11:11	12:02-12:27	12:02-12:27
4th Lunch	12:30-12:55	12:30-12:55	11:15-11:35	12:30-12:55	12:30-12:55

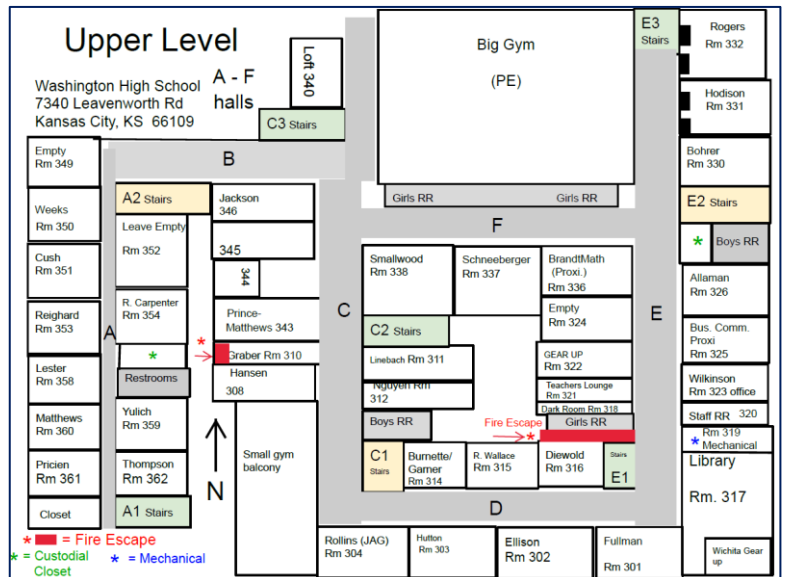
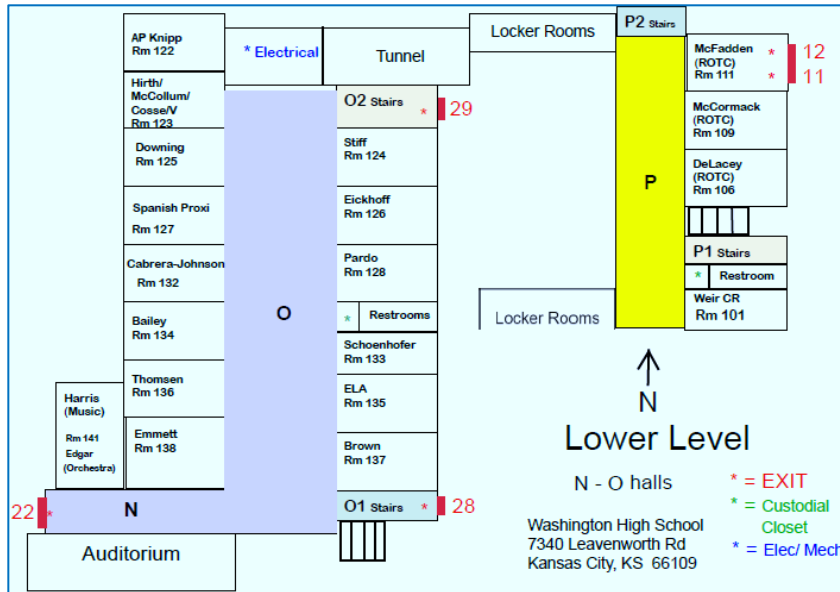
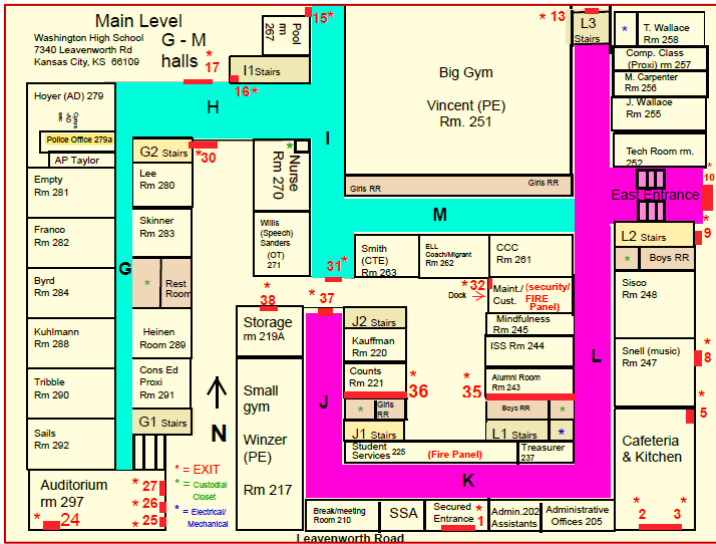
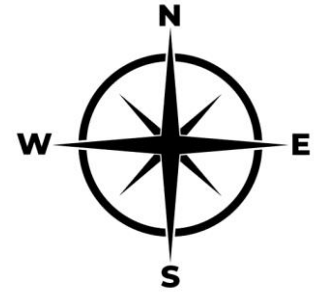
** ID required for lunch **

