



WALT WHITMAN HIGH SCHOOL

301 West Hills Road
Huntington Station, NY 11746

CEEB: 332495

Class of 2023 Highlights:

429 Graduates

56% of All Graduates Received an
Advanced Regents Diploma

Received Over 18 Million Dollars
In Scholarships

2 National Merit Finalist

5 National Merit Commended
Students

95 AP Scholars

44 AP Scholars With Honors

51 AP Scholars With Distinction

14 AP Capstone Diplomas

4 AP Seminar & Research Certificates

24 Seal of Biliteracy Awards

182 Seal of Civic Readiness Awards

40 % Of All Graduates
Have Taken AP Coursework

11,586 Hours of Combined
Community Service Hours

82% of All 2023 Graduates Will
be Attending College in the Fall

New York State School of
Excellence: Federal Department
of Education

Recognized as Top 100 School
in New York State & Top 6 High
School in Suffolk County (Niche.com)

Recognized as One of America's Most
Challenging High Schools -Washington
Post

U.S. News Silver Medal Award Winner
as a one of America's Top High
Schools

NYSSMA Level 5 Silver and Gold
Award Winning High School Music
Program

3 Time State Championship Marching
Band and Color Guard

"The Best 100 Communities in
Music Education," The
National Association for Music

HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE 2022-2023

Mission Statement

The mission of the South Huntington School District is to:

Empower all children to maximize their potential by teaching them the necessary academic skills; enable them to develop the positive social and moral skills necessary to become contributing members of society; provide them with a safe and secure environment where everyone is treated with respect.

School

Walt Whitman High School conducts a comprehensive program for approximately 1,979 students in Grades 9 to 12. Walt Whitman High School prides itself on providing a diverse and dynamic education to the students by offering an eclectic and rigorous academic program. The school boasts a variety of academic and elective programs that allow students to nurture their own personal interests, while still providing a quality education. Located on the North Shore of Long Island in Suffolk County, Walt Whitman High School is one of 90 public and private districts and is seen as a model for economically, diverse communities.

Walt Whitman High School hosts a variety of clubs and activities to accentuate student strengths and interests. Over 30 clubs and Honor Societies such as DECA, African-American Heritage, GSO, Hispanic Club, Leadership, Robotics, SADD, and Video Yearbook are just a few that allow students to participate in the whole high school experience. These clubs and organizations have played a significant role in students donating nearly 60,000 community service hours.

Community

The high school is part of a suburban residential community that strongly supports the educational system. South Huntington may best be described as a multi-cultural community with a socio-economically diverse population of students. This diversity almost perfectly mirrors the demographic profile of the United States, and this unique environment is an asset to the post high school preparation of our students. Students within the South Huntington School District are provided a rich and rigorous education, while addressing the social and emotional needs of all it encompasses. Students from all walks of life are given the support necessary to be successful members of the South Huntington community, regardless of ability or socio-economic status.

South Huntington benefits from Title IA federal funds which are federal educational funds distributed through state departments of education. Schools and districts are identified to receive these funds based solely on levels of poverty (percentages of students benefitting from either free or reduced-priced lunch). Additionally, approximately nine percent of our student population are English Language Learners. The district has been successful in, and continues to focus on, closing the achievement gap within our diverse student population. Student achievement levels based on New York State Regents exams and graduation rates reflect a higher level of achievement compared to other schools with similar populations in New York State. Over twenty-five percent of the student body, regardless of socio-economic status, participates in the Advanced Placement program. In addition, thirty percent of the graduating class was designated as AP scholars.

Grading System

All courses offered at Walt Whitman High School will utilize the weighting formula listed below when determining a student's overall GPA, which will be reflected on their personal transcript.

Regents Courses

Honors & College Courses

Advanced Placement Courses

Final Grade X 1.04= Weighted Grade

Final Grade X 1.07= Weighted Grade

Final Grade X 1.15= Weighted Grade

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Special Programs

Honors Courses: English 9-11; Algebra 1; Geometry; Algebra II; Pre-Calculus; World Literature; Global History 1 & 2; US History & Government; Participation in Government; Economics; Biology; Chemistry; Physics; Spanish; Italian.

