



Walla Walla High School

"Home of the Blue Devils"

HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE 2020-2021

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Walla Walla High School is one of the premier high schools in Southeastern Washington – recognized consistently for its profound impact on student learning by the Washington Department of Education

*8th Annual AP District
Honor Roll –
2017*

*US News & World Report
2013, 2014, 2015, 2019 –
Silver Medal*

*Washington Achievement
Award 2013 & 2014 –
High Progress*

MISSION STATEMENT

The faculty and staff of Walla Walla High School will challenge and support all students in becoming college and career ready. This will be done by seeking out best practices, testing students in the classroom, and focusing on results to ensure all students are successful.

SCHOOL & COMMUNITY

Enrollment: 1569 (9-12)

Number of Teaching Faculty: 80

Number of Counselors: 4

Senior Class Size: 353

Accreditation: Northwest Association

Located in the southeastern corner of Washington, Walla Walla High School serves the students of Walla Walla and the surrounding communities. Over the past 100 years, WWHS has emerged as one of the premier high schools in eastern Washington. As a comprehensive public high school operating on a semester schedule, WWHS serves the needs of a diverse student body through programs including Advanced Placement, 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.

CURRICULUM

Walla Walla High School offers a comprehensive curriculum. Program options range from special education and ELL services to Honors and AP courses. There are also half-day programs available through the local Skills Center, where students can receive certifications. Students may also begin

earning high school credit in middle school through an accelerated program in mathematics and Spanish. WWHS offers 9 Honors courses and 17 AP courses.

AP Courses are offered in:

2-D Art and Design

American Government and Politics

Biology

Calculus (AB and BC)

Chemistry

Computer Science A

Drawing

Environmental Science

Human Geography

Language and Composition

Literature and Composition

Physics

Psychology

Spanish Language

Spanish Literature

US History

For more detailed information please refer to the WWHS course description book which is available through our website.

Students also have the option of taking college courses through the following programs:

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 where students can earn college credit on a tuition-free basis. Credits do not appear on the high school transcript.

NATIONAL MERIT

One student was designated as a National Merit Semi Finalist, and 3 students were designated as National Merit Commended Students last year. Over the years, WWHS has had many National Merit Commended Students and Finalists.

COLLEGE ATTENDANCE

The class of 2020 was comprised of 415 seniors. Approximately 30% of these students entered a four-year institution and 33% entered a two-year institution.

RANK and GRADE EXPLANATION

Grade	Points	Grade	Points
A	4.0	A-	3.7
B+	3.3	B	3.0
B-	2.7	C+	2.3
C	2.0	C-	1.7
D+	1.3	D	1.0

Grade point average and class rank are computed beginning with the fall of the freshman year and each semester thereafter through the eighth semester. A grade of "P" indicates credit has been earned, but the grade is not figured into the GPA. All GPA's are un-weighted.

TESTING INFORMATION

The summary of scores for the Class of 2020 graduates, who took the ACT and/or SAT Reasoning Test, is provided below:

<u>Average SAT I Scores</u> (71 students tested)	
WWHS	Total Score: 1143 Math: 565 ERW: 578
<u>Average ACT Composite Score</u> (334 students tested)	
WWHS*	18.3
*All students at WWHS were given the opportunity to take the ACT free of charge during the fall of their senior year.	

2020 ADVANCED PLACEMENT RESULTS

In the spring of 2020, 241 WWHS students took 494 Advanced Placement examinations in eighteen different subjects. Seventy five percent 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	Science – 3
Mathematics – 3	Social Studies – 3
Fine Art - 2	Career and Technical – 1
World Language – 2	Electives – 4
Physical Education & Health – 2	

Career Pathway

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

In addition to earning 24 credits, students must also meet a Graduation Pathway, as well as pass the Senior Culminating Project in order to graduate from Walla Walla High School.

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 theatre groups compete annually with distinction. Student clubs and leadership opportunities include National Honor Society, ROTC, Student Government, Debate Club, The Wa-Hi Journal, Latino Club, Key Club, among others.

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, swimming, tennis, track and field, volleyball, and wrestling. Blue Devil athletics has a long history of winning regional and state championship honors.

ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Ron Higgins	<i>Principal</i>
Mr. Stacy Estes	<i>Assistant Principal</i>
Ms. Mindy Meyer	<i>Assistant Principal</i>
Mr. Jack Mehn	<i>Assistant Principal</i>
Mr. Dirk Hanson	<i>Athletic Director</i>

COUNSELING

Ms. Carrie Lujan	<i>Counselor A-C</i>
Ms. Nicole Mueller	<i>Counselor D-K</i>
Mr. Spencer Iacolucci	<i>Counselor L-R</i>
Ms. Shari Widmer	<i>Counselor S-Z & AVID</i>
Ms. Katharine Curles	<i>Career Center Specialist</i>

REGISTRAR

Ms. Lisa Cox

See the WWHS website for additional information:
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