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# STUDENT TESTIMONIALS

## Karissa Moreno, 12th Grade



"The Performing Arts Academy gave me the confidence and sense of self-worth I needed to grow as a performer. Throughout the program, my passion for acting deepened as my skills and artistry developed. I would strongly recommend this program to any student looking for meaningful growth, both on stage and as an individual."

## Angelo Gregorio, 12th Grade



"WCHS introduced me to teachers that pushed me to next level and allowed me to further my interests and develop real world skills. Whether for my academic or athletic interests, WCHS provided me with more than enough resources to support my growth both as an individual and as a student."

## Josiah Joseph, 12th Grade



"Coming to WCUSD, specifically West Covina High School, was truly the best decision I've made in my four years. The campus, its teachers, administration, as well as the students have made my four years enjoyable and memorable, with West Covina's excellent selection of extracurriculars such as sports and the diverse choice of clubs. The school has provided me with knowledge and experience as well as a place I can call home. It has truly shaped my future, making it bright and making me forever thankful."

## Hannah Truong, 12th Grade



"WCHS offers an endless amount of opportunities, giving students, such as myself, a way to express and explore our passions. I was fully immersed in all activities, juggling several extracurriculars such as leadership, athletics and clubs while being a student! This experience has shaped me into the person I am today, but couldn't be possible without our Bulldog community.

This community of teachers and staff challenges students to rise above setbacks, to take initiative, and to discover what they're capable of, preparing students like me to step into the world, already knowing our potential. WCHS will forever have a special place in my heart because of all the meaningful memories and experiences I've had here these past 4 years."

# Meet The Principal



Future Bulldogs,

Welcome to West Covina High School, Home of the Bulldogs! I am honored to be the principal of our amazing school. We have become an academic powerhouse as 51 students received the prestigious AP Diploma last

year. WCHS alone accounts for 5% of all AP Diplomas conferred in the entire state of California.

We hope that this lookbook shows you how much pride and love our students and staff have for our school. Please join West Covina High School and make us the launching pad for your Passion, Creativity and Spirit. Please contact me to schedule a tour and meet key staff members: [cpark@wcusd.org](mailto:cpark@wcusd.org). Together, let's start your journey to build your legacy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C Park'.

Charles Park, Ed.D.  
Principal  
[@drparkwchs](https://twitter.com/drparkwchs)



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**Future Bulldog News  
School Tours Dates**

# ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

## AVID

- AVID = Advancement via Individual Determination
- Four year college prep program
- Elective course to prepare students for universities/colleges.
- Provides students with college campus visits and college application support



## CTE

- 11 CTE pathways for hands-on learning
- Electives focus on career skills

**CAREER & TECHNICAL  
EDUCATION PATHWAYS**

## MODEL UN



- Competition Team
- Simulation of the United Nations where student research and debate global issues to find solutions.

## PERFORMING ARTS ACADEMY



- Performers take an exclusive class, receive private lessons/coaching, and work with a wide variety of professional teaching artist
- Offers four pillars: dance, instrumental, theater and vocal.

## MOCK TRIAL



- Simulated courtroom proceeding where students or participants act as lawyers and learn about the legal system and courtroom procedures.
- Participation in Los Angeles County Office of Education competition.

## Academic Decathlon USA<sup>®</sup>

- Scholastic competition team that competes across various academic subjects.
- Emphasize teamwork, academic excellence, and learning across different disciplines.

## PEER COUNSELING



- Two-year pathway to prepare students to serve as mentors and counselors in our school's Wellness Center

## DUAL ENROLLMENT



- College level classes offered in partnership with Mt. San Antonio College
- Earn both high school and college credit

## SPEECH & DEBATE



- Boosts communication skill
- Honors elective course can be taken from 9th-12th grade
- Offers small group coaching and opportunities for travel

## FIRST ROBOTICS COMPETITION



- Honors Credit Bearing
- Competitive robotics team that participates in various competitions.
- Learn to design, program, and build a competition robot.

## AFJROTC



- Elective focuses on character development and teaches the foundational principles and applications of air and space resources



## SCIENCE OLYMPIAD



- Premier STEM competition where students work together to explore all areas of science.

