



Class of 2027

Let's get READY





**BE SAFE
BE KIND
&
BE RESPECTFUL**

WELCOME TO SKHS

Introducing Your Freshman Team

Ms. Charla Cole
Assistant Principal



Mr. Marcus Logue
Dean of Students



Ms.
Michelle
McGuirk
A-K



Ms.
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Puryear
L-Z



Ms.
Susie Nass
Career
Counselor



TOTAL CREDIT REQUIREMENTS

SUBJECTS	CREDITS
Language Arts	4.0
Math	3.0
Social Studies	3.0
Science (2 labs)	3.0
Health	.5
Physical Education	1.5
Career	1.0
Arts	2.0
World Language	2.0
General Electives	10.0
TOTAL	30.0



* May Substitute Personalized
Pathway Courses For:
***1 credit of Art and 2 credits
of World Language***

FRESHMAN REQUIREMENTS

Per Semester

- English
- Math
- Social Studies (optional)
- Science
- PE/Health
- Freshman Success (Future Focus) or AVID
- Art
- Elective

*Balance Your Courses
Consider: World Language*

Be YOU, Do YOU!

*And yes...Mom and Dad get to
help make these choices!*

How to Succeed in 9TH GRADE

STUDENTS

- Most freshmen have a significant amount of homework and a lot more reading to do
- Develop good study habits
- Come to school – ATTENDANCE is KEY! (more to follow)
- PASS your classes - GPA – Credits – Freshmen Courses all part of permanent record
- Make good choices

PARENTS

- Monitor progress - Check interim/mid term and semester report cards and REACH OUT during conference time
- Help your child develop good morning and nighttime routines and make sure your students gets enough sleep
- Insist on regular attendance – big factor in success
- Monitor your child's social media
- If you need Skyward Access please email: greene@skschools.org

Academic Success



Everything Counts



Social Growth



Using Technology



ATTENDANCE

DAILY ATTENDANCE IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER!

Did you know students shouldn't miss more than 9 days of school each year to stay engaged, successful, and on track to graduation.

Good attendance helps students to:

- ✓ Reduce stress
- ✓ Make it easier to connect with friends and teachers, helps create a sense of belonging
- ✓ Be successful learners

Missing a day of school here and there may not seem like much, but they add up!

When a student misses just 2 days/month, they will miss 20 days/year; 60 hours of instruction (reading and writing) and over 1 year of school by graduation!

We need and want you to be here and present to get the most of your education

SCHOOL IS MORE THAN JUST GRADUATING!

- ❖ Tacoma Dome - June 2027
- ❖ Graduation with your peers
- ❖ 4-year completion & celebration of accomplishments



IT'S ALSO ABOUT GETTING INVOLVED: BELONGING



ACTIVITIES

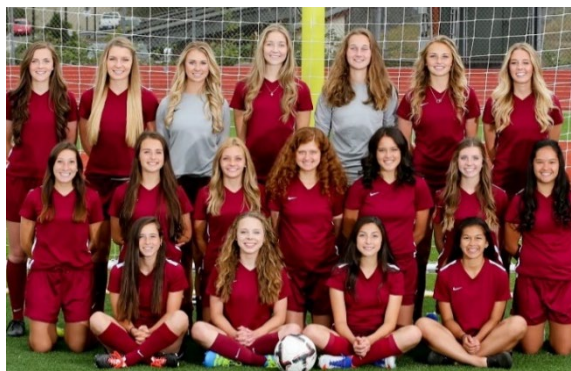
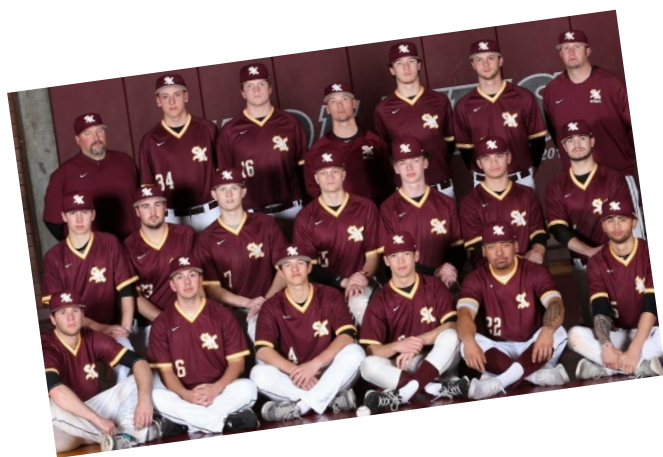
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SPORTS

**STUDENT
COUNCIL**

ARTS

**Special
Interest
Groups**



How do I get college and career ready?

