



# WASHBURN HIGH SCHOOL

## 2020-2021 School Profile

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### CEE/ACT CODE # 241695

#### 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 seven 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 2019-2020

- Policy Debate Minnesota State Team Champions
- Drone Racing Team Section AA Winner
- Gatorade Boys Soccer Player of the Year
- State Boys Alpine Ski Champion
- Minnesota State "Superior Rating" Band, Choir, and Orchestra
- 6 Hennepin Trust Spotlight Award Winners
- 5 National Merit Semi-Finalists

### 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 (Available to Class of 2021)

#### English

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

#### Mathematics

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

#### World Language

IB SL/HL Spanish  
IB SL/HL French  
IB SL Arabic

#### Social Studies

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

#### Fine Arts

IB SL/HL Visual Art

**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 7<sup>th</sup> 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 18, 2020

<b>Total students:</b>	<b>1701</b>
Seniors	399
Juniors	415
Sophomores	436
Freshmen	451

Special Education	9.8%
ELL	10.3%
FRL/Reduced Lunch	35%

Asian	4.1%
Black/African American	21.9%
Hispanic	8.8%
Hawaiian/Pac. Isl.	0%
Native American	1.3%
White	63.8%

Languages spoken at home: 24

## CURRICULUM SNAPSHOT

AVID

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

*Project Success*

*Upward Bound (TRiO)*

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Classes meet daily for six 55-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	3.5	Electives	5
Mathematics	3	Physical Education	.5	Fine Arts	1
Science	3	Health Education	.5		

## GRADING SCALE

A	4.00	B-	2.67	D+	1.33	CR	Pass in Pass/Fail Course	<i>Highest unweighted GPA in Class of 2020: 4.00 (2)</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 with fidelity from the sending domestic institution.
- **Transfer student** grades are applied to a Washburn transcript with fidelity from the sending domestic institution.
- **Transcripts from international schools** are typically interpreted according to scale provided by school.
- 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.

## CLASS OF 2020 DECILE RANK DISTRIBUTION

Decile	GPA Distribution	Decile	GPA Distribution
1	3.938 - 4.000	6	3.207 - 3.45
2	3.832 - 3.936	7	2.849 - 3.206
3	3.731 - 3.831	8	2.360 - 2.849
4	3.730 - 3.616	9	1.978 - 2.355
5	3.485 - 3.616	10	0.00 - 1.932

## ADVANCED ACADMIC 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
2018	578	57.1	647	21	108
2019	642*	59.5	468	11	81

\*84% of these students were 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> 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%)
Class of 2018	97.7	23.25	27.00 (50.6%)
Class of 2019	92.5	23.09	26.16 (58.9%)

## POSTSECONDARY PLANS (2019)

4-Year College: 59%    2-Year College: 27%    Apprenticeship: 10%    Other: 4%

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT WASHBURN, VISIT:

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**COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY MATRICULATION (CLASSES 2015-2019)***Colleges where Washburn students planned to attend based on final transcript request.*