# BULLDOG SUCCESS

GRADUATION RATE

**99.6%**

COLLEGE GOING RATE

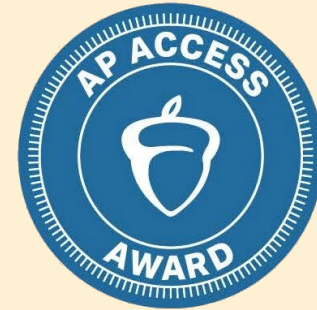
**84.4%**

**65%** AP PARTICIPATION

**89%** CTE PARTICIPATION

**43%** ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION

**95%** ARTS PARTICIPATION



Highest AP Honor Roll  
School in the Region!

UCLA ACCEPTANCE INFORMATION

WCHS ACCEPTANCE

**12%**

GLOBAL ACCEPTANCE

**9%**

NEIGHBORING  
SCHOOLS ACCEPTANCE

**7%**

LILY ZHUANG



JULIE LIU



Our Bulldog students such as **Julie Liu** and **Lily Zhuang** optimize what is possible at West Covina High School. Julie received a full scholarship to Stanford and Lily accomplished the same for MIT. Become a Bulldog and build your legacy.

# AP INSTITUTE

## AP INSTITUTE



West Covina High School is committed to promoting advanced academics and is recognized as an AP Honor Roll School. To encourage participation, we cover the cost of all AP exams for its students. WCHS embraces an Open Enrollment policy

for all AP and Honors courses and offers 27 AP courses and the prestigious AP Diploma Program. This distinction is highly valued by competitive universities and colleges, recognizing scholars in the top 1%. We believe that enrolling in AP courses is an excellent way for students to demonstrate their academic capabilities to their future colleges and universities.



## THE AP INSTITUTE IS A 4-YEAR AP PATHWAY AND A 2-YEAR ELECTIVE DIPLOMA PROGRAM THAT PROVIDES:

- Free AP Exams; \$120 per exam
- Save up to \$2000 in AP Exam related fees
- Earn the prestigious AP Diploma
- Access to College and Career Counselor



AP CAPSTONE DIPLOMA SPOTLIGHT

**KARINA GONZALEZ**



WCHS Class of 2023  
Stanford University  
Major: Sociology with a  
minor in Education



**PHUONG HO**



WCHS Class of 2023  
Stanford University  
Major: Management  
Science and Engineering



**AP COURSES**

AP English Language

AP Computer Science

AP Chemistry

AP Psychology

AP English Literature

AP Spanish Language

AP World History

AP Studio Art

AP Calculus AB

AP Spanish Literature

AP European History

AP Studio Art 2

AP Calculus BC

AP Mandarin

AP US History

AP Studio Art 3

AP Statistics

AP Physics

AP Government

AP Research

AP Pre-Calculus

AP Biology

AP Economics

AP Seminar

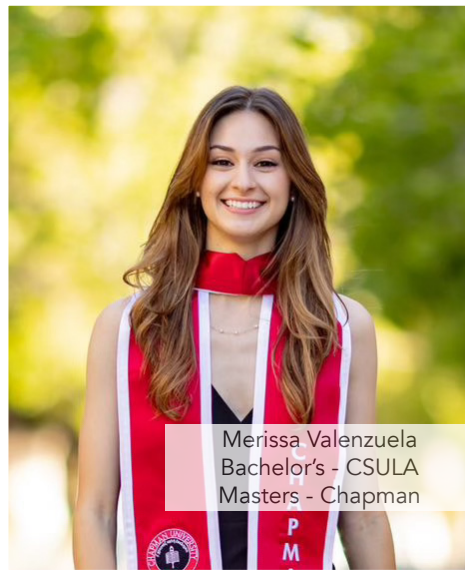
AP Principles of Computer Science

AP Environmental Science

AP Human Geography

# AVID

- AVID stands for Advancement Via Individual Determination
- Students accepted into the AVID program take a college prep elective that supports them in their academic skills and provides support for the college admission process.
- Students who participate in the program for 3-4 years and meet all program requirements graduate as AVID Scholars.



