



# WESTERVILLE SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL

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### OUR DISTRICT

Serving a culturally and economically diverse 52-square-mile area in northeastern Franklin and southern Delaware counties, the Westerville City School District (WCSD) educates approximately 15,000 students. WCSD is the 11th-largest district in Ohio and enjoys a history of being recognized by the Ohio Department of Education as a high-performing school district. The district operates 14 elementary schools, four middle schools, three high schools, an Early Learning Center and an Academic Enrichment Center. All three district high schools have been identified by Newsweek magazine as being among the best high schools in America. The Class of 2018 earned more than \$6 million in scholarship offers and, on average, more than 80% of Westerville School District graduates pursue a post-secondary education.

### OUR SCHOOL

Westerville South High School is the oldest of the three high schools in WCSD and educates approximately 1,600 students in grades 9-12. The school day consists of seven, 49 minute periods during the semester-oriented schedule. Each year, students may schedule up to as many as seven classes. South offers the International Baccalaureate (IB) curriculum, and candidates in the class of 2019 will be the fourteenth cohort to earn IB Diplomas. Our student body is diverse and consists of the following demographics:

Asian	4%	Black	28%	Latino	9%	Multiracial	9%
White	50%	Gifted	28%	ESL	4%	Free/Reduced Lunch	21%
Female	51%	Male	49%	Number of languages spoken—18			

Over the past five years, South has had 15 National Merit Semi Finalists/Finalists, 2 National Achievement Semi Finalists/Finalists, 3 National Hispanic Semi Finalists/Finalists and 23 Commended Scholars.

### GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

English	4.0
Mathematics	4.0 (Algebra 2 or equivalent required)
Science	3.0 (1 Life, 1 Physical & 1 Advanced)
Social Studies	3.0 (1 Amer. Hist., 1 World Hist. & 1 US Govt.)
Health	0.5
Physical Education	0.5
Visual and Performing Arts	1.0 (or two 0.5 credits)
Electives	4.0
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>A minimum of 20.0 credits required</b>

### GRADING SYSTEM

The 4.0, A-F grading system is computed each semester. With weighting for Honors, AP, IB and College Credit Plus courses (see next page), students' cumulative grade-point averages can exceed 4.6. Quality points are assigned as follows:

98-100 = A+ (4.3)	88-89 = B+ (3.3)	78-79 = C+ (2.3)	68-69 = D+ (1.3)
92-97 = A (4.0)	82-87 = B (3.0)	72-77 = C (2.0)	62-67 = D (1.0)
90-91 = A- (3.7)	80-81 = B- (2.7)	70-71 = C- (1.7)	60-61 = D- (0.7)



# CURRICULUM

Westerville South High School currently offers more than 125 year-long and semester courses including the following: English, mathematics, science, social studies, health and physical education, world languages of French, Spanish and American Sign Language, art, music and business. Other options include approximately 90 vocational programs at the Columbus and Delaware Career Centers, College Credit Plus (dual-enrollment) and independent study. Additionally, South offers a full range of honors, Advanced Placement (AP) and IB curriculum.

**Honors courses receive a weighted factor of 1.125.** These courses include: Honors English 9, 10 and British Literature; Honors Geometry, Algebra 2, 3 and Pre-Calculus; Honors Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Anatomy/Physiology; Honors American History 1 and 2; and Honors French, Spanish and American Sign Language.

**IB Standard Level (SL) courses receive a weighted factor of 1.125.** These courses include: French, Spanish, Spanish *Ab Initio*, Psychology, Business Management, Biology, Chemistry, Sports, Exercise and Health Science, Math Studies, Mathematics, Music and Visual Art.

**IB Higher Level (HL) courses receive a weighted factor of 1.25.** These courses include: English, French, Spanish, History of the Americas, Biology, Physics, Mathematics, Business Management and Visual Art.

**AP courses receive a weighted factor of 1.25.** These courses include: English Language, English Literature, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Physics 1, Physics 2, U.S. History, World History, U.S. Government, Computer Science and Psychology.