- Identify a career – this can be done in Xello. Our High School and beyond platform. There are so many features in Xello that can help you explore future plans and even future colleges.
- Be here!! Attendance is a key indicator for graduation success. 90% Attendance (*Total Absences Less Than 10 Days/Yr*)
- Two Or More Organized Co-curricular Activities
- Dual Credit Career Pathway Course



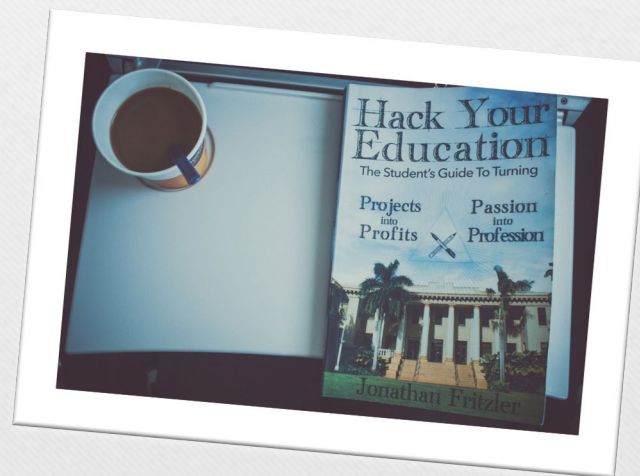
How will I know if I've prepared for college?

Having one or more of these indicators:

- 3.0 GPA
- Advanced Placement (A,B,C)
- Advanced Placement Exam (3+)
- Algebra II and above

possible:

- SAT: Math (530), Reading/Writing (480)
- ACT: English (18), Reading (22), Math (22)
- Not all colleges are requiring SAT and ACTs





College Ready

Advanced Placement (AP)

- College credit possible depending on AP exam scores

AP Capstone Diploma

- Recognized as a premier college readiness program
- AP Seminar and AP Research courses required
- Earn a 3 or higher on one exam in “Seminar” and “Research” as well as four additional exams of student’s choosing

Running Start

- Must qualify with the Accuplacer test or state exams
- Earn up to 15 credits per quarter – tuition free
- Available for juniors and seniors



Other Post Secondary Options

CTE COURSES

- **Explore Options For Your Future here at SKHS**

Video production, Engineering/CAD, Automotive, Early Childhood Education, Sports Medicine, Computer Sciences, Business and Marketing, Culinary, Vet Sciences, Agriculture, Graphic Design

- **Tech Prep/Dual Credit**

Courses aligned with community college course. If you earn an A or B student can apply for the community college credit.

WEST SOUND TECHNICAL SKILLS CENTER

15 (+) programs that teach skills specific to a technical program. Available for juniors and seniors only.



COMING UP - CAREER FAIR

INFORMATION ABOUT:

Resumes & Job Search

Apprenticeships (PSNS, Boeing etc.)

Armed Services

Career Research

College *Dual Credit* for High School Classes

Financial Aid: FAFSA/WASFA

Field Trips: Colleges, employers

ASVAB, ACCUPLACER testing

Scholarship Coordinator



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STAY CONNECTED

SKYWARD FAMILY ACCESS

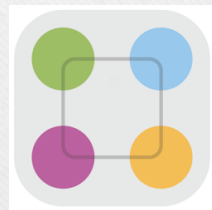


Use It To:

- View schedules, grades, report cards, attendance. Get updates on the message board, communicate with teachers, request changes, receive notifications, check graduation requirements, excuse absences.
- Log in anywhere on our district website that you see the Skyward logo. Download the mobile app on your smartphone.

PARENTSQUARE

Use It To:



- Receive the fastest, most up-to-date announcements and notifications about SKHS, communicate with teachers, staff, attendance office, etc.
- Download the mobile app on your smartphone.



SKHS Website

<https://skhs.skschools.org>



SKHS Facebook Page

<https://www.facebook.com/SKHSWolves>



LET'S GO WOLVES

Thank you for your time!