

# West Seattle High School

## 2025-2026 School 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 1,500 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. West Seattle High School does not rank students unable to provide this information.

### Student Demographics

- 65.1% identify as White
- 12.9% identify as Multiracial
- 12.3% identify as Hispanic
- 4.6% identify as Black
- 4.2% 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

16.7% of students are College Bound Scholarship Applicants

### Grade Distribution for Senior Class

Class Size: 370

Average GPA: 3.33

### SAT Scores

West Seattle provides an SAT exam for 12th graders:

- Total Number of Test Takers: 205
- Mean Total Score: 1135
- Average ERW (Evidence-based Reading/Writing) Score: 589
- Average Math Score: 545

#### Total Score Range

600-790  
800-990  
1000-1190  
1200-1390  
1400-1600

#### Percentage of Scores Within Range

5%  
20%  
35%  
29%  
11%

### Graduation Requirements

Subject	Required	Recommended
English	4 years	4 years
Math	3 years	4 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/Technical Education (CTE)	1 year	N/A
Health	0.5 year	N/A
World Language	0 years	2 years

### Additional Requirements:

- Graduation Pathway
- Washington State History
- High School & Beyond Plan
- 60 Hours of Community Service

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### Administrators

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

### Counselors

Erica Nguyen, A-El  
Kinsey Hedeem, Em-Leb  
Mallory Neuman, Lee-Pi  
Christine Nutters, Po-Z  
Anu Heera – Intern

## 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 challenges, which is evident in our impressive AP enrollment. Students can take AP courses in their 11th and 12th grade years. In October of 2023, 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:** Seattle Skills Center, Running Start, Automotive Program, Culinary Arts, Residential Carpentry, and Tech Theatre.

## Enrollment Trends

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

## AP Course Offerings

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

## College in the High School Offerings

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

## Extra-Curricular Offerings

Athletics	Fine and Performing Arts	Clubs & Student Organizations
There are 15 sports offered: Football, Cheer, Cross County, Golf, Soccer, Swim and Dive, Volleyball, Basketball, Gymnastics, Wrestling, Bowling, Baseball, Tennis, Track and Field, and Ultimate Frisbee.	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. Every year, our music programs receive numerous awards.	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 graduates of West Seattle High School have been accepted to

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