ACCEPTED INTO  
4-YEAR COLLEGE

**90%**

ELIGIBLE TO ATTEND  
4-YEAR COLLEGE

**100%**

AP PARTICIPATION

**98%**



# NEW AND UPDATED FACILITIES

## BASKETBALL NOAH SHOOTING SYSTEM

- NBA/NCAA standard digital shooting system



## IMPROVED BASEBALL/SOFTBALL FIELDS

- Dedicated grounds personnel

## PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

- State of the art technology, classroom, and performance facilities



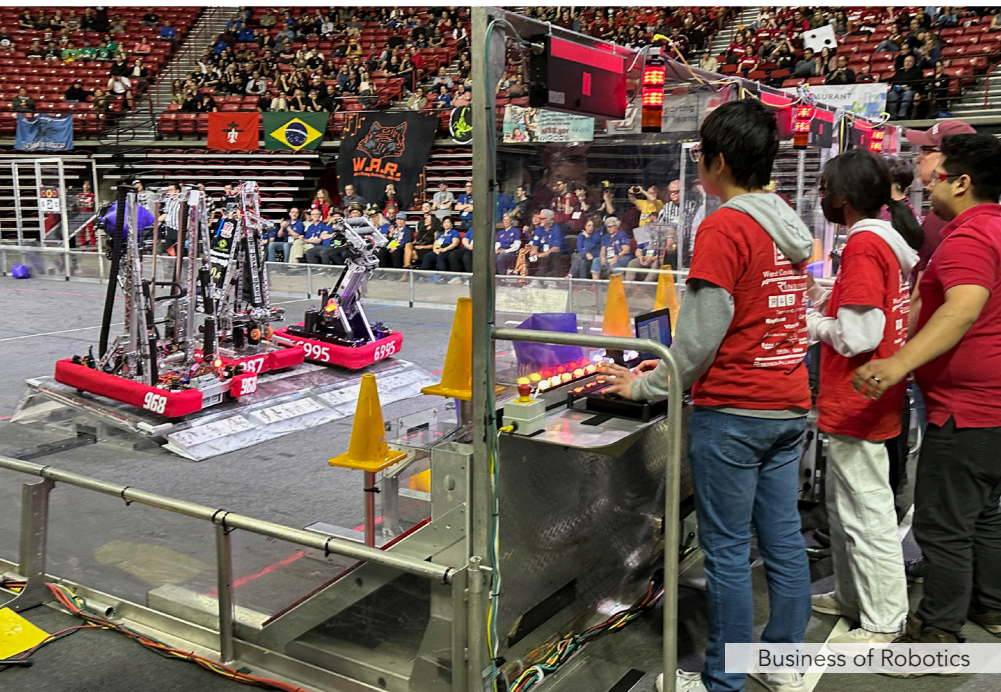
## ATHLETIC PERFORMANCE LAB

- Fully equipped sports recovery facility
- Cryotherapy chamber, ice baths, infrared saunas, and custom sports therapy equipment for our student athletes

# DISCOVER CTE PATHWAYS

Career Technical Education (CTE) Pathways enable students to learn academic and technical skills. Students learn transferable professional skills through project-based learning. Courses are sequenced so that students build on prior knowledge and work toward advanced coursework in the Capstone class.

## CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION PATHWAYS



“BY CHOOSING CULINARY ARTS, I WAS ABLE TO REFINE MY SKILLS AS WELL AS OPEN NEW DOORS THROUGH CREATIVITY, TEAMWORK, AND THE JOY OF MAKING MEMORIES WITH FELLOW STUDENTS. JOINING CULINARY OFFERS A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY THAT YOU CAN ONLY FIND HERE AT WESTCO, FULFILLING AN EVER CHANGING PATH FOR THOSE PASSIONATE ABOUT THE FOOD INDUSTRY.”

- CHRISTOPHER VELARDE, 11TH GRADE



## CTE PATHWAYS

### HOSPITALITY, TOURISM, AND RECREATION

- Culinary Arts I, II
- Advanced Culinary Arts



Business Academy

### ARTS, MEDIA, AND ENTERTAINMENT

- Non-Audition Choirs
- Audition Choirs
- Dance I, II, III
- Digital Media I, II
- Broadcast, Film Portfolio
- Photography I, II
- Theatre I, II, Theatrics I, II, III, IV
- Technical Theatre I, II
- Theatre Production



### HEALTH SCIENCE AND MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY

- Sports Medicine
- Athletic Training
- HOSA (Health Occupation Students of America)



### ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURE

- Computer Aided Design and Drafting
- Architectural Design
- Robotics I, II



### MARKETING, SALES, AND SERVICES

- Business of Robotics I, II
- Business Academy - Entrepreneurship
- FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America)



# BULLDOG ATHLETICS

WCHS is home to 25 varsity sports. Our Athletics Department focuses on the development of our athletes as scholars, teammates, competitors, and leaders. From League and CIF Championships to athletes pursuing collegiate and professional careers, WCHS Bulldog Athletics is rich in history and tradition.

