

2025-2026 School Profile

FOSTER HIGH SCHOOL

School Profile

Tukwila, a community of almost 20,000 residents, welcomes diversity. Incorporated in 1908, the city offers a blend of businesses, churches, parks, and abundant single and multi-family housing available to all income levels in an attractive urban atmosphere. Tukwila is located just south of Seattle, close to the I-5 and I-405 freeways and major arterials. Nearby are Sea-Tac International Airport, Westfield regional shopping mall (formerly known as Southcenter Mall), The Boeing Company, and other retail/office/high-tech/industrial complexes. The district is minutes from downtown Seattle, Renton, Kent, Burien, and Federal Way. Our students will inspire you.

About 3,000 students are enrolled in five schools located within the limits of historic Tukwila. The average student-teacher ratio is 19.1:6. Students represent many cultures and ethnic groups and speak more than 80 world languages. In 2009, Tukwila was reported in the New York Times as the most diverse school district in the United States.

Foster’s 914 students come from over 60 countries. Our diversity is a source of pride, unity and enrichment. Our students and staff work together to create a global community, united by our common goals of high academic achievement and mutual respect. 76% of Foster students report being qualified for free or reduced lunch, and 41% percent are currently enrolled in English Language Learner classes.

STUDENT DEMOGRAPHIC

(Enrollment 2024-2025)

50.0%	FEMALE
.2%	GENDER X
49.8%	MALE
.1%	NATIVE AMERICAN
20.4%	ASIAN
24.7%	BLACK/AFRICAN AMERICAN
37.2%	HISPANIC
3.6%	PACIFIC ISLANDER
5.7%	MULTIRACIAL
8.3%	WHITE
41.5%	TRANSITIONAL BILINGUAL
10.7%	SPECIAL EDUCATION
2.1%	SECTION 504
0.4%	MIGRANT
75.7%	LOW-INCOME
9.3%	HOMELESS

TEACHER PROFILE

(Educators Diversity 2023-24)

