

Walnut Grove Secondary School

School Profile

2022-2023



Student Population: 2093

Graduation Information

- 425 graduates
- Ceremony – June 2023
- Date of Graduation – June 30, 2023
- Graduation Rate: 96.6%

Overview

- Grades 8-12, founded in 1991
- Comprehensive academic public school
- Langley, British Columbia; 30 miles outside Vancouver
- Extensive extracurricular program: theatre, music, clubs and athletics

Annual Budget: \$13.7 million

Timetable

- Semesters (September to Jan- Feb-June)
- 4 course rotational block system per semester
- (3) 70 min classes & (1) 110 block per day
- Eight courses per year

Unique Programs

- French Immersion – Gr. 8-12 (348 students)
- Honours Courses – Gr. 8-10: English, Science, and Mathematics
- Advanced Placement – (80 Students)
- International Program – Gr. 8-12 (180 students)
- Gator Pod – Gr. 8 (51 students)
- EDGE Academy – Gr. 11 (72 students)
- Languages: French, Spanish,
- Professional Cook 1 Program with VCC
- Optional educational travel experiences to various national and international locations

Advanced Placement Program

- AP Capstone Certification or Diploma
- 14 Courses: Biology, Calculus AB, Capstone Seminar, Capstone Research, Chemistry, Computer Science Principles, English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, French, Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, Physics 1, Psychology, and Statistics
- AP Capstone Diploma requirements: AP Seminar and Research plus four additional AP Courses and exams

Leadership Opportunities

- GQ Ambassadors
- Leadership in Athletics
- Student Council
- Over 40 clubs e.g. *Humanitarian Club, Me2We, Environmental Club, Leo Club, Robotics Club, Debate Club, Relay for Life, Gator Leadership, Pride Club, and Young Entrepreneurs Club*

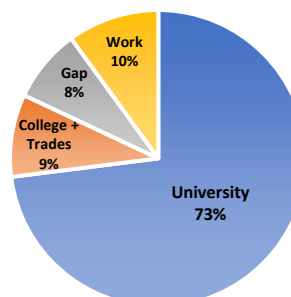
Athletics

- WGSS teams have won provincial titles, over the past six years in:
 - Senior Basketball (M) (2013, 2017)
 - Junior Track and Field (2018)
 - Senior Golf (2017, 2018)
 - Senior Cross-Country (F) (2018)
- WGSS has won over 106 regional titles over the last 20 years
- WGSS offers the following sports as extra-curricular teams and clubs:
 - Basketball
 - Cross Country
 - Curling
 - Golf
 - Gymnastics
 - Mountain Biking
 - Rugby
 - Soccer
 - Softball
 - Swimming
 - Track and Field
 - Ultimate Frisbee
 - Volleyball

Arts Education

- Annual large scale Broadway musical productions, with 100+ students in the cast
- Annual Pit Orchestra of 25+ student musicians
- Award winning music department: Jazz Band, Concert Band, Strings Orchestra, Concert Choir, Jazz Choir, Chamber Choir
- Theatre: Student written, directed and performed plays
- Josten's Lookbook Award for Yearbook spread-design (2014 & 2019); various honorable mentions
- Winners of various Photography contests
- Award winning Art Department with an annual week long 100+ piece Senior Art Show, which includes visual art, ceramics, and photography submissions

Post-Secondary



BC GRADING SYSTEM (Grade 8-12)

British Columbia's grading system and graduation requirements may also need explanation.

Letter Grade		Percent	GPA	Achievement
A	=	86 – 100%	4.0	Excellent Performance
B	=	73 – 85%	3.0	Very Good Performance
C+	=	67 – 72%	2.5	Good Performance
C	=	60 – 65%	2.0	Satisfactory Performance
C-	=	50 – 59%	1.0	Minimally Acceptable Performance (Pass)
I	=	<50%		Incomplete
F	=	<50%		Fail

STUDENT RANKING

WGSS does not calculate student GPAs or rank our Grade 12 students

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Required Courses:

	Credits
Language Arts 10, 11, 12	12
A Mathematics 10, and a Mathematics 11 or 12	8
Social Studies 10 and a Social Studies 11 or 12	8
Science 10 and a Science 11 or 12	8
Physical and Health Education 10	4
Arts Education or Applied Design, Skills & Technologies 10, 11 or 12	4
Career Education (including a Capstone Project in Gr. 12)	8
Total	52

Elective Courses

3 Grade 12 level courses	12
4 Additional grade 10 – 12 courses	16
Total	28

Overall Total

80

Most students graduate with 92 – 96 credits

UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS

Admission averages for students planning to enter one of BC's three major public universities (University of British Columbia, Simon Fraser University, and University of Victoria) are calculated as a percentage using final marks in ELA 12 plus 4-5 Grade 12 courses. Minimum admission averages are generally over 80%.

Although this is a brief summation, we trust this will provide enough information to support this student's application to your institution.

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