

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

In order to graduate from Walla Walla High School, students must complete the following requirements:

- 1. Earn the Required High School Credits:** Students are required to meet a minimum of 22 credits including the required core credits. Please see Graduation Requirements by Grade Level for more information
- 2. Complete a Culminating Project:** The Culminating Project is a portfolio-based project which will provide students the opportunity to examine their skills and abilities as well as articulate plans for their future. In early spring, every senior will make a presentation to a panel of community members outlining their school work over the past four years.
- 3. Develop a High School and Beyond Plan:** Students must develop a plan on how they will meet the high school graduation requirements as well as creating a 5th year plan. This plan may include how the student will prepare for acceptance to a 4 year university, community college, trade school, military, or joining the workforce. This information will be included within the Culminating Project.
- 4. Earn a Certificate of Academic Achievement (CAA) or Certificate of Individual Achievement (CIA):** Earning a CAA (or for students in special education the CIA) shows families, schools, businesses and colleges that an individual student has mastered a minimum set of Reading, Writing and Math standards by graduation. Additionally, some students may need to use an assessment other than the HSPE (High School Proficiency Exam) to demonstrate their skills. These students have the option of completing a number of CAA Options, which are state approved alternatives to the HSPE. (Ref: WWPS Administrative Procedure 2410)

Additionally, in order to participate in the graduation ceremony, all students must:

- A. Be enrolled in makeup classes no later than the beginning of second semester at Wa-Hi or the beginning of the spring quarter at WWCC (Running Start) if he/she is credit deficient.
- B. Provide evidence to the principal or his designee that any extension, correspondence, or community college classes (other than WWCC) are completed by June 3, 2015.
- C. Clear up all fines, fees, and other obligations prior to participation in graduation practice.
- D. Running Start Students: Must provide written confirmation to their assigned counselor of the following by May 15, 2015:
 - enrollment in all courses necessary to meet Wa-Hi graduation requirements
 - evidence that the student is receiving a passing grade in all classes necessary to meet Wa-Hi graduation requirements
- E. Be passing all classes necessary to meet Wa-Hi graduation requirements by May 15, 2015 in order to participate in the graduation ceremony on June 5, 2015.

Seniors who are not eligible to participate in commencement because they have not met the above conditions will be notified, as will their parent/guardian.

Ref: Walla Walla Public Schools Administrative Procedure No. 2410

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS BY GRADE LEVEL

Students must earn the total number of credits noted below. These are specific requirements; the balance of credits is to be selected from elective courses for a minimum total of 22 credits. Students are encouraged to take a full load of 6 classes each year to be best prepared for post high school options. *State graduation requirements do not necessarily meet all college entrance requirements – see pages 8 & 9.*

Subject Area	Class of 2015, 2016	Class of 2017, 2018
English	4.0 credits	4.0 credits
Mathematics	3.0 credits	3.0 credits
Science	2.0 credits	2.0 credits
Pacific Northwest History	.5 credit	NA if successful completion in middle school
World History	NA	1.0 credit
US History	1.0 credit	1.0 credit
Government	.5 credit	.5 credit
Social Studies Electives	1.0 credit	.5 credit
Physical Education	1.5 credits	1.5 credit
Health	.5 credit	.5 credit
Occupational Education	1.5 credits	1.5 credit
Fine Art	1.0 credit	1.0 credit
Electives	5.5 credits	5.5 credits

In addition to earning 22 credits, students must also complete the following requirements:

Requirement	Class of 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018
State Testing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading State Testing Requirement • Writing State Testing Requirement • 1 Math State Testing Requirement • Biology State Testing Requirement
Culminating Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present to Panel • 40 hours of Community Service • High School and Beyond Plan • Best Works
CAA Options (Alternative for State Testing Requirement)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retake Reading, Writing, Math, Biology State Testing Requirements • Reading, Writing, Math Collection of Evidence (COE) • Developmentally Appropriate Proficiency Exam (DAPE) for Special Education Students • Earn qualifying ACT/SAT scores