



WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL

SCHOOL PROFILE 2017-18

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Mission Statement:

To provide an educational environment where caring teachers and involved families foster academic, social, physical, and emotional development for all of our students while preparing them for future opportunities.

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**Washington High School is
a proud member of the
Glendale Union High School District.**

School

Washington High School is an AdvancED accredited school, serving students in grades 9-12 since 1955. We are one of nine high schools in the Glendale Union High School District, founded in 1911. Part of the District named by the College Board as the 2013 AP District of the Year for expanding opportunity and improving performance for advanced placement students, Washington High School was singled out for further recognition as a "Spotlight on Success" school. Furthermore, Washington High School is ranked among the best high schools in the country, according to both *U.S. News & World Report* and *Newsweek's* annual rankings. Washington is an A-rated school by the Arizona Department of Education, and most recently, we were designated an A+ School of Excellence by the Arizona Educational Foundation.

Community

Our campus is situated on approximately 50 acres in an economically and racially diverse neighborhood in central Phoenix. Students from three main feeder schools and more than five schools outside the regular attendance boundaries populate Washington High School. Students are held to high expectations in the classroom, in extracurricular activities, and in the community.

Curriculum

Washington High School curriculum offers a comprehensive public education, giving students the opportunity to take general education courses, honors courses, AP courses, and dual enrollment courses as well as career and technical education courses. Students who complete our rigorous college preparatory program receive an endorsement indicating that achievement on their diplomas.

Classes meet five days a week in 55-minute periods, with the regular school day consisting of six class periods. Electives are offered in fine arts, foreign languages, and career and technical education. Washington High School offers AP courses and exams in visual arts, English, social studies, science, math, and foreign languages; dual enrollment courses are available in multiple subject areas.

Grading System

Excellent	A	90-100 percent	
Above Average	B	80-89 percent	
Average	C	70-79 percent	
Below Average	D	60-69 percent	
Failure	F	0-59 percent	
Pass	P	Audit/No Credit	6
Incomplete	7	Retake	9

Class Rank and GPA

Students are ranked on the basis of the average of honor points earned:

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Regular Section</u>	<u>Honors Section</u>	<u>AP Section</u>
A	4	5	6
B	3	4	5
C	2	3	4
D	1	2	3
F	0	0	0

Graduation Requirements & Diplomas

Washington High School offers three state-approved diplomas:

<u>Standard</u>		<u>Advanced</u>		<u>Honors</u>	
English	4 credits	English	4 credits	English	4 credits
Math	4 credits	Math	4 credits	Math	4 credits
Social Studies	3 credits	Social Studies	3 credits	Social Studies	3 credits
Science	3 credits	Science	3 credits	Science	3 credits
Physical Education	1 credit	Physical Education	1 credit	Physical Education	1 credit
Fine Arts or Career & Technical Education	1 credit	Foreign Language	2 credits	Foreign Language	2 credits
Electives	6 credits	Fine Arts	1 credit	Fine Arts	1 credit
		Electives	5 credits	Electives	6 credits
Total	22 credits	Total	23 credits	Total	24 credits

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AP Courses Offered

Biology	Calculus A-B
Calculus B-C	French
Language & Comp	Literature & Comp
Physics	Spanish
Studio Art: Drawing	U.S. Government
U.S. History	World History
Statistics	

In 2016-17, 307 students were enrolled in AP courses, and 58% of them earned a 3, 4, or 5 on the corresponding AP exam.

Enrollment

As of 08/28/2017

Freshmen: 492	Sophomores: 478
Juniors: 411	Seniors: 348

Total: 1729

Ethnic Origins

American Indian or Alaskan Native	3%
Asian or Pacific Islander	6%
Black, not of Hispanic Origin	13%
Hispanic	60%
White, not of Hispanic Origin	18%

Sampling of Languages Spoken by Students

Albanian	German
Amharic	Kunama
Arabic	Navajo
Armenian	Persian
Bulgarian	Pashto
Chinese	Russian
Croatian	Serbian
Dari	Spanish
Dutch	Tagalog
French	Vietnamese



Extracurricular Involvement Opportunities

Washington High School students participate in a wide range of extracurricular activities, boasting a student participation rate of 82%. Here is a selection:

Academic Decathlon	Interact (Community Service)
Animation Club	Japanese Club
Art Club	Kool Katz
Aspire to Teach	Library Club
Athletic Trainers	Link Crew (Frosh Transition)
Badminton	National Honor Society
Badminton Club	Panorama Yearbook
Baseball	Photo Imaging Skills USA
Basketball (Boys' & Girls')	Pom Line
Be A Leader	Rescue Rams (Animal Rescue)
Best Buddies	Rampage (Newspaper Club)
Bowling Club	RamNation (Spirit Club)
Campus Club	SADD
Cheer	Science Club
Chess Club	Sign Language
Culinary Club	Soccer (Boys' & Girls')
Creative Writing Club	Softball
Cross Country	Strategic Card Club
Dance	Student Government
DECA (Marketing)	Swimming
ELL Club	Swim Club
FBLA (Business)	Teen Court
Fellowship of Christian Athletes	Tennis (Boys' & Girls')
Football	Track
French Club	Track Club
Garden Club	Vocal Music Club
Golf	Volleyball
Green Team	Washington Theatre Co.
Instrumental Music Club	Wrestling