College Courses: Walt Whitman hosts many partnerships with various post-secondary institutions (Five Towns College, Molloy College, Suffolk Community College, Farmingdale State College, Hofstra University, St. Joseph's College, Syracuse University, St. John's University, and Stony Brook University) to provide students the ability to attain college credit. College credit may be awarded based on a joint curriculum initiative with the sponsoring institution in the following courses: Accounting; Business Law; Dance; World Literature Honors; Astronomy; Marine Biology & Oceanography; Meteorology; The African American Experience; Anthropology; Crime & Delinquency; Genocide: The Holocaust & Beyond; Philosophy; Psychology; Business Law; Entrepreneurship; Introduction to Hospitality, Tourism, and Recreation; Financial Decision Making; French IV; Italian IV; Spanish IV; Business Statistics; Engineering 101; Science Research III; and Algebra 2/ Trigonometry; Virtual Enterprise I & II; Anatomy and Physiology.

Advanced Placement Courses: Language & Composition; Literature & Composition; Art History; Capstone (Seminar, Research); European History; Comparative Government & Politics; Human Geography; World History; United States History; US Government & Politics; Macroeconomics; Psychology; Biology; Chemistry; Environmental Science; Physics 1; Physics 2; Calculus AB; Calculus BC; Statistics; Computer Science A; Computer Science Principles; Music Theory; Studio Art; Studio Art: Drawing; Studio Art: 3D Design; French Language; Italian Language; Spanish Language; Spanish Literature.

Music Program: South Huntington UFSD has been named as one of "The Best 100 Communities in Music Education" as recognized by MENC. Our students enjoy a rich musical experience through the Long Island String Festival Association (LISFA) and Suffolk County Music Educators Association (SCMEA) All-County Ensembles, as well as opportunities for adjudication through the New York State School Music Association Solo and Ensemble Festivals and qualification for All-State designation.

South Huntington music groups have consistently earned Gold with Distinction and Gold ratings with NYSSMA. In addition we have many individuals that earn high ratings and others that participate on the "Festival" level. It is the thrill of the performance of a difficult piece of music that drives our teachers and students to excellence on all levels. South Huntington is among one the strongest music programs found on Long Island. Walt Whitman High School offers a comprehensive music education to its students with opportunities in Jazz and Stage bands, Pit Orchestras, Marching Band, Chamber Ensembles, and Wind Ensemble and Concert Choir.

Life Skills: This work-based learning program allows students with special needs the ability to apply learned social and vocational skills to connect what is learned in school with a real work experience through supervised community interactions.

Career and Technical Education Program (BOCES): This half-day program provides students with an opportunity to explore a broad spectrum of careers through hands-on learning experiences and allows them to develop skills necessary for employment in specific career areas or post-secondary study.

College and Career Ready Programs: Walt Whitman High has had the opportunity to develop partnerships and community ties through the utilization of the College and Career Readiness program. Under the direction of the college and career readiness coach, students are afforded the opportunity to engage in work-based learning experiences with local private and public enterprises. Partnerships include all aspects of industry, medicine, technology, and arts. Students also have the ability to work with not-for-profit and volunteer groups to help boost community relations and create ties with local politicians and community leaders.

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Graduation Requirements

Students must earn at least 22 credits to qualify for a New York State high school diploma. Walt Whitman High School students typically earn well above the minimum credits, which include:

4 English	3 Science	2 Physical Education
4 Social Studies	1 World Languages	½ Health
3 Mathematics	1 Arts	3½ Electives

Diplomas Awarded

Regents Diploma: Students must also pass 4 required Regents examinations with a score of 65 or better as follows: 1 Math, 1 Science, 1 Social Studies, ELA and 1 Pathway Assessment.

Advanced Regents Diploma: Students may meet the assessment requirements in order to earn a Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation by passing: ELA, 1 Social Studies, 3 Math, 2 Science (1 must be life science and 1 must be physical science), and 1 Pathway Assessment. In addition, a student must pass either a locally developed Checkpoint B LOTE examination or complete a 5 unit sequence in the Arts or CTE.

