

## WAMS

Waterbury Arts Magnet School is a safe and encouraging learning community that promotes 21st century learning expectations through the core values of preparation, service, and integrity.

### Magnet Programs:

-Fine & Performing Arts	-Lighting & Sound
-Acting	-Video Production
-Dance (tap,jazz,ballet,modern, choreography)	-Instrumental Music (Band & Strings)
-Visual Arts	-Photography
-Vocal Music	



*How can WAMS cultivate your career path, your ambitions, and your dreams?*

### WAMS Community Partners:

Waterbury Symphony Orchestra  
Shakespeare & The Palace Theatre



WAMS offers busing to our out of district students, as well as athletic opportunities with participating district schools for those who are interested in playing sports.

### WAMS Lottery Information:

Thank you for considering the unique educational environment of Waterbury Arts Magnet School for your child. WAMS is an inter-district school that accepts students from Middlebury, Naugatuck, Plymouth, Southbury, Terryville, Thomaston, Waterbury and Wolcott. Each year WAMS admits new incoming students for each grade, depending upon the availability of open seats. Students are selected based on a fair, random lottery, which ensures all students have an equal opportunity to enroll. Students that are not selected are placed on a waiting list.

*Lottery for 2026-2027 school year*  
**October 6, 2025 thru December 8, 2025**

**APPLY ONLINE!**

<https://wams.novuschoice.com>



If you have questions regarding the application, lottery, or waitlist process, please contact Ilene Morales.

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*A Nationally Recognized Leader in Urban Arts Education*



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Waterbury Arts Magnet School (WAMS) is a Grades 6-12 middle and high school located in revitalized downtown Waterbury, CT. Having been built in 2004 and attached to the historic Palace Theater, WAMS has a tradition of high performing magnet programs and academic excellence.

*Waterbury Arts Magnet School*  
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***“This is my home!”***



### 3 Performance Locations

Every year our theater, dance, band, orchestra and chorus departments put on 2 performances. We also host an annual art show to showcase our artists' talents.

- 1. Apron Stage** – This is the main theater performance stage.
- 2. Black Box Theater** – Doubles as a drama classroom and hosts small theater productions.
- 3. Recital Hall** - Hosts our musical performances, orchestra and chorus classes. The room is equipped with acoustic sound tiles to promote better sound quality.

### Wood Shop

Brand new renovations totaling over \$60k, where students make their own sets for performances.

### Photography

We offer digital photography courses, as well as a dark room for developing film. We also provide print making classes where students create posters for performances.

### TV Studio\Technical Theatre

Students learn behind the scenes intel regarding sound, lighting and audio. Our TV Studio is equipped with a control room, editing suites, and a green screen.

### Fitness Center

Brand new, state of the art exercise equipment for students and staff to utilize throughout the day.

### College & Career Media Center

Updated Media Center totaling \$45k. We hired a new library media specialist to assist students with research and citations.

### Digital Music Room\Recording Studio

Students learn how to create their own music, record podcasts, and video game coding. Rooms are equipped with Macbook workstations.



### Academic Programs:

English, Math, Social Studies, Science, World Language

### Advance Placement/UCONN:

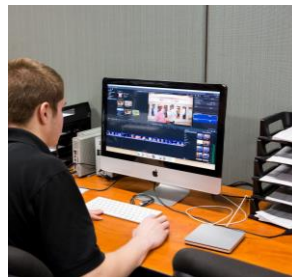
WAMS is an academically accomplished high school offering an array of Advance Placement (AP) & UCONN ECE courses including:

- AP English Literature	- UCONN English
- AP English Language	- UCONN Medical Terminology
- AP European History	- UCONN Environmental Science
- AP Modern World History	- UCONN US Government & Politics
- AP US History	- UCONN Mathematics
- AP Statistics	
- AP Calculus	
- AP Biology	
- AP Spanish	
- AP Psychology	

### College & Career Readiness at WAMS:

WAMS takes pride in our Career & Technical Education offerings which include:

-Robotics	-Stage Craft
-Business	-Web Design
-Technology	-Drone



WAMS has a 100% graduation rate for the past two years!

### Middle School:

Our WAMS MS offers rigorous academic courses and an honors cohort for qualifying students that takes Algebra 1, Spanish, and Physical Science. Students are exposed to a rotation of fine arts, including:

-Band	-Robotics
-Theater	-Chorus
-Set Design	-Orchestra
- Web Design	-Dance
-Computer Technology	-Art

WAMS middle school, grades 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> is designated to our fourth floor, where students have access to their own office, secretary, and principal.



### WAMS Clubs:

-National Honors Society	-Marching Band
-National Juniors Honors Society	-Chess Club
-Tri M Music Honor Society	-Newspaper Club
-National Spanish Honors Society	-Strings Club
-National Honors Society Dance Arts	-Visual Arts Club
-Science National Honors Society	-Robotics Club
-Senior Class Advisors	-Board Game Club
-Middle School Student Council	-Key Club
-DECA- HS	-Crochet Club- MS
-Fine Arts Mentor Program	-Spirit Club
-Drumline	-Ceramics Club
-Homework Center	-Ski/Snowboard Club
-Arts & Craft Club	-Costume club
-Student Council	-Fitness Club- HS
-Kazzo Band- MS	-Debate Club
-Modern Band	-Dance Club
-Jazz Band	-Center stage- (newspaper)
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