

West Seattle High School 2024-2025 Profile

West Seattle High School is one of eighteen comprehensive public high schools in Seattle Public Schools located in Seattle, Washington. West Seattle is a four-year high school serving over 1,490 students from 9th to 12th grade and is accredited by the Association of Educational Services Districts of the State of Washington. West Seattle operates on a full day schedule, offering six 55-minute periods four days a week and 40-minute periods one day a week. Approximately 95 courses are taught by a professional certified faculty of 82 staff, and 4 administrators. West Seattle's mission is to ensure every student is empowered to solve complex problems, to positively impact their community and to thrive in a dynamic, diverse global society. West Seattle boasts a graduation rate above the district average and a college-going culture with around 90% of students planning to enroll in college.

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Administrators:

- Brian Vance, Principal
- Nancy Carroll, Asst. Principal
- Megan Claus, Asst. Principal
- Ron Knight, Asst. Principal

Counselors:

- Erica Nguyen, A-Et
- Kinsey Hedeem, Ev-Mad
- Mallory Neuman, Mah-Pet
- Christine Nutters, Ph-Z
- Jessica Langsted, Intern

Student Demographics

- 65.1% identify as White
- 12.8% identify as Multiracial
- 12.5% identify as Hispanic
- 4.6% identify as Black
- 4.1% identify as Asian
- 0.5% identify as American Indian
- 0.3% identify as Pacific Islander

15.5% of students qualify for free or reduced lunch.

3.2% of students are multilingual learners.

SAT Scores

West Seattle provides an SAT exam for all 12th graders.

Total Number of Test Takers: 199

Mean Total Score: 1119

Average ERW (Evidence-based Reading/Writing) Score: 574

Average Math Score: 545

Total Score Range	Percentage of Score within Range
600-790	4%
800-990	23%
1000-1190	37%
1200-1390	27%
1400-1600	10%

Grade Distribution for Senior Class

Class: Size: 384

Average GPA: 3.27

Graduation Requirements

Subject	Required	Recommended
English	4 years	4 years
Math	3 years	3 years
Social Studies	3 years	3 years
Science	3 years	3 years
Physical Education	1.5 years	N/A
Fine Arts	1 year	1 year
Career and Technical Education (CTE)	1 year	N/A
Health	0.5 year	N/A
Foreign Language	0 years	2 years

Potential Additional requirements:

- Washington State History
- High School and Beyond Plan
- 60 Hours of Community Service

Programs and Course Offerings

[2024-25 Course Catalog](#)

AP Curriculum: We offer rigorous college-preparatory coursework with 14 Advanced Placement courses that span the disciplines. Students are encouraged to pursue academic challenge, which is evident in our impressive AP enrollment. Students can take AP courses in their 11th and 12th grade years. In 2024, 471 students took 861 AP exams. The average score was a 3.5 and 80% of exam scores were a 3 or higher.

Unique Programs: Skills Center, Running Start, Automotive Program, Culinary Arts, Woodworking, and Tech Theatre.

AP Course Offerings

- Biology
- Environmental Science
- Physics I
- Calculus BC
- Statistics
- English Language
- English Literature
- U.S. Government & Politics
- U.S. History
- World History
- Spanish
- French
- Chinese
- Art and Design
- Computer Science Principles

College in the High School Offerings

- English 101
- Business Math (Math 130)
- Bridge to College Math

Enrollment Trends

- 79% enrolled in college
- 51% attending 4-year institutions
- 28% attending 2-year institutions
- 32% of students attending an out-of-state 4-year institutions
- 27% of students attending an in-state 4-year institutions

Extra-Curricular Offerings

Athletics

There are 15 sports offered:

Football, Cheer, Cross Country, Golf, Soccer, Swim and Dive, Volleyball, Basketball, Gymnastics, Wrestling, Bowling, Baseball, Tennis, Track and Field, and Ultimate Frisbee.

Fine and Performing Arts

The drama department stage multiple theater productions each year.

We offer a full marching band, jazz and concert programs, symphonic and string orchestra programs, as well as choir with jazz and concert groups.

Our strong music programs receive numerous awards every year.

Clubs & Student Organizations

Seattle currently has numerous active clubs or activities.

The goal at West Seattle is to have co-curricular participation exceed 80% annually.

Some of the Universities and Colleges that West Seattle High School graduates have been accepted to

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| • Arizona State University | • Mount Holyoke College | • University of California (all) |
| • Azusa Pacific University | • New York University | • University of Chicago |
| • Berklee College of Music | • Northeastern University | • University of Colorado |
| • Brown University | • Northwestern University | • University of Hawaii |
| • Cal Poly | • Occidental College | • University of Idaho |
| • California State University | • Oregon State University | • University of Illinois |
| • Carleton University | • Oxford University | • University of Michigan |
| • Central Washington University | • Pacific Lutheran University | • University of Portland |
| • Chapman University | • Parsons School of Design | • University of Puget Sound |
| • Claremont McKenna College | • Pepperdine University | • University of Redlands |
| • Colorado University | • Pomona College | • University of San Francisco |
| • Eastern Washington University | • Purdue University | • University of Southern California |
| • Evergreen State College | • Reed College | • University of Washington |
| • George Fox University | • Rice University | • Washington State University |
| • Gonzaga University | • San Diego State University | • Washington University St. Louis |
| • Harvard University | • Santa Clara University | • Western Washington University |
| • Harvey Mudd University | • Seattle Pacific University | • Whitman College |
| • Johns Hopkins University | • Seattle University | • Whitworth University |
| • Lehigh University | • Smith College | • Willamette University |
| • Lewis & Clark College | • Stanford University | |
| • Montana State University | • University of Arizona | |