**College Credit Plus Courses (CCP) receive a weighted factor of 1.25.** The following CCP courses are taught in WCSD: Human Body Systems, Principles of Biomedical Science, Medical Interventions, Medical Terminology, Introduction to Health Care, Lab Theory for Healthcare, Introduction to Medical Coding, Computer Concepts/Applications, Fundamentals of Business and Administration, Marketing Principles and Personal Finance.

## CLASS RANK

Rank in class is computed each semester based on all courses. Rank is cumulative and is reported on the transcript. For the class of 2018, the highest GPA is 4.8124 on a 4.0 scale. Sixteen percent of the class of 2017 has a GPA above a 4.0, 37% has a GPA between 3.0 and 4.0, 30% has between a 2.0 and 2.99 and 17% has below a 2.0.

## COLLEGE TESTING

2017 ACT (302) Tests Taken				2017 SAT (37 Tests Taken)			
Average	WSHS	OH	Nat.	Mean	WSHS	OH	Nat.
<b>Composite:</b>	<b>23.4</b>	<b>22.0</b>	<b>20.8</b>	<b>2400 Scale:</b>	<b>1710</b>	<b>1660</b>	<b>1470</b>
English	22.4	21.2	20.1	Critical Reading	590	560	490
Math	23.0	21.6	20.6	Math	580	560	500
Reading	24.1	22.5	21.3	Writing	540	540	480
Science	23.5	22.0	20.8				

In 2017-18, 270 students enrolled in IB courses. Of these, 133 tested in 2018. Seventy-nine percent of students scored a 4 or higher. There were 24 IB Diploma Candidates for the 2017-18 school year, and 20 IB Diplomas were earned. In 2017-18, 430 students enrolled in AP courses. There were 333 students who took at least one AP exam. Out of the students that took an AP exam in the 2017-18 school year, fifty-eight percent of them scored a 3 or better.

## POST HIGH SCHOOL PLANS

For the class of 2018, 60% of Westerville South High School graduates planned to continue their education beyond high school. Of the college-going population, 78% planned to attend a four-year college, and 22% planned to attend a two-year college.

## HIGH SCHOOL VISITS

Westerville South uses [www.repvisits.com](http://www.repvisits.com). If you have questions, please contact Mr. Justin Ferguson at (614) 797-6022 or [fergusoj@wcsoh.org](mailto:fergusoj@wcsoh.org).

## 2018 College Matriculation

Antioch College  
 Ashland University  
 Baldwin Wallace University  
 Ball State University  
 Bowling Green State University  
 Bradford School  
 Capital University  
 Case Western Reserve University  
 Central Ohio Technical College  
 Central State University  
 Cleveland State University  
 Colgate University  
 Colorado School of Mines  
 Columbus College of Art and Design  
 Columbus State Community College  
 Concordia University - Ann Arbor  
 Davidson College  
 Denison University  
 DePaul University  
 Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University - Daytona Beach  
 Florida Institute of Technology  
 Florida State University  
 Franciscan University of Steubenville  
 Grace College  
 Hartwick College  
 Hiram College  
 Howard University  
 Kent State University  
 Kenyon College  
 Lake Forest College  
 Lawrence University  
 Marymount Manhattan College  
 Miami University, Oxford  
 Michigan State University  
 Midlands Technical College  
 Montgomery College  
 Mount Carmel College of Nursing  
 Muskingum University  
 Ohio Christian University  
 Ohio Dominican University  
 Ohio Northern University  
 Ohio University  
 Ohio Wesleyan University  
 Otterbein University  
 Shawnee State University  
 The College of Wooster  
 The Ohio State University  
 The Ohio State University at Newark  
 The University of Akron  
 The University of Findlay  
 The University of Northwestern Ohio  
 Thomas More College  
 Tiffin University  
 United States Naval Academy  
 University of Cincinnati  
 University of Dayton  
 University of Indianapolis  
 University of Mount Union  
 University of North Carolina at Charlotte  
 University of North Carolina School of the Arts  
 University of Pittsburgh  
 University of Saint Francis  
 University of Toledo  
 University of Wisconsin, Green Bay  
 Urbana University  
 Walsh University  
 West Virginia State University  
 Western State Colorado University  
 Wittenberg University  
 Wright State University  
 Youngstown State University