



WASHBURN HIGH SCHOOL

2023-2024 School Profile

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MISSION:

Through intercultural understanding and respect, Washburn High School's mission is to ensure students' academic and social growth in an environment that fosters active student involvement while nurturing compassionate life-long learners and global citizens.

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SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY

Built in 1925, Washburn is one of seven comprehensive urban public high schools in the Minneapolis School District. The district serves nearly 33,000 students of which 1594 of them are Washburn students. Washburn High School educates students in grades 9-12 and is located in the Tangletown neighborhood of southwest Minneapolis amidst the city's renowned parks and lakes system. The community of Washburn students, families, and staff is proud of its ethnic, racial, linguistic, and religious diversity as it draws from attendance boundaries that span across these multiple strata. Washburn is fully accredited by the State of Minnesota and the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

CURRICULUM

Washburn High School provides a rigorous college preparatory curriculum. The International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Programme was authorized in 2012 and the program has seen exponential growth since its inception. Along with college-level coursework, students are engaged in independent research and creative, physical and community service activities all of which can lead to the awarding of the internationally recognized IB Diploma. Only the most dedicated and ambitious students attempt to earn the diploma, but many students take IB coursework for enrichment. Additionally, Washburn offers Advanced Placement (AP) coursework. Seniors can also take a dual high-school/college credit course offered on campus through community college partners. Finally, Washburn offers a series of 6 Project Lead the Way (PLTW) engineering courses that integrate national academic and technical learning standards and Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) principles.

Advanced Course Offerings (Available to Class of 2024)

English

AP English Literature (10)
IB HL Lang. and Lit. (11/12)
IB SL Lit. And Perf (11/12)

Science

IB SL/HL Biology (11/12)
IB HL Physics (12)
AP Physics
AP Chemistry
IB SL Environmental Systems (12)

Mathematics

AP Statistics (10,11,12)
IB SL Math Studies (11/12)
IB SL Math (11/12)
IB HL Math (11/12)
MCTC Algebra and Stats (12)
AP Calculus

World Language

IB SL/HL Spanish
IB SL/HL French
IB SL Arabic

Social Studies

AP Human Geography (9)
AP US History (10)
IB SL/HL History (11/12)
IB Theory of Knowledge (11/12)
IB SL Global Politics

Fine Arts

IB SL/HL Visual Art

Post-Secondary Enrollment Options: Minnesota offers a dual-credit post-secondary enrollment program (PSEO) which allows qualified students to take courses at local colleges and universities. Each program has its own unique set of qualifications and applications to allow students to access these opportunities.

UMTYUMP: Highly accelerated mathematics students can apply for the University of Minnesota Talented Youth Mathematics Program beginning in 7th grade and take most or all of their high school math coursework at the University. Credits are applied to the high school transcript.

Impact of Covid-19 on Washburn instruction and grading practices:

Due to Covid 19, all grading for 4th quarter 2020 was on a Credit/No Credit basis only. This quarter along with Quarters 1-3 in 2020-2021 was conducted through distance learning only. Quarter 4 was conducted using an optional hybrid model.



STUDENT ENROLLMENT

as of September 15, 2023

Total students:	1594
Seniors	411
Juniors	432
Sophomores	379
Freshmen	393

Special Education	9.94%
ELL	13.03%
FRL/Reduced Lunch	39.82%

Asian	3.8%
Black/African American	18.7%
Hispanic	14.0%
Native American.	2.5%
White	59.8%

Languages spoken at home: 24

CURRICULUM SNAPSHOT

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Career and Technical Education

Project Lead The Way

English

English Language Learners

Fine Arts

Music, Theater, Visual Arts

Mathematics

Physical Education and Health

Science

Special Education

Collaborative Resource Instruction

Soc/Emot. Needs Program (SPAN)

Autism Program (ASD)

Dev/Cog.Dis Program (DCD)

World Language

*American Sign Language, Arabic,
French, Spanish*

COLLEGE ACCESS AND ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

Project Success

Upward Bound (TRIO)

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Classes meet daily for six 55-minute periods. Students must earn a minimum of 21.5 credits and successfully complete the following core requirements to earn a Washburn diploma:

English	4	History/Social Science	3.5	Electives	5
Mathematics	3	Physical Education	.5	Fine Arts	1
Science	3	Health Education	.5		

GRADING SCALE

A	4.00	B-	2.67	D+	1.33	CR	Pass in Pass/Fail Course	<i>Highest unweighted GPA in Class of 2024: 4.00 (13)</i>
A-	3.67	C+	2.33	D	1.00	NC	Fail in a Pass/Fail Course	
B+	3.33	C	2.00	F	0.00			
B	3.00	C-	1.67					

Unless dictated by an IEP or extenuating circumstances, all courses are taken for a letter grade (except "Teacher Aide"). Students may opt to take one class on a CR/NC basis one per quarter. GPA's are re-calculated on a quarterly basis. Minneapolis Public Schools does not allow for weighted grades. Washburn uses not rank it's student..

All courses taken at Washburn are designated on the transcript under "SCHL" as "IJ"

- **Courses taken through Minnesota's PSEO program** are applied to a Washburn are translated "as is" (un-weighted) from the University's or College's transcript.
- **Transfer student** grades are applied to a Washburn transcript with fidelity from the sending domestic institution.
- **Transcripts from international schools** are typically interpreted according to scale provided by school
- All grades earned in summer school or in our credit recovery program are valued the same as those earned during the school year.
- **High School courses completed during middle school** (e.g., Intermediate Algebra and Geometry) may be listed on transcripts and are applied toward graduation requirements. Grades earned are not averaged into a student's cumulative GPA.