## ATHLETE SPOTLIGHT



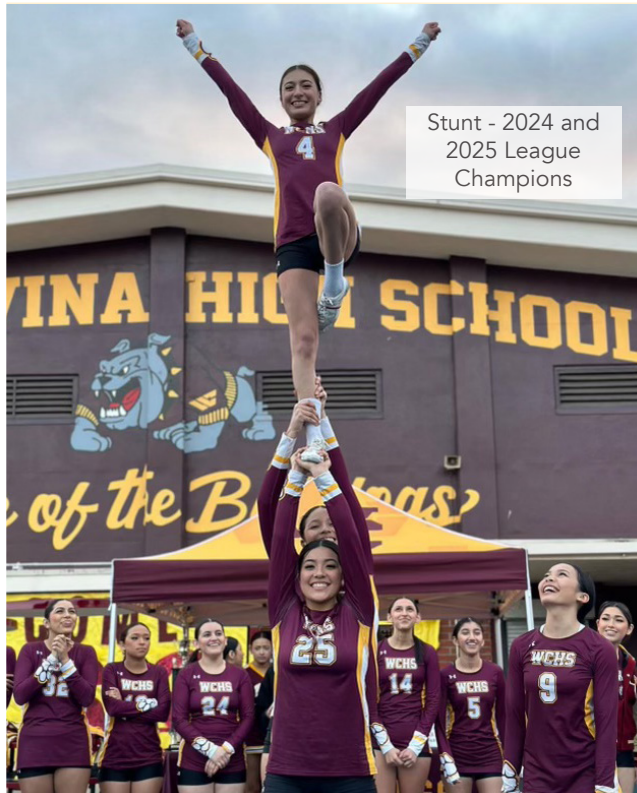
**Noah Amezcua**  
Boys Golf - League  
Champion and MVP



**BECKY OSORIO**



Cross Country Athlete,  
**4X** CIF STATE  
QUALIFIER,  
CIF STATE MEDALIST



Stunt - 2024 and  
2025 League  
Champions



Girls Basketball



Esports



Football  
CIF Finalist

## FALL SPORTS

Cross Country, Boys  
Cross Country, Girls  
Golf, Girls  
Football  
Tennis, Girls  
Volleyball, Girls  
Water Polo, Boys  
Sideline Cheer  
Flag Football

## WINTER SPORTS

Basketball, Boys  
Basketball, Girls  
Traditional Competitive Cheer  
Soccer, Boys  
Soccer, Girls  
Water Polo Girls  
Wrestling, Boys  
Wrestling, Girls

## SPRING SPORTS

Baseball  
Stunt  
Golf, Boys  
Softball  
Swimming, Boys  
Swimming, Girls  
Tennis, Boys  
Track and Field, Boys  
Track and Field, Girls  
Volleyball Boys

## ESPORTS

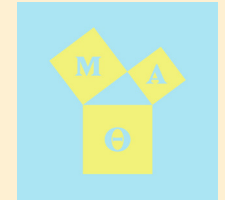
- Recognized as a CIF sport
- Ranked in the High School Esports League
- Teams compete in various games including: Rocket League, Overwatch, Marvel Rivals, Super Smash Bros. and Valorant.
- State-of-the-art gaming facility on campus

# STUDENT LIFE

## SCHOOLWIDE ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

- 9 Schoolwide Rallies/Dances
- Top Ranked Student Section
- Kings & Queens of Cameron Rivalry Week
- Competitive Academic Decathlon,  
Robotics & E-Sports Teams





## OVER 40 STUDENT-LED CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

- Community Service
- Academic & Honor Societies
- Special Interests & Causes



## LEADERSHIP ORGANIZATIONS

- ASB - student government and schoolwide events
- Renaissance - student and staff recognition
- Link Crew - freshman support and recognition
- Athletic Leadership Council - sportsmanship and recognition
- Class Council - representatives for each graduating class
- Principal's Ambassador Council



# PERFORMING ARTS ACADEMY

Website: [WCHSpaa.org](http://WCHSpaa.org)

