

# 9 Period Day Update

## New Course Offerings



# Goals of WWHS 9 Period Day

- To incorporate a 9 period day schedule at Walt Whitman High School for the purpose of providing the necessary support and engagement to students of all learning levels, giving our students the opportunity to excel.

## A History Lesson

- The last school year during which Walt Whitman High School maintained a 9-period schedule was 2010/2011. In that year there were approximately 1,896 students in the building. The Master Schedule listed 152 teachers and approximately 257 different courses offered. Note: There were 40 ICT sections. 1100 study hall seats.
- We currently (2023-2024) have approximately 2,028 students in the building. The Master Schedule lists 167 teachers and approximately 290 different courses offered. Note: There are currently 70 ICT sections. 349 study hall seats.

# 9 Period Day

## Benefits for 9th grade students:

- More elective choices
- Increased opportunity for student support through our Academic Extra Help Classes and Academic Instructional Support Courses
- More options for students to participate in the fine arts and take an elective
- AP elective courses

## Greater Student Involvement:

- Clubs
- Intramurals
- Fine Arts
- Athletics

# Current 9 Period Scheduling Parameters Advanced/Regents Track

9th Grade: 4 Core Academic (4.5 periods), 1 Music/Art, .5 Physical Education, 1 World Language and 1 Lunch, 1 Elective.

10th Grade: 4 Core Academic (4.5 periods), .5 Physical Education, 1 World Language and 1 Lunch, 2 Electives.

11th Grade: 4 Core Academic (4.5 periods), .5 Physical Education, 1 World Language, .5 Health and 1 Lunch, 1.5 Electives.

12th Grade: 1 Social Science (Politics in Government and Economics), 1 English, .5 Physical Education, 1 Lunch, 1.5 Science (elective or core), 1 Math (elective), 3 Electives.

## AIS Support

Number of students being supported (AEH, AIS, Lab Support): 276 (1st & 2nd quarter).

## AP Info

Number of AP seats 2024: 1390

Number of AP seats 2022: (Pre 9 per. day)  
1050

Almost 50% of Whitman students taking at least 1 AP course in their 4 years of HS.

# New Courses Offered

Over the last 4 years Walt Whitman High School has looked to increase the number of courses that reflect student interest and support a changing focus in the workforce. Student selection/interest allows us to offer these courses to provide individuals the ability to learn more about topics and careers.

# English

## Electives Offered at WW

- Women Warriors
- Journalism
- TV Media Analysis
- Composition
- Nature of Language
- Heroic Image
- World Literature
- Comparative Mythology
- Dylan: American Poet
- College Writing
- Creative Writing
- Dramatics
- Media and Us
- Public Speaking
- The Tragic and Comic Experience
- Youth and Identity
- Dystopian Truths
- Finding Answers
- Sports Literature
- Business Writing





# Math/Science/Tech Electives

## 9th grade opportunities:

- Robotics
- Electrical Explorations
- Research I
- Javascript
- Cybersecurity
- Web Design
- AP Computer Science Principles
- History of the Earth/Geology of New York (prereq: Earth Sci)
- Basic Auto Care
- Small Engine Repair
- Design and Drawing for Production
- Web Design
- Artificial Intelligence
- Video Game Design

## 10th -12th opportunities:

- Applied Chemistry (11-12)
- Anatomy & Physiology (11-12)
- Astronomy (10-12)
- Environmental Studies (11-12)
- Forensics I & II (11-12)
- Marine Biology (10-12)
- Meteorology (10-12)
- Research II, III and IV (9-12)
- AP Biology
- AP Environmental
- AP Statistics
- AP Chemistry
- AP Physics I & II
- AP Computer Science A
- AP Calculus AB & BC
- College Calculus
- Engineering:ENGG 10
- Organic Chemistry
- Patient Zero
- Zoology

# Social Studies Electives

- African-American Experience
- Student Court
- Student Leadership 1,2
- Freshman Leadership
- Advanced Student Leadership
- Sociology
- Psychology
- AP Psychology
- Thinking and Learning Strategies
- Sports Through Literature and History
- History Through Music
- History's Mysteries
- Philosophy
- Genocide
- Crime & Delinquency
- Anthropology
- AP Capstone Research
- AP Comparative Government
- AP Art History
- International Relations
- Long Island History
- Ethics and Philosophy of Education
- History at the Movies
- Conflict and the Course of History

# Business

## Elective Options for Students

- Business Computer Application
- Entertainment & Sports Management\*
- Entertainment & Sports Marketing\*
- Financial Decision Making\*
- Social Media and Digital Citizenship
- Whitman at Work
- Accounting I & II\*
- Business Law\*
- Entrepreneurship\*
- Virtual Enterprise International (I and II)\*
- Community Service Program
- Wall Street Investment

# Family & Consumer Sciences

**NUTRITION AND WELLNESS (9-12)**

**FUTURE TEACHERS (9-12)**

**ADOLESCENCE: TEENS IN THE REAL WORLD (10-12)**

**CHILD DEVELOPMENT I (10-12)**

**CHILD DEVELOPMENT II (10-12)**

## Health

**Mental Health (9-12)**

**Introduction to Sports Medicine (11-12)**

**Global Health (11-12)**