WESTCHESTER COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL

PROFILE 2026-2027

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ABOUT WCDS

Westchester Country Day School is an independent, nonsectarian, college preparatory school serving students in grades PK-12. Located on a 53-acre campus in Davidson County, WCDS draws students from throughout the Piedmont Triad of North Carolina. Students develop a love of learning, explore their interests, challenge themselves and discover what is possible. WCDS develops curious, resilient and well-rounded graduates who are ready for college, career and community impact. WCDS is accredited by the Southern Association of Independent Schools.

MISSION

To cultivate responsible citizens and leaders by embracing all backgrounds and nurturing personal excellence.

PHILOSOPHY

Westchester seeks to educate each child toward **moral, academic, artistic, and athletic excellence** in a community-centered environment that fosters independent thinking, personal growth, and service to others. The challenging college-preparatory program integrates academics with fine arts offerings, athletic opportunities, and community service projects in support of the mission. Because we believe character education is critical to lifelong success, we cultivate honor, respect, responsibility, compassion, and service through all academic and extracurricular activities.

STATEMENT OF INCLUSION & BELONGING

We firmly believe our continued pursuit of excellence demands an emphasis on the values of inclusion and belonging. WCDS is committed to creating and sustaining an environment of respect. We celebrate and recognize that much is learned from many different perspectives and identities. By honoring differences, we build a community of belonging and success for all.

HONORS, ADVANCED & AP COURSES

Core academic courses in the Upper School are designated **Honors** to reflect accurately the rigor of the curriculum. **Advanced** courses, marked by one asterisk (*) on the transcript, have expectations beyond Honors courses and receive one additional quality point. **AP** courses, marked by two asterisks (**) on the transcript, follow College Board's curriculum and carry two additional quality points. Students taking AP courses must take the exams in May. Students are approved for both Advanced and AP courses based on teacher recommendations and past performance.

CLASS OF 2027

Students in the Senior Class: 33
AP Scholars: 17
Mean Weighted GPA: 4.31
Average AP Score: 3.70
Mid 50% SAT: 1030 – 1280*
*All WCDS juniors take the SAT.

CLASS RANK & GRADE POINT SYSTEM

Westchester does not rank its students. WCDS GPAs are calculated using a weighted system on a 4.0 scale. An unweighted GPA is available upon request. Only courses taken at WCDS are used in the computation of a Westchester GPA.

GRADING SCALE

Letter Grade	Range	Grade Point
A+	98 – 100	4.00
A	93 – 97	4.00
A-	90 – 92	3.75
B+	87 – 89	3.50
B	83 – 86	3.00
B-	80 – 82	2.75
C+	77 – 79	2.50
C	73 – 76	2.00
C-	70 – 72	1.75
D+	67 – 69	1.50
D	63 – 66	1.00
D-	60 – 62	0.75
F	Below 60	0.00

WCDS BY THE NUMBERS

1967
Year founded

454
Total enrollment
Pre-K through 12

7:1
Student-teacher ratio

60
Teaching faculty

50%
Teaching faculty with advanced degrees

17
Average number of years teaching experience

13
Median class size

45%
Students receiving tuition assistance

100%
2026 graduates offered admission to colleges and universities

For a list of college acceptances, visit www.westchestercds.org.

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WCDS UPPER SCHOOL BY THE NUMBERS

125	161	76%	62%	80%
Total Students in the Upper School	AP exams taken in 2026	AP exam pass rate	Students in at least one arts program	Students on at least one sports team

UPPER SCHOOL COURSE OFFERINGS

Westchester operates on a **semester system** with a rotating schedule. Students typically enroll in six courses that each meet four times per week. Attempting fewer than 6 credits per year (courses split evenly between two semesters) requires approval by the Head of Upper School. Standard courses for each grade level are underlined. 9th and 10th graders are limited to 1 AP course per year. In general, 11th graders take no more than 3 AP courses but may take 4 with approval. In general, 12th graders take no more than 4 AP courses but may take up to 6 with approval.

Subject	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
English 4 credits; English required every year	English 9 Honors	English 10 Honors Advanced English 10	American Literature Honors AP English Language	World Literature Honors AP English Literature
Mathematics 4 credits, including Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2, and a higher level course for which Algebra 2 is a prerequisite; math required every year	Algebra 1 Honors Geometry Honors Algebra 2 Honors	Geometry Honors Algebra 2 Honors Advanced Pre-Calculus	Algebra 2 Honors Functions & Modeling Honors Advanced Pre-Calculus AP Statistics	Functions & Modeling Honors Statistics Honors Advanced Pre-Calculus AP Statistics AP Calculus AB
Social Studies 3.5 credits, including US Government, Human Geography, World History, and US History For the Class of 2030 and beyond, 2.5 credits, including US Government, World History, and US History Recommend 4 years of social studies	US Government Honors (.5 credit) Human Geography Honors AP Human Geography	World History Honors AP World History	US History Honors AP US History	AP European History AP Psychology
Sciences 3 credits, including Biology and Chemistry Recommend 4 years of science	Biology Honors	Experimental Physics Honors Chemistry Honors	Experimental Physics Honors Chemistry Honors Environmental Science Honors Advanced Engineering AP Biology (2 credits) AP Physics 1 AP Chemistry (2 credits)	
Modern Languages (2 credits of the same language in consecutive courses) Recommend 4 years of a language	Mandarin 2 Honors Spanish 1 Honors Spanish 2 Honors	Advanced Mandarin 3 Advanced Mandarin 4 Advanced Spanish 3 Advanced Spanish 4	AP Chinese Language & Culture AP Spanish Language & Culture	
Health/Physical Education .5 credit for Health	Health (.5 credit)	The PE requirement (equivalent to .5 credit for Physical Education) may be met through participation in one or more seasons of JV or Varsity team membership at WCDS or comparable time dedicated to community athletic programs or disciplines.		
Fine Arts 1 credit *Select courses taken for a third year are deemed Advanced and receive one extra quality point.	Art 1, Art 2, Advanced Art, AP Studio Art, Music Appreciation, Concert Choir*, Contemporary Music Ensemble*, Film History & Production, and Yearbook* *Students are eligible for the Advanced level of these courses when they enroll in them for the 3rd year.			
Electives 3 credits At least one must be an additional unit of English, math, social studies, science, or modern language.	Fine Arts courses in excess of the required credit; additional courses offered within the English, Mathematics, Sciences, Social Studies, Modern Languages, or Technology departments			
Minimum Credits in Grades 9-12 Required for Graduation: 21 Recommended credits for graduation: 24	Additional, non-coursework requirements for graduation are the PE Requirement and Senior Capstone Project. The Senior Capstone Project is a year-long endeavor that requires research, public speaking, and an internship. A minimum number of service hours is not a graduation requirement. As indicated by our school philosophy, service is part of our school culture, and therefore students complete service hours on their own initiative.			

DISCLOSURE POLICY

It is WCDS policy to report only those disciplinary infractions from ninth grade forward resulting in our most serious disciplinary action, which we define as out-of-school suspension or dismissal from the school. WCDS will decline to answer any question asking us to acknowledge whether or not we are aware if a student has ever been convicted of a misdemeanor, felony, or other crime.