Regents Diploma with Honors and Advanced Regents with Honors: Students must meet all assessment requirements for the Regents Diploma or Advanced Regents Diploma with a computed average score of 90 or better and fulfill all credit requirements.

2023 ACT Results

	Whitman Mean	New York State Mean	National Mean
English	22.7	N/A	19.5
Math	22.0	N/A	19.9
Reading	24.9	N/A	20.9
Science	24.0	N/A	20.3
Composite	23.5	N/A	20.3

2023 SAT Results

Whitman Mean	New York State Mean		National Mean		
ERW	557	ERW	528	ERW	528
Math	562	Math	530	Math	523
Total Mean:	1120	Total Mean:	1058	Total Mean:	1051

2023 AP Exams

622 students in Grades 9-12 took a total of 1,170 exams
 (442 students taking AP examinations scored 3 or higher)

Art History 2.5	Biology 3.5	Calculus BC 3.6	Chemistry 3.7	Calculus AB 3.5
Computer Science A 2.1	English Language 2.9	English Literature 3.9	Environmental Science 3.5	European History 2.6
Human Geography 3.6	Italian Language 3.3	Macroeconomics 2.8	Music Theory 3.0	Physics I 2.7
Physics II 3.1	Psychology 2.9	Seminar 3.5	Spanish Language 4.2	Statistics 2.8
Studio Art 3.3	US Government & Politics 2.9	US History 2.5	World History 3.9	Comp Gov. 4.3

CLASS OF 2023

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Attending 4-year colleges: 66%

Attending 2-year colleges: 25%

Academy of Art University	Manhattan College
Adelphi University	Manhattanville College
Appalachian State University	Marist College
Binghamton University	Marymount Manhattan College
Boston College	Michigan State University
Boston University	Millersville University of Pennsylvania
Canisius University	Molloy University
Chicago State University	Montclair State University
Clemson University	Nassau Community College
College of Charleston	New York Institute of Technology
Cornell University	New York University
CUNY Bernard M Baruch College	Northeastern University
CUNY Hunter College	Ohio State University-Main Campus
CUNY John Jay College of Criminal Justice	Pace University, New York City Campus
CUNY Kingsborough Community College	Pennsylvania State University-Penn State Main Campus
CUNY Queens College	Purdue University-Main Campus
Dean College	Quinnipiac University
Elon University	Rochester Institute of Technology
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University-Daytona Beach	Roger Williams University
Farmingdale State College	Sacred Heart University
Fashion Institute of Technology	Santa Fe College
Five Towns College	School of Visual Arts
Florida State University	Seton Hall University
Grinnell College	St. John's University - Manhattan
Hartwick College	St. John's University-New York
Harvard University	St. Joseph's University, New York - Long Island Campus
Hofstra University	St. Thomas Aquinas College
Indiana University-Bloomington	State University of New York at New Paltz
Institute of Culinary Education	Stevens Institute of Technology
Iona University	Stony Brook University
Jacksonville University	Suffolk County Community College
James Madison University	Suffolk County Community College-Eastern Campus
Johnson & Wales University-Providence	Suffolk County Community College-Western Campus
Kutztown University of Pennsylvania	Suffolk University
Lafayette College	SUNY at Purchase College
Long Island University - Post	SUNY Buffalo State
Lynn University	SUNY College at Geneseo

SUNY College at Old Westbury
SUNY College at Oswego
SUNY College of Technology at Delhi
SUNY Cortland
SUNY Maritime College
SUNY Morrisville
SUNY Oneonta
Syracuse University
Temple University
The City University of New York - CUNY
The College of Saint Rose
The George Washington University
The University of Tampa
The University of Texas at Austin
Towson University
United States Air Force Academy
United States Military Academy
University at Albany, SUNY
University at Buffalo
University of Akron Main Campus
University of Central Florida
University of Connecticut
University of Delaware
University of Florida
University of Georgia
University of Hartford
University of Maryland-Baltimore County
University of Maryland-College Park
University of Mississippi
University of Scranton
University of South Carolina-Columbia
University of St Andrews
Utica University
Villanova University
Virginia Tech