



WASHBURN HIGH SCHOOL

2017-18 School Profile

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MISSION:

Through intercultural understanding and respect, Washburn High School's mission is to ensure students' academic and social growth in an environment that fosters active student involvement while nurturing compassionate life-long learners and global citizens.

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SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY

Built in 1925, Washburn is one of eleven comprehensive urban public high schools in the Minneapolis School District. The district serves over 35,000 students of which approximately 1651 of them are Washburn students. Washburn High School educates students in grades 9-12 and is located in the Tangletown neighborhood of southwest Minneapolis amidst the city's renowned parks and lakes system. The community of Washburn students, families, and staff is proud of its ethnic, racial, linguistic, and religious diversity as it draws from attendance boundaries that span across these multiple strata. Washburn is fully accredited by the State of Minnesota and the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

- Doubled IB diploma candidates in the last two years
- Washburn Debate Team placed 2nd in State in 2016 and 2017
- 2017 Robotics Team won Regional Imagery Award
- Choir teacher is 2-time Tony Honorable Mention Award for Theater Education
- State of Minnesota Division 1 rating for Advanced Choir Program
- Washburn athlete won Soccer Gatorade Player of the Year for 2017
- 28 different home languages among Washburn students

CURRICULUM

Washburn High School provides a rigorous college preparatory curriculum. The International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Programme was authorized in 2012 and the program has seen exponential growth since its inception. Along with college-level coursework, students are engaged in independent research and creative, physical and community service activities all of which can lead to the awarding of the internationally recognized IB Diploma. Only the most dedicated and ambitious students attempt to earn the diploma, but many students take IB coursework for enrichment. Additionally, Washburn offers Advanced Placement (AP) coursework. Seniors can also take a dual high-school/college credit course offered on campus through community college partners. Finally, Washburn offers a series of 6 Project Lead the Way (PLTW) engineering courses that integrate national academic and technical learning standards and Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) principles.

Advanced Course Offerings

English

Honors English (9)
AP English Literature (10)
IB SL/HL Lang. and Lit. (11/12)
IB SL/HL Literature (11/12)

Science

IB SL/HL Biology (11/12)
IB SL/HL Physics (11/12)
IB SL Chemistry (11/12)
IB SL Environmental Systems (12)
IB SL Sports, Exercise & Health Sciences (11/12)

Mathematics

AP Statistics (10,11,12)
IB SL Math Studies (11/12)
IB SL Math (11/12)
IB HL Math (11/12)
MCTC Applied Algebra and Stats (12)

World Language

IB SL/HL Spanish
IB SL/HL French

Social Studies

AP Human Geography (9)
AP US History (10)
IB SL/HL History (11/12)
IB Theory of Knowledge (11/12)

Fine Arts

IB SL/HL Visual Art
IB SL/HL Music Theory

Post-Secondary Enrollment Options: Minnesota offers a dual-credit post-secondary enrollment program (PSEO) which allows qualified students to take courses at local colleges and universities. Each program has its own unique set of qualifications and applications to allow students to access these opportunities.

UMTYUMP: Highly accelerated mathematics students can apply for the University of Minnesota Talented Youth Mathematics Program beginning in 7th grade and take most or all of their high school math coursework at the University. Credits are applied to the high school transcript.



STUDENT ENROLLMENT

as of September 25, 2017

Total students:	1651
Seniors	378
Juniors	410
Sophomores	420
Freshmen	443

Special Education	12%
ELL	12%
FRL/Reduced Lunch	42%

Asian	5%
Black/African American	22%
Hispanic/Latin American	16%
Native American	2%
White	56%

Languages spoken at home: 28

CURRICULUM SNAPSHOT

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Career and Technical Education

Project Lead The Way

English

English Language Learners

Fine Arts

Music, Theater, Visual Arts

Mathematics

Physical Education and Health

Science

Special Education

Collaborative Resource Instruction

*Special Program for Students with
Socio-emotional and Behavior
Needs (SPAN)*

Autism Program (ASD)

World Language

*American Sign Language, Arabic,
French, Spanish*

COLLEGE ACCESS AND ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

Educational Talent Search (TRiO)

Project Success

Upward Bound (TRiO)

FOR MORE INFORMATION
ABOUT WASHBURN, VISIT:

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GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Classes meet daily for six 53-minute periods. Students must earn a minimum of 21.5 credits and successfully complete the following core requirements to earn a Washburn diploma:

English	4	History/Social Science	4	Electives	4.5
Mathematics	3	Physical Education	1	Fine Arts	1
Science	3	Health Education	1		

GRADING SCALE

A	4.00	B-	2.67	D+	1.33	CR	Pass in Pass/Fail Course	<i>Highest unweighted GPA in Class of 2016: 4.0000</i>
A-	3.67	C+	2.33	D	1.00	NC	Fail in a Pass/Fail Course	
B+	3.33	C	2.00	F	0.00			
B	3.00	C-	1.67					

Unless dictated by an IEP or extenuating circumstances, all courses are taken for a letter grade (except "Teacher Aide"). Students may opt to take one elective class on a CR/NC basis one per quarter. GPA's are re-calculated on a quarterly basis. All courses are non-weighted. Beginning with the Class of 2018, Washburn no longer calculates class rank.

All courses taken at Washburn are designated on the transcript under "SCHL" as "IJ"

- **Courses taken through Minnesota's PSEO program** are applied to a Washburn transcript as "as is" (un-weighted) from the University's or College's transcript.
- **Transfer student** grades are applied to a Washburn transcript with fidelity from the sending domestic institution.
- **Transcripts from international schools** are typically interpreted on a CR/NC basis.
- All grades earned in summer school or in our credit recovery program are valued the same as those earned during the school year.
- **High School courses completed during middle school** (e.g., Intermediate Algebra and Geometry) may be listed on transcripts and are applied toward graduation requirements. Grades earned are averaged into a student's cumulative GPA.