Phone Number: 626-859-2900 ext. 8300

Email Address: [WCHSpaa@wcusd.org](mailto:WCHSpaa@wcusd.org)

Social Media: @WCHS\_PAA



## Admissions Process



**APPLY TODAY**  
INCOMING 9TH & 10TH GRADE STUDENTS APPLY TODAY AT  
**WCHSpaa.org**

*Free Private Lesson · Exclusive Workshops · Free Trips & Tours  
One-on-One Academic Attention · High Calliber Performing Arts Instruction  
Comprehensive High School Experience*



Apply Now



The WCHS Performing Arts Academy (PAA) brings a high level of performing arts education to a comprehensive public high school. By being a part of the PAA students receive:

- **One-on-One Private Lessons in their chosen discipline**
- Exclusive Conference Opportunities
- Exclusive Workshops with Leading Industry Professionals
- Culminating East Coast Networking Trip
- Individual Academic Pathway (developed for the specific student)
- Opportunities to work with Teaching Artists (like the ones below)
- And so much more

Learn more and APPLY today on our website at [WCHSpaa.org](http://WCHSpaa.org)



Bright Star (2019 Musical Production)

## Featured Teaching Artists

**NIA  
PEEPLES**  
Acting Private Instructor  
Academy Wide Workshop Instructor  
@NiaPeeples  
@Nia\_Peeples

**KERRY  
BUTLER**  
Academy Wide Workshop Instructor  
@kerrybutler

**VANGIE  
GUNN-GOODWIN**  
Academy Wide Workshop Instructor  
Vocal Music  
@vangiegunn  
@vangievocals  
@bigphatbandhq

**RON  
COLVARD**  
Academy Wide Workshop Instructor  
@RonColvard.com

**ZACH  
RUDOLPH**  
Bass Guitar Private Instructor  
@zachrudolph.com  
@zach\_rudolph  
youtube.com/@zrudolph

**GORDON  
GOODWIN**  
Academy Wide Workshop Instructor  
Instrumental Music  
@therealgordongoodwin  
@bigphatbandhq

# THE ARTS

West Covina High School boasts a robust Fine Arts Department with disciplines spanning the full range of artistic expressions.



Photography

## Digital Arts

- Digital Media
- Photography

## Applied Arts

- Architectural Design
- Culinary Arts

## Visual Arts

- Arts
- Ceramics

## Performing Arts

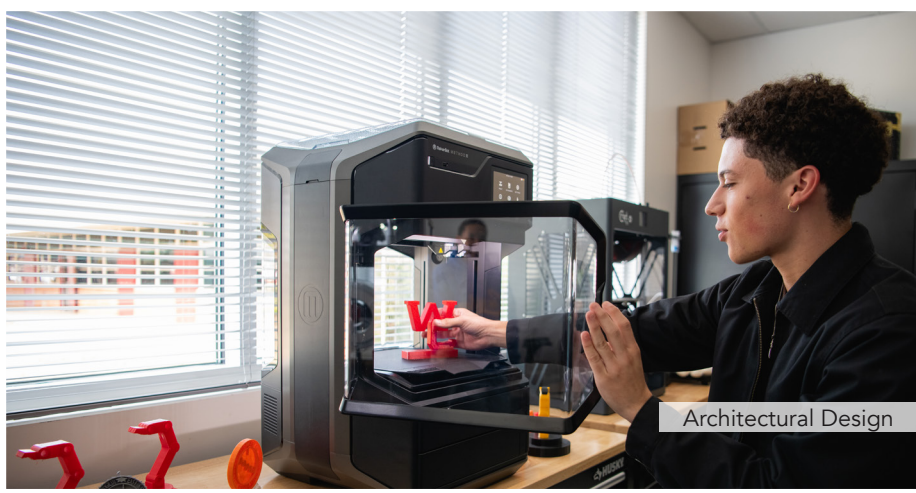
- Choral Department
- Dance Department
- Instrumental Music Department
- Theatre Department