Assembly Schedule

<u>1/2</u> 7:25-8:25	
<u>3/4</u> 8:30-9:25	
<u>5/6</u> 9:30-10:25	
<u>7/8</u> 10:30-12:40	<u>Lunches</u> 10:33-10:58 11:00-11:25 11:27-11:52 11:55-12:20
<u>Assembly</u> 12:45-2:20	

All students will be escorted to the assembly by their 7th/8th hour teacher.

Building Maps



Graduation Requirements

Grade Level	Minimum Credits Required by Grade level
9 th grade	0-5.5
10 th grade	6-11
11 th grade	12-17
12 th grade	18- more

To graduate from Washington students must earn a **minimum of 25 specific credits.**

Required Credits

English	4 credits
Speech/Debate/Forensics	0.5 credit
Math	4 credits
Social Studies (specific ones listed below) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World History-1 • American History-1 • American Government-0.5 • Business Economics-0.5 	3 total credits
Science (any)	3 credits
P.E	1 credit
Consumer Education	0.5 credit
Business Communications	0.5 credit
World Languages	2 credits
Electives	6.5 credits

DIPLOMA+

A high school diploma is not enough, in today's economy, for students to access high-pay, high-demand jobs that transform their lives and their community. In order to prepare our students for success in a global society, the Kansas City, Kansas Public Schools is implementing a district-wide initiative called **Diploma+**.

Diploma+ means that each student will exit high school prepared for college and careers in a global society, and at every level, each student's performance is on-track and on-time for success.

- Completion of at least one full year of college (18-30 Credit Hours)
- Completion of an Industry-Recognized Certificate or Credential
- At Least 21 on the ACT or 1060 on the SAT
- Completion of the IB Diploma Programme or Career-Related Programme
- Acceptance into the Military
- Completion of a Qualified Internship or Industry-Approved Project
- An Approved Plan for Post-Secondary Transition

Do you have questions about College and Career Readiness? The Diploma+ College and Career Readiness Team is ready to assist! Please email the CCC at your school for more information.

Curtissia Verge, College & Career Coordinator (CCC)

Phone: 913-627-7906

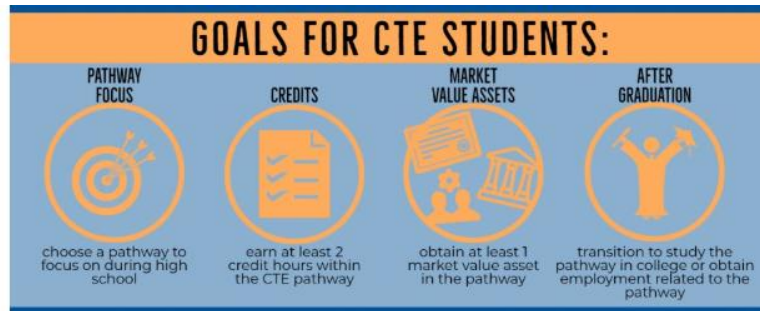
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Career and Technical Education (CTE) at Washington

Students at Washington High School dive deeper into our CTE pathways through elective courses that focus on career skills and workplace readiness

Our CTE courses provide access to:

- *work experiences*
- *college credits*
- *industry-recognized credentials*
- *entrepreneurial experiences*



CTE Pathways @ Washington High School

Click on pathways for more info!





NAVIANCE

- Throughout the school year, students and teachers will utilize the [Naviance](#) platform.
- [Naviance](#) is a self-exploration and planning program. This program focuses on college, career, and life readiness, providing tools to prepare students for postsecondary success.
- [Naviance](#) helps students set personal goals, identify their learning styles, explore careers that match their personal interests, and increase their understanding of college or training needed to pursue those careers.

