



West Seattle High School

Ruth Medsker, Principal

School Report for 2014–15 School Year

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2014–15 School Year

Students: 1,015

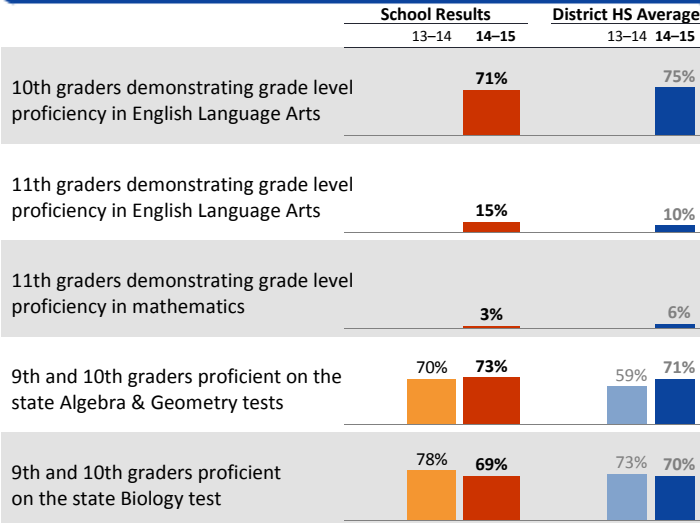
Teachers: 54

Students per teacher: 19

Average daily attendance: 88.8%

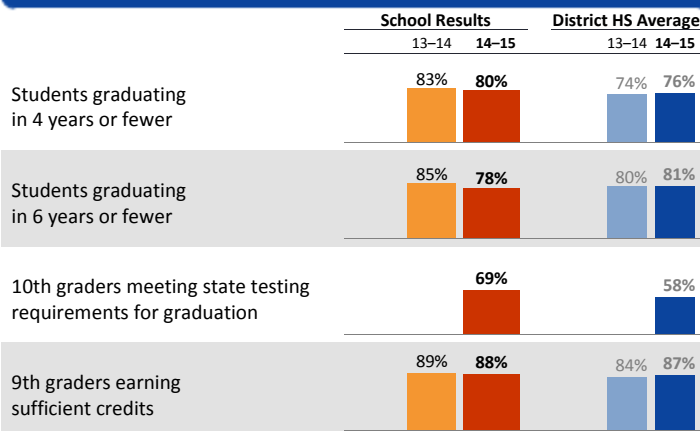
Student mobility: 15%

Student Achievement *



* Students who did not participate in state testing are counted as not demonstrating proficiency. For more details, see "Student Achievement" section of the [Glossary](#)

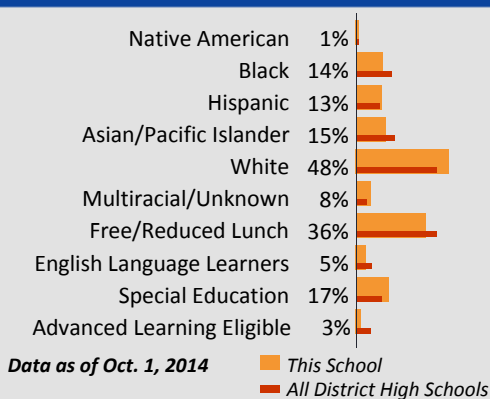
On-Track for Graduation



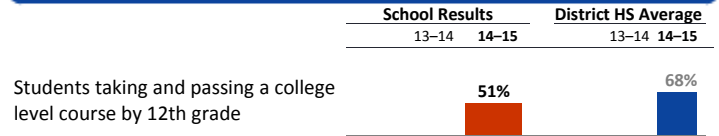
Year-to-Year Growth: Following the Same Students

Year-to-Year Growth data are not included this year due to the transition to Smarter Balanced Assessments in 2014-15.

