

THE WARDLAW+HARTRIDGE SCHOOL

2025-2026 PROFILE

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SCHOOL

The Wardlaw+Hartridge School is an independent coeducational day school serving 65 communities and is located on 36 acres in central New Jersey. The total number of 451 students in grades Pre-Kindergarten through grade 12 includes an Upper School enrollment of approximately 244.

Wardlaw+Hartridge is an NAIS leader in terms of student economic, social, cultural, and racial diversity. The school evolved in 1976 from a merger of The Wardlaw Country Day School for boys, founded in 1882, and The Hartridge School for girls, founded in 1884. It is accredited by the New Jersey Association of Independent Schools, holds memberships in the National and the New Jersey Association of Independent Schools, a member of the College Entrance Examination Board, the National Association for College Admission Counseling and the Association of College Counselors in Independent Schools.

MISSION STATEMENT

The Wardlaw+Hartridge School prepares students to lead and succeed in a world of global interconnection. We provide an educational atmosphere characterized by academic challenge, rigorous inquiry, support for individual excellence, diversity, and a familial sense of community.

DIVERSITY

The diversity of thought, background and culture at Wardlaw+Hartridge distinguishes us among independent schools, strengthens the global orientation of our curriculum and enriches the daily experience of every member of the school community, inside and outside the classroom. The school continues to be deeply committed to reflecting the diversity of the surrounding area within the school population. Our community self-identifies in the following percentages:

Asian	41%	Hispanic or Latino	10%	Middle Eastern	1%
Black or African American	16%	Multiracial	10%		
International	9%	European	13%	Financial Aid Recipients	48%

CURRICULUM

Our curriculum is exclusively college preparatory. Wardlaw+Hartridge not only prepares students to succeed in demanding college programs, but also educates students in the broadest sense of the term. Our aim is to graduate well-rounded citizens equipped with the intellectual, social, ethical and aesthetic qualities they need to achieve their full potential.

Course Offerings are listed in our Curriculum Guide, found at <https://tinyurl.com/3wfv2r2d>. We offer **23 Advanced Placement classes** in addition to **24 Honors classes**. Not all classes are offered every year, however. Honors and Advanced Placement courses are designated as such in the course title on the transcript. In addition, each year **we offer some specialized advanced level courses**, which we consider to be on par or beyond AP level for our most dedicated students. These are designated as **Advanced Topics** and include: **Capstone Research Seminar and Research in Genetics II as well as some select Independent Study offerings**.

Students are not advised to take more than six core academic courses in a given school year. Students who **wish to take AP classes must meet the prerequisite guidelines** set forth in our Curriculum Guide **and receive departmental approval**. Any exception to these guidelines requires administrative and faculty approval. This year, 28% of the Seniors have been approved for more than three APs. Only 13% will be allowed to take five - our most rigorous load. **All students taking an AP course are expected to take the equivalent exam in May.**

ADVANCED TOPICS: CAPSTONE RESEARCH SEMINAR

The optional Advanced Topics: Capstone Research Seminar hones and broadens students' academic research, scholarly writing, and research presentation skills. Students learn and employ state-of-the-art research methodologies as they design and carry out original scholarly research. Each student produces a unique and comprehensive final research article on a pressing issue in the discipline of their choice. Completed research projects are published in the [Wardlaw+Hartridge Capstone Research Journal](#). *Note: This course is viewed and weighted as Advanced Placement (AP) given its rigorous nature.*

GLOBAL SCHOLARS PROGRAM

The Global Scholars Program is designed for students who are interested in learning about current international challenges while demonstrating positive dispositions toward global stewardship. Students typically enroll in this program in 10th grade, earning an endorsement on their Wardlaw+Hartridge diploma after completing requirements within each of the following six strands: world language competency; specialized global coursework; cross-cultural experience; service learning; Capstone Research Seminar; and globally-focused participation in school community.

GLOBAL ONLINE ACADEMY

The Wardlaw+Hartridge School is a member of Global Online Academy (GOA), a consortium of leading independent schools from around the world whose mission is to reimagine learning to empower students and educators to thrive in a globally networked society. GOA schools develop the strategies and tools to lead innovation, and GOA faculty design rigorous learning experiences focused on cultivating relationships, sharing diverse perspectives on global issues, and encouraging a passion for learning. GOA courses equip students with the skills, strategies, and tools to be successful modern learners.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

To graduate from The Wardlaw+Hartridge School a student **must accumulate a minimum of 66 credits, at least 16 credits per year for grades 9-12**. The 66 credits must include four years of English, three years of mathematics, three years of science, three years of history, three consecutive years of world language, and one year of the arts, four years of physical education, two years of health, and an optional Advanced Topics: Capstone Research Seminar.

DISCIPLINARY POLICY

The Wardlaw+Hartridge School fully supports its enrolled students. If college admission officers have questions about an applicant's conduct, or any other aspect of an application, we welcome inquiries and discussion.

TEST RESULTS

Four Year SAT Results* (182 Test-Takers)

Evidence Based Reading and Writing

Mid 50%: 589-722

Mathematics

Mid 50%: 585-757

Class of 2026 Average of Advanced Placement Exams

55 students in the Class of 2026 sat for 140 AP exams in May of 2025. 88% of students received a score of 3 or higher; 62% received a score of 4 or 5.