The [Naviance](#) program centers around six foundational categories:

1. Social-Emotional Learning
2. Interpersonal Skills
3. Academic Skills
4. Career Knowledge
5. College Knowledge
6. Transition Skills

NAVIANCE AT WASHINGTON

- The CCC will provide updated activity calendars for Naviance that students will complete during Family Advocacy
 - Every student should complete and submit the assigned lessons and tasks

Activities

- If you have questions about WHS athletics, please feel free to contact the Athletic Office at (913) 627-7802 or wendy.cyrus@kckps.org. Email is the fastest way to reach us.
- We are always willing to help you with any questions or concerns that you may have. Always remember that you are representing Washington High School when participating in athletics. We look forward to a wonderful year with you!
- To view this week's athletic events, visit <http://www.kansascitykpsps.org>.



<u>Fall Sports</u>	<u>Winter Sports</u>	<u>Spring Sports</u>
Cross Country	Basketball Boys	Baseball
Football	Basketball Girls	Soccer Girls
Cheerleading	Football	Softball
Debate	Bowling	Swimming Girls
Scholars Bowl	Debate	Track
Soccer Boys	Wrestling Boys	
Volleyball Girls	Scholars Bowl	
	Swimming Boys	
	Cheerleading	
	Soccer Boys	
	Wrestling Girls	



Title IX

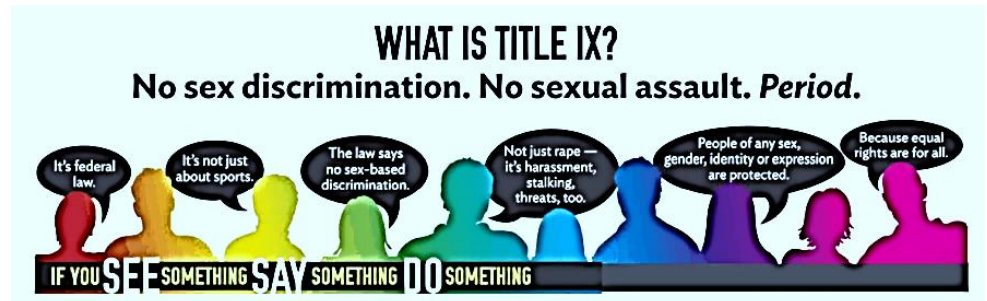
"No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance."

Title IX Coordinator at WHS

Don Nethicumara, AP

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Office Phone: (913)-627-7884



How to file a complaint

- **DO NOT WAIT!**
- **The complaint process starts by reporting the incident**
- **You may contact your principal, or other school administrative staff**
- **You may contact the Title IX coordinator at anytime**

Sexual Harassment or Racial Discrimination

Per Board Policy, all staff and students are required to report any sexual harassment or race discrimination incidents they experience, witness, hear about, or receive a report on from a colleague or student.

Such incidents are to be reported to the Building Title IX Coordinator, **Don Nethicumara**.

- If the staff member/student does not feel comfortable reporting to the building, they can contact Human Resources or any of the District Compliance Officers listed below.
 - Lisa Walker, Title IX/Non-Discrimination District Coordinator:
 - Email: lisa.walker@kckps.org
 - Phone number: 913-627-2829
 - Dr. JaKyta Lawrie, Executive Director of Special Education and Disability Compliance Officer
 - Email: jakyta.lawrie@kckps.org
 - Phone number: 913-551-3200
 - Samrie Devin, Associate Superintendent of Human Resources
 - Email: samrie.devin@kckps.org
 - Phone number: 913-627-4358

BULLYING/CYBER-BULLYING/HARASSMENT

WHAT CAN I DO ABOUT IT?

- ▶ **Help so someone in need:** 50% of the time, bullying stops if a bystander intervenes.
- ▶ **Tell someone:** If you are being bullied, ask a teacher, parent or even a friend for help in stopping the bully.
- ▶ **Don't ignore it:** The worst thing to do when faced with a bully is to ignore the problem.



- Staff/students can also use the **Bullying/Harassment Report button** on the school website (<https://washington.schools.kckps.org>) make a report. Reports go directly to central office leaders.
- Students can also use the district phone line which is 913-627-2550

What is cyberbullying?

Cyberbullying is the use of digital media (such as websites, apps, and text messages) to intimidate, upset, or harm someone. It includes repeatedly sending, posting, or sharing negative, harmful, or mean content about someone else on purpose.