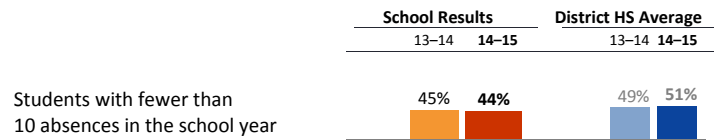
Student Demographics



College & Career Ready



Attendance



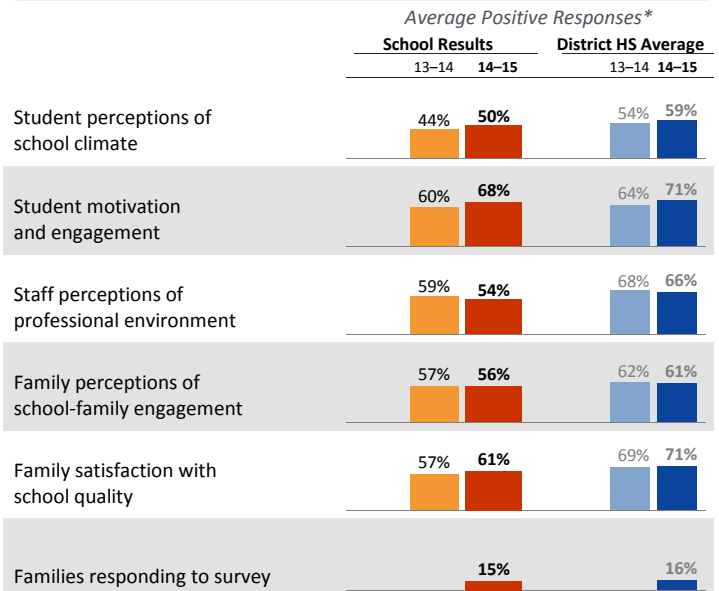
Accountability and School Performance

Seattle Public Schools Segmentation Level: n/a

Met Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) Proficiency Goal for ELA: **No**

Met Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) Proficiency Goal for Math: **No**

Student, Family, and Staff School Climate Survey



Results for each survey category equal the average positive responses for a subset of questions. See results here: tiny.cc/seattlesurveys

Student Proficiency on State Tests

Spring 2015 School average compared to District high school average (grades 9 & 10)

	English Language Arts		Mathematics	
	School	District Avg	School	District Avg
All Students	71%	75%	75%	71%
Native American		52%		48%
Black	42%	46%	61%	49%
Hispanic	55%	63%	54%	62%
Asian/Pacific Islander	77%	80%	78%	80%
White	79%	88%	88%	89%
Multiracial	83%	87%	80%	87%
Free/Reduced Lunch	55%	57%	65%	59%
Eng. Lang. Learners	25%	22%		47%
Special Education	27%	42%	50%	52%
Gifted		95%		



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School Plan & Budget for the 2015–16 School Year

School Mission Statement

West Seattle High School—preparing all students for college and beyond by providing challenging learning experiences which foster scholarship, character, service and leadership
Wildcat values: Accountability, Integrity, and Diversity

School Goals

Our goals include: 1) Creating systems to support the transition into high school and ensure that 100% of our incoming 9th grade students earn 5 or more credits during their 9th grade year. 2) Closing the gap that exists between racial and socioeconomic subgroups of students in both academic performance and discipline. Improved performance of subgroups of students is measured by scores on standardized tests, GPAs, attendance and discipline rates. 3) Ensuring all students graduate with the skills needed for post-high school success. Measures for this include: graduation rates, number of students enrolling in AP/College in the High School courses, Smarter Balanced Assessment and SAT/ACT performance.

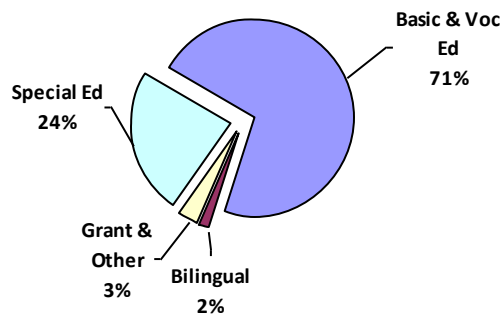
School Description & Plan to Achieve Goals

West Seattle High School is steeped in tradition and enjoys strong community support. The strength of our school lies within the students, staff and community who strive to do excellent work and support the success of all our students. We offer a full range of courses to challenge our students and prepare them for competitive post-high school options.

In order to meet state and district goals, we focus on the achievement of all of our students, looking inward at what are doing in the classroom and outward to the supports we provide to our learners. Teachers meet regularly to develop their practice around inquiry and engagement strategies, analyzing student data and outcomes to make intentional instructional decisions aimed at increasing student achievement. We provide the following supports for students: after school study hall (MASH) on Tuesdays, Thursdays and one Saturday a month; FOCUS classes to provide academic support and skill recovery; online credit retrieval with weekly support; Link Crew to provide support to 9th graders and build leadership skills in upper grade students. Athletes in our growing program participate in the competitive Metro 3A League and last year several of our teams competed for State titles. We also host a diversity of clubs to engage students in developing their interests and passions.

Annual Budget Report

2015–16 School Funding by Category



All financial data are from the 2015–16 recommended budget.

Total
2015–16
School
\$7,349,474
Projected
2015–16
Student
Enrollment:
956
Per-Student
Funding:
\$7,688

Invitation to Participate

Families are critical partners in our students' academic success. Counselors and Academic Intervention Specialists are available to support students both academically and with social/emotional development. We encourage families to stay informed through our website westseattlehs.seattleschools.org and by reading our weekly newsletter, The Westside Weekly.

District Mission Statement

Seattle Public Schools is committed to ensuring equitable access, closing the opportunity gaps and excellence in education for every student.