37.0% FEMALE

60.9% MALE

19.1% ASIAN

6.4% BLACK/AFRICAN AMERICAN

19.1% HISPANIC

0% PACIFIC ISLANDER

4.3% MULTIRACIAL

44.7% WHITE

6.4% NOT PROVIDED

46 TOTAL TEACHERS

8.6 AVERAGE YEARS OF
EXPERIENCE

21.3% NATIONAL BOARD CERT

80.9% HAVE MASTER'S DEGREE
HIGHER OR HIGHER

GRADING AND RANKING

4.0 Grading Scale, Unweighted GPA

60% Passing Requirements

Average Senior Class GPA - 2.87

19.1:1

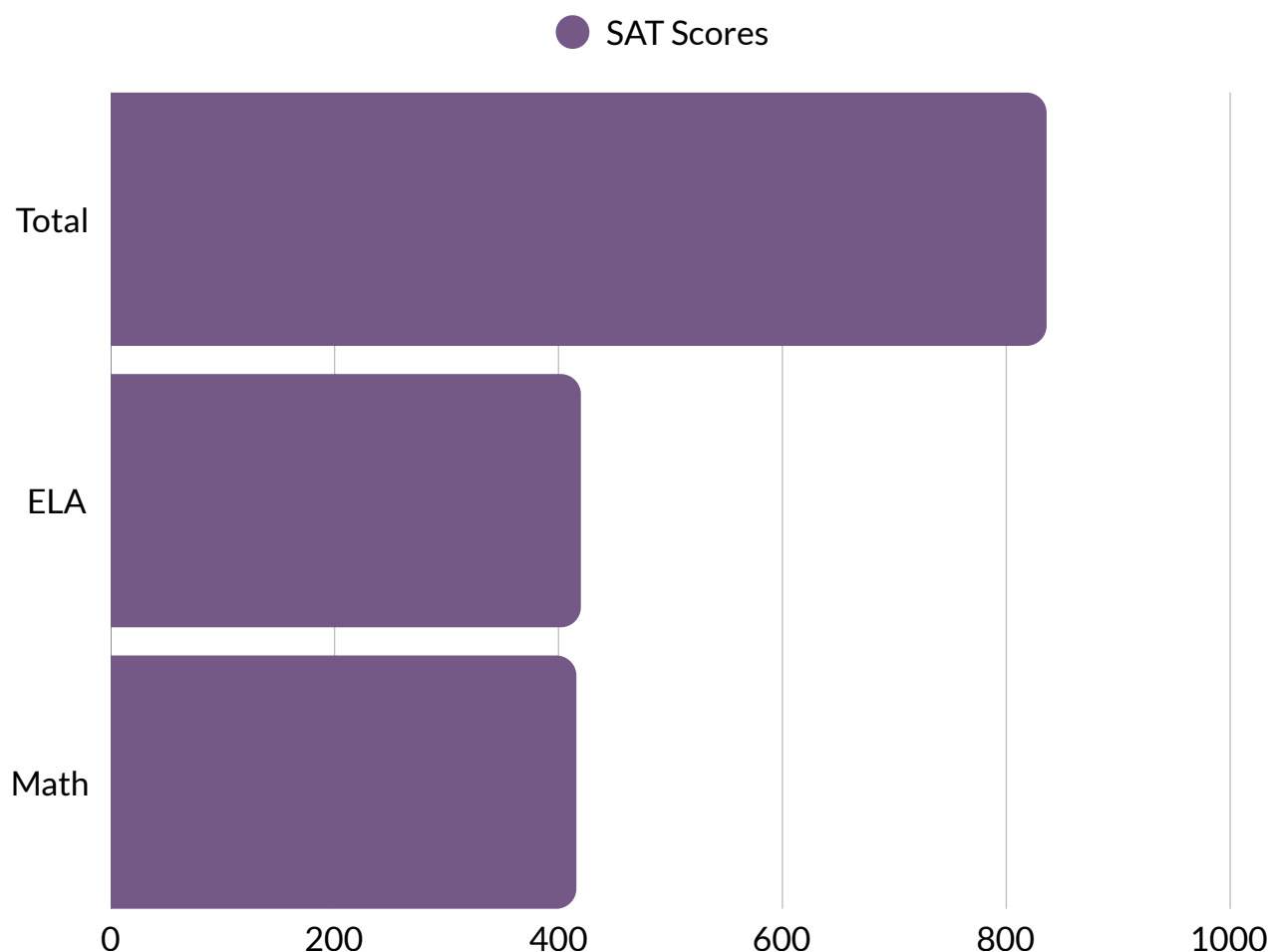
STUDENT TO TEACHER RATIO



Standardized Test Results

Class of 2026 March 2025

SAT Mean Scores



Post-Secondary Enrollment Plans, Class of 2025

With the Tukwila Promise Scholarship providing tuition for any graduate of 2025 at Highline College we saw an increase in 2-year college going rates.

38%

Attend 4-year universities and colleges

38%

Attend 2-year colleges and/or technical colleges

6%

Apprenticeships

2%

Military

9%

Join workforce

7%

Undecided

Academic Opportunities

Honors Courses

- English 1
- English 2
- Biology

Advanced Placement

- Human Geography

College in the High School

- Pre-Calculus 153 & 154
- Calculus 172 & 173
- English 101, 102 & 105
- Psychology 101

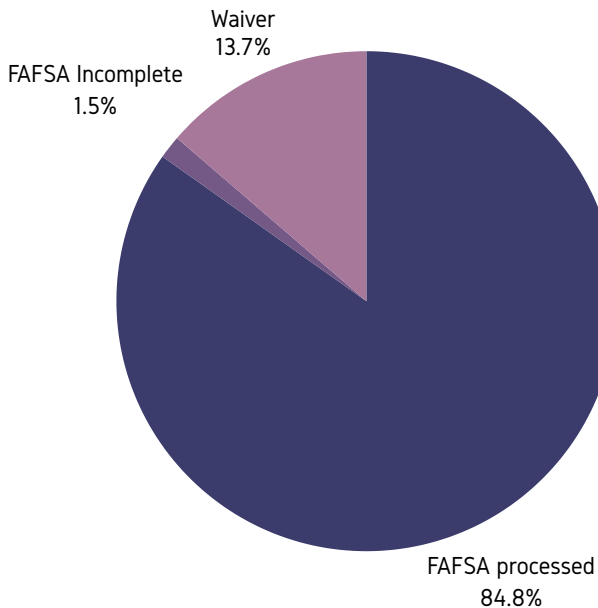
Running Start

Juniors and seniors who pass a community college placement test may take classes at local community colleges for concurrent high school and college credit. There are 117 students successfully enrolled in the 2025-2026 school year. Each year some students graduate with their Associates degree, in addition to their high school diploma.

Puget Sound Skills Center

Career and technical education programs, offering tech prep credit, college credits, and various certifications.

Financial Aid and Scholarships



- Foster High School requires all seniors to complete a financial aid application.
- A financial aid application as part of their High School and Beyond Plan (HSBP), and this created more of an urgency for students.

\$5.3 million

Total Scholarship
Dollars Earned



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