

CHARLES WRIGHT ACADEMY

Report to Colleges

Class of 2027

OUR SCHOOL

Charles Wright Academy is an independent, college preparatory day school for over 550 students in Preschool through Grade 12. Located in a suburban setting at the foot of Mt. Rainier, CWA draws students from a 50-mile radius.

OUR VALUES

Excellence
Compassion
Integrity
Respect
Perseverance

OUR MISSION

To inspire active, joyful learning while nurturing and challenging our students to develop the character, creativity, and skills to successfully navigate the future with confidence.

144 Students in Grades 9-12

60% of Students Awarded Financial Assistance

Average Class Size: **11**

Student-to-Teacher Ratio: **7:1**

99% of Graduates Attend 4-year Colleges and Universities

100% of Students Engage in Experiential Education

56% of Students Identify as Students of Color

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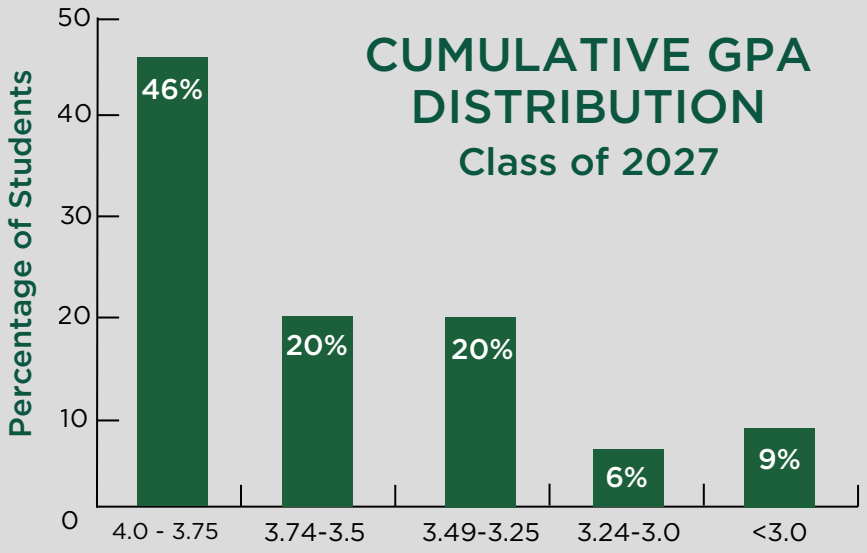
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CUMULATIVE GPA DISTRIBUTION

Class of 2027



GPA Range | Class Size: 35 | Average 3.61

CWA DOES NOT RANK | GRADES ARE UNWEIGHTED | SEMESTER-BASED | 4.0 SCALE

CURRICULUM INFORMATION AND HIGHLIGHTS

STANDARDIZED TESTING

Class of 2027 - 80% of Students Testing

Middle 50% SAT | Class of 2027

Reading & Writing	Math	Total
590–730	560–780	1200–1500

Average Score: 1310

National Merit Scholars | 2023-2027

Semifinalists	2
Commended	21

NOTEWORTHY COURSES

Advanced Japanese Language and Culture

An immersive, interactive course taught primarily in Japanese, students learn increasingly sophisticated grammar applications while building vocabulary and kanji knowledge. Students strive to develop more advanced writing and conversational skills through discussion about short stories and films, reflective compositions, and readings of simplified, classic literature.

Humanities Capstone

An advanced research course in which students become experts in a field of their choosing and produce new scholarly knowledge in the humanities. Students select their own objects of study, cultivate their methodologies and theoretical frameworks, do a lot of thinking, and ultimately produce deliverables that encapsulate that thinking – usually a major research paper and a formal presentation.

Science Research

Utilizing up-to-date tools and technologies in the Weyerhaeuser Research Room, students will propose, design, test, and present independent research projects. Research may be conducted with an emphasis on any of the three major disciplines of biology, chemistry, and/or physics. Throughout the course, there is a heavy emphasis on technical writing, research methods, statistical analysis, peer review, and public presentation.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

Charles Wright Academy offers the following Advanced Placement opportunities for our students in 2026-27:

- AP 2D Art
- AP Biology
- AP Business with Personal Finance
- AP Calculus AB
- AP Calculus BC
- AP Chemistry
- AP Computer Science A
- AP Drawing
- AP European History
- AP Macroeconomics
- AP English Literature & Composition
- AP Physics I
- AP Physics II
- AP Spanish Language & Culture
- AP Statistics
- AP US Government & Politics
- AP US History

AP FAST FACTS

- 61 students took a total of 142 AP exams in 2026
- 87% of all testers earned scores qualifying students for AP Scholar, AP Scholar with Honor, or AP Scholar with Distinction
- 88% of the Class of 2026 took an AP exam during their time in the Upper School
- Charles Wright Academy was again recognized as a Platinum AP Honor Roll school in 2025

AP SCORES SPRING 2026

Score	% of Total
5	39%
4	29%
3	19%

EXPERIENTIAL EDUCATION

At Charles Wright Academy, learning extends well beyond the classroom. Twice each year, the Upper School pauses its regular schedule for an immersive week of experiential education. This year, students will raft the rapids of Oregon, hike Olympic National Park, explore colleges in California, and travel to South America, Scandinavia, Asia, or the Mediterranean. Experiences are designed to build independence, resilience, and cultural fluency, competencies that reflect Charles Wright's Portrait of a Tarrier and equip students to navigate their futures with confidence.












COLLEGE MATRICULATION 2022-2026

Arizona State University
Art Center College of Design
Barnard College
Baylor University
Boise State University
Boston University
Bowdoin College
Brown University
Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo
California Lutheran University
California Northstate University
California State University, Northridge
Carleton College
Carnegie Mellon University
Carroll College
Central Washington University
Chapman University
City St George's, University of London
Clemson University
Colorado College
Colorado State University
Coppin State University
Cornell University
Drexel University
George Fox University
Georgetown University
Georgia State University
Georgia Tech
Gonzaga University
Grinnell College
Hawai'i Pacific University
Indiana University, Bloomington
Johns Hopkins University
Knox College
Lehigh University
Linfield University
Loyola Marymount University
Loyola University Chicago
Maine Maritime Academy
Navarro College
New Mexico Military Institute
New York University
Northwestern University
Norwich University of the Arts
Oregon State University
Pacific Lutheran University
Penn State University
Pierce College
Pitzer College
Pratt Institute
Princeton University
Reed College
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rhode Island School of Design
Rocky Mountain College
San Diego State University
Santa Clara University
Sarah Lawrence College
Seattle University
Smith College
Stanford University
Sumner College
The Evergreen State College
The Ohio State University
The University of Edinburgh
Trinity College Dublin
Tufts University
United States Air Force Academy
University of Arizona
University of Arkansas
University of British Columbia
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 Central Florida
University of Chicago
University of Florida
University of Hawaii, Manoa
University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
University of La Verne
University of Miami
University of Nebraska, Lincoln
University of New Haven
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
University of North Dakota
University of Oklahoma
University of Pennsylvania
University of Portland
University of Puget Sound
University of Redlands
University of Rochester
University of San Diego
University of Southern California
University of Utah
University of Washington
University of Washington, Bothell
University of Washington, Tacoma
Utah State University
Valley City State University
Vanderbilt University
Washington State University
Washington University in St. Louis
Wellesley College
Western Washington University
Wheaton College, Massachusetts
Whitman College
William & Mary
Yale University

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