Four-Year ACT Results* (45 Test-Takers)

ACT Composite

Mid 50%: 26-33

* Note that this dataset is limited as we find fewer of our students are sitting for multiple test dates with the increase in test-optional opportunities.

ACADEMIC PROFILE FOR CLASS OF 2026

GPA Range for Class of 2026 (60 Students): 70.13-102.14

Average cum (weighted) GPA for Class of 2026: 93.57

Wardlaw+Hartridge does not compute rank in class due to the small size and competitive nature of the student body.

JUNIOR YEAR GRADE DISTRIBUTION, CLASS OF 2026

A student's GPA is based on grades obtained in their major academic courses. The reported GPA is calculated on a 100-point scale and is weighted for Honors (x 1.025) and AP (x 1.05) courses. Grades are assigned numerically and not by letter.

100-97 = A+	89-87 = B+	79-77 = C+	69-67 = D+	Below 60 = F
96-93 = A	86-83 = B	76-73 = C	66-63 = D	P = Pass
92-90 = A-	82-80 = B-	72-70 = C-	62-60 = D-	

COURSE	A+	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D+	D	D-	F	TOTAL
AP COMP SCI A	2	2	3	1										8
AP COMP SCI PRINCIPLES	4	1	1											6
AP CALCULUS AB	5	6	1											12
PRE-CALCULUS	3	5	4	2	1		1							16
PRE-CALCULUS HONORS	1	5	6	3	1									16
STATISTICS				1	1	1								3
AP ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE		2		2	1									5
AP CHEMISTRY	3		1											4
AP BIOLOGY	4	8	1											13
PHYSICS	1	2	3	3	3	1	1				1	1		16
PHYSICS HONORS	6	6	9	7	8	3	1		1					41
ENGINEERING YOUR WORLD	3													3
RESEARCH IN GENETICS, H	5													5
AP HUMAN GEOGRAPHY	5	4		1										10
AP MICROECONOMICS	1	5	1	1	1									9
AP MACROECONOMICS	2	2			1				1					6
US HISTORY	3	3		2	3	2		1			1		2	19
US HISTORY HONORS	8	4	4			1								17
AP US HISTORY	2	6	4	3										15
ENGLISH III	3	15	4	2	2		1	1	1	1		1		31
AP ENGLISH LANGUAGE	16	11	3	1										31
SPANISH III HONORS	1	3				1								5
SPANISH IV HONORS	1	5	2	2										10
AP SPANISH LANGUAGE	2			1										3
CHINESE IV HONORS	2	2												4
LATIN III HONORS	2	1												3
LATIN IV HONORS	5													5

Note: For the sake of space, only classes where three or more students were enrolled are included in the distribution chart.



Five Year Matriculation List 2021-2025

Aberystwyth University
 Alfred College
 Amherst College*
 Barnard College*
 Bentley College*
 Binghamton University
*Boston University**
*Brown University**
 Bryant University*
 Bucknell University
 California State Polytechnic
 University (Pomona)
 Carnegie Mellon University*
 Case Western Reserve University*
 Colgate University*
 Columbia University*
*Connecticut College**
*Cornell University**
 Delaware State University
 Dickinson College*
*Drew University**
 Drexel University*
 Elon University
 Emerson College*
 Emory University*
 Fairfield University
*Fairleigh Dickinson University**
*Fordham University**
 Franklin & Marshall College
*George Washington University**
 Georgetown University*
 Georgia Institute of
 Technology
 Hampton University
 Harvard University
Haverford College
Howard University
 Indiana University (Bloomington)
 Lawrence University
 Lehigh University*
 Loyola University Maryland

Marist University*
 Marywood University
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
 McDaniel College
Merrimack College
Michigan State University
*Middlesex College**
Moravian University
Mt. San Antonio College
*Muhlenberg College**
 New York Institute of Technology
*New York University**
*Northeastern University**
 Ohio Wesleyan University
 Oxford College of Emory University
*Pennsylvania State University **
Pratt Institute
*Princeton University**
*Purdue University**
 Raritan Valley Community College*
 Reed College
 Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute*
 Rhode Island School of Design
 Rider University
 Rochester Institute of Technology*
*Rowan University**
*Rutgers University (New Brunswick)**
 Rutgers University (Newark)*
*Sacred Heart University**
Sarah Lawrence College
School of the Art Institute of Chicago
*Seton Hall University**
Siena College
*Skidmore College**
St. Thomas Aquinas College
 Stevens Institute of Technology*
Syracuse University
 Temple University
 The College of New Jersey*
 The University of Findlay
 Trinity College

Tufts University*
 University at Albany
 University of California, Berkeley*
*University of California, Davis **
 University of California, Irvine*
*University of California, Los Angeles**
 University of California, San Diego
 University of California, Santa
 Barbara
 University of Chicago
 University of Connecticut
 University of Illinois at Urbana-
 Champaign*
 University of Maryland Eastern Shore
 University of Massachusetts (Boston)*
 University of Miami*
 University of New Haven
 University of Notre Dame
*University of Pennsylvania (Altoona)**
University of Rhode Island
University of Richmond
 University of Rochester*
 University of Toronto
*University of Virginia**
 University of Washington (Seattle)
 Vassar College*
 Villanova University*
*Virginia Polytechnic Institute**
*Washington University in St. Louis**
 Wesleyan University
 William & Mary College
 Williams College
 Yale University*

*Multiple Students
Class of 2025 Italicized