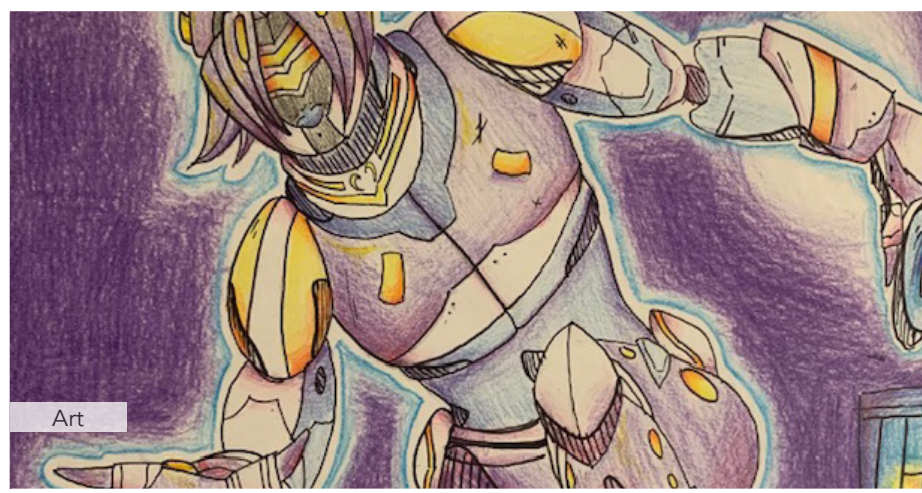
Marching Band & Colorguard



Dance



Architectural Design



Art



Guitar



Ceramics



Wescovaires

# BULLDOG MEDIA GROUP

## YEARBOOK



- Award winning, competitive, student run, journalism program
- Learn how to run a small business while creating a yearbook
- Build skills in leadership, graphic design, photography, writing, art and problem solving

## JOURNALISM



- Student run program focused on reporting news and providing valuable information to students and staff
- Create positive bonding experiences via movie nights, games and food adventures
- Learn skills for the real world regardless of your chosen profession

## BROADCAST JOURNALISM



- Student run live broadcast program which airs every Friday via its YouTube channel
- Learn to produce, shoot, and edit feature stories and relevant news
- Learn to use equipment such as cameras, video switcher, teleprompter, lighting and audio



# Welcome to Boston



INSIGHT



ATHENAEUM



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# STUDENT SERVICES

## COUNSELING

The School Counselors at WCHS provide counseling services to students in three domains: Academic, College and Career and Personal Social Counseling. WCHS counselors take pride in addressing the needs of all students to reach their full potential.

## COUNSELING HIGHLIGHTS

- Course Selection Meetings
- Graduation Review
- Post Graduation Plan
- Freshman 101 Presentations
- Senior Parent Information Nights
- College Application Help
- Informational College Workshops
- Review of College Applications
- Senior Parent College Info Night
- On the Spot Admissions ULV and APU Events
- Letters of Recommendation
- Summer College Bootcamp
- Financial Aid Information Night
- Application Workshops
- Crisis Counseling
- Referrals for Counseling and Therapy



SCAN FOR  
MORE INFO



## WELLNESS CENTER



The Wellness Center is a place for all students to find a safe and inviting environment during their school day. Students can see one on one counseling with a peer counselor to discuss situations that may need a sounding board. Students can also seek a quiet place where they can experience calm and find support when they are experiencing challenges.



## COLLEGE AND CAREER CENTER

- Works in conjunction with the Counseling Department to provide students with a full range of college admission information and career pathways support.
- Learn about colleges and universities.
- Financial Aid Workshops; College Admissions Assistance
- AP and SAT Testing Support
- Military and Federal Service Academy Information



# ALUMNI TESTIMONIALS

## TONATIUH



WCHS Class of 2010  
University of Southern California  
Bachelor of Arts in Theatre  
with a minor in Cinema



Tonatiuh's impressive career spans the realms of television, film, theatre, and voice over work. His most recent accomplishments include a series regular role on the ABC Drama "Promised Land".

“WEST COVINA HIGH SCHOOL WAS TRULY SOMETHING OUT OF A MOVIE. THE STAFF GENERATED EVENTS AND AN AMBIANCE FOR US TO HAVE A THRIVING AND EXCITING EXPERIENCE WHERE WE COULD LEARN TO BE LEADERS, DEVELOP OUR VOICE, AND HAVE A CHILDHOOD THAT WE CAN LOOK BACK AT WITH JOY. KIM BATTERSBY SEGURA CHANGED MY LIFE. HER DEDICATION TO HER STUDENTS IS EXTRAORDINARY AND I WOULDN'T HAVE THE CAREER THAT I DO WITHOUT HER.”

