Walla Walla High School

Home of the Blue Devils

School Profile 2026-2027

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"Developing Washington's Most Sought-After Graduates"

Mission Statement

Intellectually, socially, personally transformative for all.

School Vision

Ensuring High academic achievement, building meaningful relationships and empowering all students to own their futures.

School & Community

Enrollment: 1532
Number of Teaching Faculty:**83**
Number of Counselors: **5**
Senior Class Size: 420
Accreditation: **Northwest Association**

Located in the southeastern corner of Washington, Walla Walla High School (WWHS) serves the students of Walla Walla and the surrounding communities. As a public high school, WWHS serves the needs of a diverse student body through programs including Advanced Placement, College in the High School, Career and Technical Education, Running Start, University Enrichment Programs and AVID. In addition to these programs, there are numerous student clubs and athletic teams.

School Calendar

Walla Walla High School's academic year is divided into two semesters with official grades reported in January and in June. Students have an option to take a seven period day to maximize their educational opportunities. Click on the link to visit the school year calendar: *2026-27 School Year*

Curriculum

Walla Walla High School offers a comprehensive curriculum. There are several program opportunities available for WWHS students. Students can access support through Special Education and Multilingual /English Learner Services. There are also half-day programs available through SEATech (Skills/CTE center), where students can receive certifications.
Students may also access Honors, College in the High School and/or AP Courses. Some students may also begin earning high school credit in middle school through an accelerated program in Mathematics and Spanish. WWHS currently offers 7 Honors courses, 17 CIH courses, 13 CTE dual credit courses and 17 AP courses.

Running Start

A state legislated program where qualified juniors and seniors can earn high school and college credit simultaneously through community college classes. All credits appear on the high school transcript.

Enrichment Programs

Programs at Whitman College and Walla Walla University are available to students where they can earn college credit on a tuition-free basis. Credits do not appear on the high school transcript.

National Merit

Throughout the years at Wa-Hi, there have been numerous students eligible as semi-finalists and finalists for the National Merit Scholarship. There were three commended students and one Finalist of the National Recognition Program last year.

COLLEGE ATTENDANCE

The class of 2026 was composed of 414 seniors. Approximately 35% of these students entered a four-year institution and 40% entered a two-year institution.

GPA, RANK, and GRADE EXPLANATION

Grade point average (GPA) calculations on transcripts use the traditional unweighted 4.0 scale. Weighted GPA is calculated based on course rigor. Weighted GPA is used for academic recognition and merit-based honors. Adopting the use of weighted GPA is meant to recognize students who challenge themselves in high school by taking more advanced courses throughout high school. Class Rank is based on the weighted GPA. Valedictorian and Salutatorian are selected based on class rank and other criteria.

Please see the course catalog to view a breakdown scale of the weighted points and proficiency levels.

Graduation Academic Honors

WaHi will recognize graduating seniors for academic achievement using the following distinctions:

Summa Cum Laude: Students earning a weighted GPA of 3.90 or higher

Magna Cum Laude: Students earning a weighted GPA of 3.70-3.89

Cum Laude: Students earning a weighted GPA of 3.5-3.69

Testing Information

2025-26 Avg SAT 1 Scores

(137 students tested)

WWHS *Total Average Score*: 1126

Math: 552 ERW: 574

2025-26 Advanced Placement Results

In the spring of 2026, 331 WWHS students took Advanced Placement examinations in 22 different subjects. 84% of the students who took AP exams earned a score of a 3 or higher.

Credits & Graduation

A minimum of 24 credits are required to receive a high school diploma. One half-credit is awarded for each semester-long course that is completed with a passing mark of at least 60%. WWHS has two diploma types:

College Pathway

English – 4
Mathematics – 3
Fine Art - 2
World Language – 2
Physical Education & Health – 2
Science – 3
Social Studies – 3
Career and Technical – 1
Electives – 4

Career Pathway

English – 4
Mathematics – 3
Fine Art – 1
Personalized Pathway – 3
Physical Education & Health – 2
Science – 3
Social Studies – 3
Career and Technical – 1
Electives – 4

In addition to earning 24 credits, students must also meet a Graduation Pathway, complete volunteer hours (40 hours), and pass a Senior Culminating Project/High School & Beyond Plan to meet Graduation requirements.

Clubs & Organizations

Walla Walla High School has been highly successful in academic and athletic competitions at the local, regional, state and national levels. Music and theater groups compete annually with distinction. Student clubs and leadership opportunities include National Honor Society, JROTC, Student Government, Debate Club, The Wa-Hi Journal, Latino Club, FBLA, FFA, Key Club, among others. Please visit the school website:Clubs & Activities link for more information.

Athletics

WWHS is a member of the Washington Interscholastic Activities Association (WIAA). Blue Devil athletics includes baseball, basketball, bowling, cheerleading, cross country, dance, football, golf, soccer, softball (slow and fastpitch), swimming, tennis, track and field, volleyball, and wrestling. Blue Devil athletics has a long history of winning regional and state championship honors.

ADMINISTRATION

John Schumacher - *Principal*
Emily Dana - *Assistant Principal*
Claudia Salazar - *Assistant Principal*
Carina Stillman - *Assistant Principal*
Chris Ferenz - *Athletic Director*

COUNSELING

Ashley Escalante - *Counselor A-C*
Angie Gardea - *Counselor D-Ha*
Becky Jo Gifford - *Counselor He-Mc*
Karen Ruzicka - *Counselor Me-R*
Shari Widmer - *Counselor S-Z*

REGISTRAR

Lisa Cox

Bilingual Asst. Registrar

Alicia Pope

See the Staff Directory for additional info.