CLASS OF 2024 DECILE RANK DISTRIBUTION

Decile	GPA Distribution	Decile	GPA Distribution
1	4.000 – 3.969	6	3.539 - 3.253
2	3.968 – 3.897	7	3.252 – 2.982
3	3.896 – 3.820	8	2.981 – 2.571
4	3.819 – 3.702	9	2.570 – 2.052
5	3.701 – 3.540	10	2.051 – below

ADVANCED ACADMIC INFORMATION

	AP Exams	% Scoring 3+	IB Exams	IB Diploma Recipients	PSEO Students
2017	495	60.3	623	8	85
2018	578	57.1	647	21	108
2019	642	59.5	468	11	81
2021	685	43.2	429	10	95
2022	650*	61.0	367	13	110

*74% of these students were 9th and 10th graders

ACT TEST SCORES

	% Testing	WHS Mean (All)	WHS Mean (4 year bound)
Class of 2015	93.2	22.58	24.49 (57.5%)
Class of 2016	94.7	22.20	24.08 (52.8%)
Class of 2017	94.0	22.51	24.87 (51%)
Class of 2018	97.7	23.25	27.00 (50.6%)
Class of 2019	92.5	23.09	26.16 (58.9%)
Class of 2021	60.0	24.06	25.78(63.8%)
Class of 2022	80.3	23.98	25.56 (65.0%)

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POST SECONDARY PLANS (2022)

4-Year College: 65%

2-Year College: 25%

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COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY MATRICULATION (2019-2022)

Colleges where Washburn students planned to attend based on final transcript request.

Academy of Art University	George Washington University	Saint John's University	Montana State University
University of Minnesota-Rochester	Gonzaga University	Saint Louis University	Morgan State University
American University	Goucher College	Savannah College of Art & Design	North Carolina State University at Raleigh
Augsburg University	Grand Canyon University	Seattle University	North Dakota State University
Augustana University	Grand View University	St Catherine University	Northern Michigan University
Babson College	Grinnell College	St Olaf College	Ohio State University-Main Campus
Bard College	Gustavus Adolphus College	St. Francis College	Oregon State University
Barnard College	Hamline University	St. Lawrence University	Pennsylvania State University
Baylor University	Harvey Mudd College	Syracuse University	Roosevelt University
Beloit College	Hawaii Pacific University	The College of Saint Scholastica	Saint Cloud State University
Bethany Lutheran College	Hope College	The College of Wooster	San Diego State University
Bethel University	Howard University	The New School	South Dakota School of Mines and Technology
Boston Conservatory	Illinois Wesleyan University	Tufts University	South Dakota State University
Boston University	Ithaca College	University of Chicago	Southern University and A & M College
Bowdoin College	John Cabot University	University of Dayton	Southwest Minnesota State University
Brigham Young University-Idaho	Johnson C Smith University	University of Denver	Temple University
Brown University	Kalamazoo College	University of Evansville	Texas A & M University
Bryn Mawr College	Kenyon College	University of Pennsylvania	The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Carleton College	Lawrence University	University of Puget Sound	The University of Texas at Dallas
Carnegie Mellon University	Lehigh University	University of Richmond	United States Military Academy
Carolina University	Lewis & Clark College	University of San Francisco	University of Aberdeen
Carroll University	Loyola Marymount University	University of Southern California	University of British Columbia
Carthage College	Loyola University Chicago	University of St. Thomas (MN)	University of California-Los Angeles
Chapman University	Loyola University New Orleans	University of Tulsa	University of California-San Diego
Clark Atlanta University	Luther College	Vassar College	University of California-Santa Barbara
Clark University	Macalester College	Wesleyan University	University of Cincinnati
College of Saint Benedict	Marquette University	Wheaton College	University of Colorado Boulder
College of the Atlantic	Middlebury College	Whitman College	University of Houston-Downtown
Colorado College	Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design	Willamette University	University of Illinois Chicago
Columbia College Chicago	Minneapolis College of Art and Design	Arizona State University	University of Iowa
Concordia College at Moorhead	Mount Holyoke College	Bemidji State University	University of Kansas
Concordia University-Saint Paul	New York University	Cleveland State University	University of Massachusetts-Amherst
Cornell College	North Central College	Colorado School of Mines	University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
Cornell University	North Central University	Colorado State University	University of Minnesota-Duluth
Creighton University	North Park University	Dalhousie University	University of Minnesota-Morris
Dartmouth College	Northeastern University	Durham University	University of Minnesota-Twin Cities
Denison University	Northland College	Fashion Institute of Technology	University of Nebraska at Omaha
DePaul University	Northwestern University	Ferris State University	University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Dickinson College	Oberlin College	Florida Southwestern	University of New Hampshire
Drake University	Occidental College	Indiana University	University of North Carolina Wilmington
Drexel University	Pace University, New York City Campus	Iowa State University	University of North Dakota
Eckerd College	Point Park University	Kent State University	University of Northern Iowa
Elon University	Providence College	McGill University	University of Oregon
Florida Memorial University	Reed College	Metropolitan State University	University of South Carolina
Fordham University	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	Michigan State University	University of Toronto
Franklin W Olin College of Engineering	Rhodes College	Michigan Technological University	University of Utah
Gallaudet University	Rocky Mountain College	Minnesota State University-Mankato	University of Vermont