- TONATIUH, '10

## REGINA YURRITA



WCHS Class of 2014  
California State  
University, Fullerton  
Bachelor of Arts in  
Communication/  
Political Science

Regina can be seen on air as a reporter for CBS 8 in San Diego.



“AS A TEENAGER I WAS ALWAYS AFRAID TO BREAK OUT OF MY SHELL I WAS ONLY INTERESTED IN DOING WHAT FELT COMFORTABLE. THAT MEANT DOING THE BARE MINIMUM IN SCHOOL AND AVOIDING SOCIAL ACTIVITIES. WEST COVINA HIGH SCHOOL HELPED CHANGED THAT, IT CHALLENGED ME. ONCE I STARTED BECOMING INVOLVED IN AVID I REALIZED THAT I COULD TAKE AP ENGLISH CLASSES. THE CLASSES HELPED WITH NOT ONLY MY WRITING SKILLS BUT ALSO MY SPEAKING SKILLS. THE AVID MENTORSHIP GUIDED ME TO CHOOSE THE RIGHT COLLEGE, NOT FOR THE ESTHETIC, BUT TO CONTINUE MY JOURNEY TO BECOME A REPORTER. ON TV I MIGHT BE REGINA YURRITA CBS 8, BUT I'M A BULLDOG FOR LIFE.”

- REGINA YURRITA, '14

“DURING MY TIME AT WCHS, I SERVED AS A LEADER AND AS AN ATHLETE WHILE BALANCING AP CLASSES AND EXTRACURRICULARS. THIS MEANT I WAS ALWAYS FACING ADVERSITY THAT REQUIRED CREATIVE SOLUTIONS. WCHS PROVIDED ME WITH THE SPACE TO BE CREATIVE AND GAVE ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO SOLVE CHALLENGES FOR MYSELF AND OTHER STUDENTS ALIKE.”

–BLESSING UBANI II, '17

## BLESSING UBANI II



WCHS Class of 2017  
Brown University (Ivy League School)  
Bachelor of Science in Computer Science



BROWN

BJ founded a tech startup and built a consumer social app. He works in the tech space as founder and head of product and engineering.

## HUNTER KONDO



WCHS Class of 2013  
Whittier College  
Bachelor of Arts in Pacific Rim  
Production  
Los Angeles Dodgers - Manager, Digital  
Content

Hunter is responsible for building marketable content for the LA Dodgers Organization which include graphics, videos, and photos for social and commercial distribution.

“WEST COVINA HIGH SCHOOL HAS ALWAYS BEEN A FAMILY TO ME. WITH THE HELP OF MR. LORENGER, WHO INSTRUCTS THE VIDEO AND DESIGN COURSES AT WCHS, I WOULDN'T BE WHERE I AM AT TODAY WITH MY CURRENT POSITION. I WAS THE PIONEER STUDENT FOR THE VIDEO COURSES AT WCHS AND TO SEE IT GROW TO WHERE IT'S AT NOW, GIVING STUDENTS A VOICE THROUGH A DIFFERENT MEDIUM IN ART, IS THE REASON WHY I LOVE WHAT I DO. I OFTEN VISIT WCHS IN ORDER TO TALK TO CURRENT STUDENTS ABOUT COLLEGE, WORKING IN PROFESSIONAL SPORTS, AND CONTENT CREATION BECAUSE I BELIEVE THAT WCHS HAS THE TOOLS TO DEVELOP STUDENTS TO FOLLOW THEIR DREAMS. THOSE DREAMS WERE IN THE HANDS OF MY TEACHERS AND FORGING THOSE RELATIONSHIPS HAS ALLOWED ME TO WORK AT UCLA, THE AIR FORCE ACADEMY, AND EVEN IN THE NFL WITH THE DENVER BRONCOS. FROM THE FRIENDS I HAVE MADE AND THE NEW STUDENTS I MEET EACH TIME I VISIT, MY EXPERIENCES FROM WCHS WILL ALWAYS BE ENGRAVED INTO MY MEMORY. ONE THING IS CERTAIN IS THAT I AM ALWAYS PROUD TO REPRESENT WCHS AND BE A BULLDOG, I HOPE THAT YOU WOULD JOIN OUR FAMILY TOO.”

– HUNTER KONDO, '13



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