Board Policy

Bullying: K.S.A 72-8256: "Bullying" means: Any intentional gesture or any intentional written, verbal, electronic (e.g. social media) or physical act or threat that is sufficiently severe, persistent or pervasive that it creates an intimidating, threatening or abusive educational environment for a student or staff member that a reasonable person, under the circumstances, knows or should know will have the effect of:

- Harming a student or staff member, whether physically or mentally;
- Damaging a student's or staff member's property;
- Placing a student or staff member in reasonable fear of harm to the student or staff i. member; or
- Placing a student or staff member in reasonable fear of damage to the student's or staff member's property



Dress code

- Students must wear clothing including both a shirt with pants or skirt, or the equivalent (for example dresses, leggings or shorts) and shoes.
- When the body is standing straight, clothing must cover the chest, back, torso, stomach, and lower extremities from armpit to armpit and mid -thigh. Tops must have a strap and at no time may any part of a student's buttocks be exposed.
- Clothing must cover all undergarments. No underwear or undergarments may be visible at any time. Clothing may not be see-through.
- Clothing must be suitable for all scheduled classroom activities including physical education, science labs, shop classes, field trips and other activities where unique hazards or specialized attire or safety gear is required. Bare feet are not permitted at any time.
- Student apparel and grooming must also meet requirements of any courses which are part of the approved curriculum in which they are enrolled.

Attire and/ or grooming depicting or advocating violence, weapons, illegal activity, gang-related activity (including clothes, accessories, or colors identified by KCKPS as gang- affiliated), use of tobacco, alcohol or drugs, obscenity, pornography, foul language, hate speech, or clothing that could be considered dangerous or that could be used as a weapon are prohibited.



Technology Acceptable Use Policy

Click here → [Link](#)

Parking Policy



Student parking is located in the LOWER LOT only.

NO PARKING on the EAST LOT between the east entrance and the stadium. You will be ticketed/towed in this lot.

You will need the following for a parking pass:

1. Valid License
2. Valid Insurance
3. Plates

WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL – PARKING / TRAFFIC PLAN



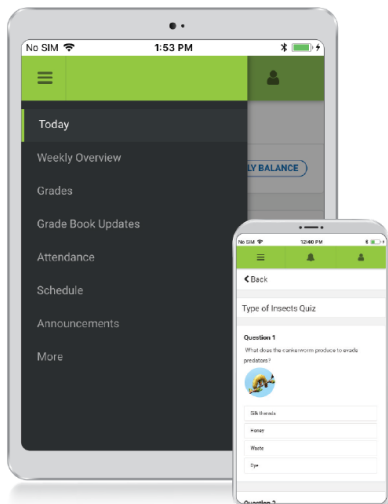
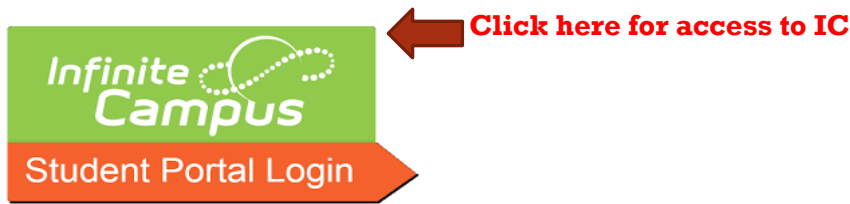
ID policy

Student IDs play a significant role in the safety and security plan of our school. Students must always have a Washington High School ID on them when on campus.

- **A valid Washington High School ID is required for entering the building during school hours.**
- **Students will receive one warning and a free replacement ID. After the warning, a \$5 charge will be placed on their student account for each additional replacement ID.**
- **Do not deface your ID's by coloring, adding stickers or changing the design of the ID.**

Infinite Campus (IC) - Student Portal

The **INFINITE CAMPUS STUDENT PORTAL** is a confidential and secure website and mobile app that allows students real-time access to important announcements, assignments, attendance, grades and more. App users can set notifications to receive alerts on assignments, attendance, and grades.



Download the Mobile App **Campus Student and Campus Parent**

Announcements

Quickly see district announcements as they are posted.

Assignments

Browse assignments by specific class or due date.

Attendance

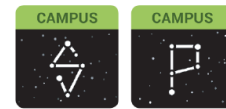
Review attendance events in summary and detail form.

Grades

Immediate access to grades as they are posted.

Schedule

Review schedule from anywhere, at any time.



Infinite Campus Mobile Apps can be downloaded through the Apple App Store or Google Play Store