DECILE RANK DISTRIBUTION

Decile	GPA Distribution	Decile	GPA Distribution
1	3.907 - 4.000	6	2.825 - 3.224
2	3.787 - 3.902	7	2.511 - 2.824
3	3.653 - 3.786	8	2.043 - 2.510
4	3.453 - 3.652	9	1.619 - 2.042
5	3.225 - 3.452	10	0.638 - 1.608

COURSE RIGOR DETERMINATION

The counseling staff collectively reviews all senior transcripts to determine the rigor of each student's 4-year academic course load. While the larger school district does not allow for formal grade weighting on the transcript, the counseling team uses internal metrics to determine level of rigor. This designation can be found on the Common App Counselor Report or as requested by any college or university. Course rigor for each student is assigned as:

Most Demanding Top 10 percentile	Very Demanding 11-20 th percentile	Demanding 21-30 th percentile	Average 31-71 st percentile	Less Than Average 72-99 th percentile
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Contact the student's counselor for further information.

ADVANCED ACADEMIC INFORMATION

	AP Exams	% Scoring 3+	IB Exams	IB Diploma Recipients	PSEO Students
2015	408	57.8	690	5	72
2016	466	68.0	456	9	81
2017	495*	60.3	623	8	85

*77% of these students were 9th and 10th graders

ACT TEST SCORES

	% Testing	WHS Mean (All)	WHS Mean (4 year bound)
Class of 2015	93.2	22.58	24.49 (57.5%)
Class of 2016	94.7	22.20	24.08 (52.8%)
Class of 2017	94.0	22.51	24.87 (51%)

COLLEGE ENROLLMENT RATE

Percent of students enrolled in college after first semester the first year after high school, Class of 2016

Total College Enrollment	Public	31%	4-Year	75%	Out-of-State	40%
76%	Private	69%	2-Year	25%	In-state	60%

Source: National Student Clearinghouse as of Dec. 31, 2016

COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY MATRICULATION (CLASSES 2015-2017)*Colleges where Washburn students planned to attend based on final transcript request.*

Alabama A&M University	Iowa State University	Sarah Lawrence College
Anoka-Ramsey Community College	Itasca Community College	School of the Art Institute of Chicago
Augsburg College	Kalamazoo College	Seattle University
Augustana University	Kansas State University	Sheridan College Institute of Technology
Aveda Institute Minneapolis	Knox College	Simmons College
Beloit College	Lake Forest College	Sonoma State University
Bemidji State University	Lake Superior College	South Dakota State University
Bennington College	Lawrence University	Southwest Minnesota State University
Bethel University-MN	Louisiana State University	St. Catherine University - St. Paul
Blackhawk Technical College	Loyola University Chicago	St. Cloud State University
Bradley University	Luther College	St. Cloud Technical & Community College
Brandeis University	Macalester College	St. Olaf College
Brigham Young University, Idaho	Manchester University	The George Washington University
Bryn Mawr College	Marquette University	The University of Arizona
Butler University	McGill University	The University of Iowa
Carleton College	Metropolitan State University	University of Montana, Missoula
Clark University	Miami University, Oxford	The University of Tampa
Coe College	Mills College	Trinity International University
Colby College	Milwaukee School of Engineering	University of California, Berkeley
Colorado College	Minneapolis College of Art and Design	University of Colorado at Boulder
Colorado State University	Minneapolis Community/Technical College	University of Denver
Concordia College - Moorhead	Minnesota State University, Mankato	University of Illinois at Chicago
Concordia University - Montreal	Montana State University, Bozeman	University of Kansas
Concordia University at St. Paul	Morehouse College	University of Manitoba
Connecticut College	New Mexico Highlands University	University of Mary
Cornell College	New York University	University of Minnesota, Duluth
Creighton University	Normandale Community College	University of Minnesota, Rochester
Dakota County Technical College	North Dakota State College of Science	University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
Dakota State University	North Dakota State University	University of North Dakota
DePaul University	North Hennepin Community College	University of Northwestern
Des Moines Area CC	Northeastern University	University of Oregon
Drake University	Northern Michigan University	University of Puget Sound
Dunwoody College of Technology	Northern State University	University of Puget Sound
East Texas Baptist University	Northland College	University of Richmond
Ellsworth Community College	Oberlin College of Arts and Sciences	University of San Diego
Emory University	Occidental College	University of St. Thomas
Florida Southern College	Pennsylvania State University	University of Vermont
Fort Lewis College	Philander Smith College	University of Washington
Glenville State College	Portland State University	University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire
Grambling State University	Purdue University	University of Wisconsin, La Crosse
Grinnell College	Queen's University	University of Wisconsin, Madison
Gustavus Adolphus College	Regis University	University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee
Hamline University	Ridgewater College	University of Wisconsin, River Falls
Hampton University	Riverland Community College	University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point
Hennepin Technical College	Roosevelt University	University of Wisconsin, Stout
Hillsborough Community College	Rust College	Vassar College
Humber College	Saint John's University	Viterbo University
Indiana University at Bloomington	Saint Mary's University of Minnesota	Wheaton College IL
Indiana University of Pennsylvania	Saint Michael's College	Winona State University
Inver Hills Community College	Saint Paul College	Xavier University
Iowa Lakes Community College	Santa Barbara City College	The George Washington University
		The University of Arizona