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Alabama A&M University	Johnson C. Smith University	South Dakota School of Mines
American University	Kalamazoo College	South Dakota State University
Arizona State University	Kansas State University	Southern University
Augsburg University	Knox College	Southwest Minnesota State University
Augustana University	Lake Forest College	St. Catherine University
Bard College	Lake Superior College	St. Cloud State University
Beloit College	Lawrence University	St. Francis College
Bemidji State University	Lehigh University	St. Olaf College
Bennington College	Lewis and Clark College	Syracuse University
Bethany Lutheran College	Louisiana State University	Texas A & M University
Bethel University	Loyola University Chicago	Texas State University
Boston University	Luther College	The College of Wooster
Bradley University	Macalester College	The George Washington University
Brandeis University	Manchester University	The New School
Brigham Young University, Idaho	Marquette University	Trinity International University
Brown University	Marymount Manhattan College	United States Naval Academy
Bryn Mawr College	McGill University	University of Arizona
Butler University	Metropolitan State University	University of British Columbia
California Poly Tech, San Luis Obispo	Miami University, Oxford	University of California, Berkeley
Carleton College	Michigan State University	University of Colorado Boulder
City College of San Francisco	Mills College	University of Dayton
Clark Atlanta University	Milwaukee School of Engineering	University of Denver
Clark University	Minneapolis College of Art and Design	University of Illinois at Chicago
Coe College	Minnesota State University Mankato	University of Iowa
Colby College	Montana State University Bozeman	University of Kansas
College of Saint Benedict	Morehouse College	University of Manitoba
Colorado College	New Mexico Highlands University	University of Maryland
Colorado State University	New York University	University of Minnesota Duluth
Concordia College - Moorhead	North Central University	University of Minnesota Morris
Concordia University - Montreal	North Dakota State University	University of Minnesota Rochester
Concordia University at St. Paul	North Park University	University of Minnesota Twin Cities
Connecticut College	Northeastern University	University of Minnesota, Duluth
Cornell College	Northern Michigan University	University of Montana, Missoula
Cornell University	Northern State University	University of Nebraska Lincoln
Creighton University	Northland College	University of Nebraska, Omaha
Dakota State University	Northpark University	University of North Carolina Wilmington
Dartmouth College	Northwestern University	University of North Dakota
DePaul University	Oberlin College	University of Northern Iowa
Drake University	Occidental College	University of Northwestern
Dunwoody College of Technology	Olin College	University of Oregon
Earlham College	Oregon State University	University of Puget Sound
East Texas Baptist University	Pace University	University of Richmond
Eastern Washington University	Penn State University	University of San Diego
Ellsworth Community College	Philander Smith College	University of San Francisco
Emory University	Pomona College	University of St. Thomas
ESMOD, Paris	Portland State University	University of Tampa
Fashion Institute of Technology	Pratt Institute	University of Toronto
FIDM	Purdue University	University of Vermont
Florida Southern College	Queen's University	University of Washington
Fort Lewis College	Reed College	University of Wisconsin Eau Claire
George Washington University	Regis University	University of Wisconsin Madison
Glenville State College	Robert Morris University	University of Wisconsin Milwaukee
Grambling State University	Roosevelt University	University of Wisconsin River Falls
Grinnell College	Rust College	University of Wisconsin Stout
Gustavus Adolphus College	Saint John's University	University of Wisconsin, La Crosse
Hamilton College	Saint Mary's University of Minnesota	University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point
Hamline University	Saint Michael's College	University of Wyoming
Hampton University	San Diego State University	Vassar College
Hofstra University	San Jose State University	Villanova University
Hope College	Santa Barbara City College	Viterbo University
Howard University	Sarah Lawrence College	Washington State University
Humber College	School of the Art Institute of Chicago	Wesleyan University
Indiana University at Bloomington	Seattle University	Western Washington University
Indiana University of Pennsylvania	Sheridan College Institute of Technology	Wheaton College IL
Iowa State University	Simmons College	Whitman College
Ithaca College	Sonoma State University	Winona State University
		Xavier University



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Statement regarding the impact of the Covid 19 pandemic on the Class of 2021 and the following Class of 2021  
School Profile:

Due to Covid 19, all grading for 4th quarter 2020 was Credit/No Credit only. This quarter along was conducted through distance learning only. As of this writing (9/18/20), School Year 2021 is being conducted through distance learning only.

A large majority of the Class of 2021 has not been able to take the ACT or SAT. In addition, those who have taken one of these exams, took it early in their Junior year and were not able to take it a second time. Our general practice has been to advise students to take a college entrance exam the first time without much preparation to get a baseline score. Since most those who were able to sit for an exam only, only were able to make one attempt, these scores likely do not represent the high scores students would have received had they had more opportunities to take it.

In the following profile, exam scores and college matriculation information are taken from the 2019-2020 Profile as we have not yet been able to accurately capture complete data from the Class of 2020.

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