

Walla Walla High School

Profile 2023-2024

Home of the Blue Devils

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“Developing Washington’s Most Sought-After Graduates”

MISSION STATEMENT

In partnership with families and community, Walla Walla Public Schools ensures a culture of equity and belonging, where every student achieves levels of learning through relevant and rigorous educational experiences.

SCHOOL & COMMUNITY

Enrollment: **1646 (9-12)**

Number of Teaching Faculty: **84**

Number of Counselors: **5**

Senior Class Size: **401**

Accreditation: **Northwest Association**

Located in the southeastern corner of Washington, Walla Walla High School serves the students of Walla Walla and the surrounding communities. Over the past 100 years, WWHS has emerged as one of the premier high schools in eastern Washington. As a comprehensive public high school operating on a semester schedule, WWHS serves the needs of a diverse student body through programs including Advanced Placement, College in the High School, Career and Technical Education, Running Start, University Enrichment Programs, and AVID. In addition to these programs, there are numerous student clubs and athletic teams.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Walla Walla High School’s academic year is divided into two semesters with official grades reported in January and in June. Students have an option to take a seven period day to maximize their educational opportunities. [click here to visit the school year calendar: 2023-2024 School District Calendar](#)

CURRICULUM

Walla Walla High School offers a comprehensive curriculum. There are several program opportunities available for WWHS students. Students can access support through Special Education and Multilingual /English Learner Services. There are also half-day programs available through SeaTech (Skills/CTE center), where students can receive certifications. Students may also access Honors, College in the High School and/or AP Courses. Some students may also

begin earning high school credit in middle school through an accelerated program in mathematics and Spanish. WWHS currently offers 9 Honors courses and 19 AP courses.

AP Courses are offered in:

2-D Art and Design

Drawing

Computer Science A

Computer Science Principles

Language and Composition

Literature and Composition

Calculus AB

Calculus BC

Statistics

Biology

Chemistry

Environmental Science

Physics: Algebra Based

Human Geography

Psychology

US History

US Government & Civics

Spanish Language

Spanish Literature & Culture

For more detailed information, please visit our [2023-2024 Course Catalog](#) available on the website:

Running Start

A state legislated program where qualified juniors and seniors can earn high school and college credit simultaneously through community college classes. All credits appear on the high school transcript.

Enrichment Programs

Programs at Whitman College and Walla Walla University are available to students where they can earn college credit on a tuition-free basis. Credits do not appear on the high school transcript.

NATIONAL MERIT

Three students were designated as National Merit Semi Finalists, and Five students were designated as National Merit Commended Students last year. Over the years, WWHS has had many National Merit Commended Students and Finalists.

COLLEGE ATTENDANCE

The class of 2023 was composed of 414 seniors. Approximately 45% of these students entered a four-year institution and 30% entered a two-year institution.

RANK and GRADE EXPLANATION

Grade	Points	Grade	Points
A	4.0	A-	3.7
B+	3.3	B	3.0
B-	2.7	C+	2.3
C	2.0	C-	1.7
D+	1.3	D	1.0

Grade point average and class rank are computed beginning with the fall of the freshman year and each semester thereafter through the eighth semester. A grade of "P" indicates credit has been earned, but the grade is not figured into the GPA. All GPA's are un-weighted.

TESTING INFORMATION

2022-23 Avg SAT 1 Scores

(58 students tested)

WWHS Total Average Score: 1228

Math:596 ERW: 630

2022-23 Avg ACT Composite Score

(228 students tested) **WWHS: 18.7**

2022 ADVANCED PLACEMENT RESULTS

In the spring of 2023, 253 WWHS students took 446 Advanced Placement examinations in nineteen different subjects. 76% of the students who took AP exams earned a score of a 3 or higher.

CREDITS & GRADUATION

A minimum of 24 credits are required to receive a high school diploma. One half-credit is awarded for each semester-long course that is completed with a passing mark of at least 60%. WWHS has two diploma types:

College Pathway

English – 4	Science – 3
Mathematics – 3	Social Studies – 3
Fine Art - 2	Career and Technical – 1
World Language – 2	Electives – 4
Physical Education & Health – 2	

Career Pathway

English – 4	Science – 3
Mathematics – 3	Social Studies – 3
Fine Art – 1	Career and Technical – 1
Personalized Pathway – 3	Electives – 4
Physical Education & Health – 2	

In addition to earning 24 credits, students must also meet a Graduation Pathway, complete volunteer hours (30 hours for class of 2024), and pass a Senior Culminating Project/High School and Beyond Plan to meet Graduation requirements.

CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

Walla Walla High School has been highly successful in academic and athletic competitions at the local, regional, state and national levels. Music and theater groups compete annually with distinction. Student clubs and leadership opportunities include National Honor Society, JROTC, Student Government, Debate Club, The Wa-Hi Journal, Latino Club, FBLA, FFA, Key Club, among others.

ATHLETICS

WWHS is a member of the Washington Interscholastic Activities Association (WIAA). Blue Devil athletics includes baseball, basketball, bowling, cheerleading, cross country, dance, football, golf, soccer, softball (slow and fastpitch), swimming, tennis, track and field, volleyball, and wrestling. Blue Devil athletics has a long history of winning regional and state championship honors.

ADMINISTRATION

John Schumacher - *Principal*
Claudia Salazar - *Assistant Principal*
Carina Stillman - *Assistant Principal*
Susan James - *Assistant Principal*
Chris Ferenz - *Athletic Director*
Libby Thompson - *Special Education/504 Supervisor*

COUNSELING

Marilyn Melgoza Ochoa - *Counselor A-C*
Angie Gardea - *Counselor D-Ha*
Becky Jo Gifford - *Counselor He-Mc*
Jacob Croft - *Counselor Me-R*
Shari Widmer - *Counselor S-Z*
Karen Ruzicka - *Career Center Specialist*

REGISTRAR

Lisa Cox

See the [WWHS Staff Directory](#) for additional info.