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2023-24 West Potomac High School

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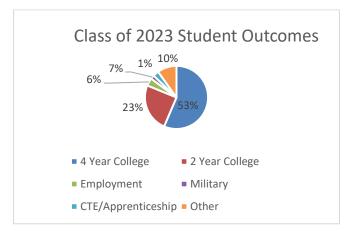
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ADVANCED PLACEMENT: Advanced Placement courses are indicated by the designation (AP) preceding the course title on the transcript. AP courses are weighted with an additional 1.0 quality point. WPHS offers the following advanced placement courses for 11th and 12th grade students: 2-D Art and Design, African American Studies, Art History, Biology, Pre-Calculus, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Chemistry, Comparative Government & Politics, Computer Science A, Computer Science Principles, Drawing, Government, English Language, English Literature, Environmental Science, European History, French Language, German Language, Human Geography, Latin, Macro/Microeconomics, Music Theory, Physics 1, Physics C M, Psychology, Spanish Language, Statistics, U.S. History, and World History are available to 10th grade students.

DUAL ENROLLMENT COURSES: Dual Enrollment classes, designated with a DE (except for Multivariable Calculus/Linear Algebra – DE with George Mason) after their title are semester-long classes approved for high school credit as well as college credit through the Northern Virginia Community College system. **DE courses are weighted with an additional 1.0 quality point.** They are English 11, English 12, US/VA Government, US/VA History and Entrepreneurship. Other Dual Enrollment options are available through FCPS Academy and online campus programs.

HONORS COURSES: All Honors (HN) courses are weighted with an additional 0.5 quality points. The Honors courses offered are: English 9,10,11,12, Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2, Biology, Chemistry, Geosystems, World History and Geography 1 & 2, VA &

US History, and VA US Government, French 4 & 5, German 4, Latin 4, Spanish 4 & 5, Spanish for Career Applications, Economics & Personal Finance, Entrepreneurship 1 & 2, Advanced Band, Advanced Orchestra, Advanced Chorus, Theatre Arts 4, Technical Theatre 4, STEM Adv. Electronics & Robotics, STEM Engineering, and STEM Adv. Engineering.

Six high school academies offer technical and specialized courses not found at all high schools. Career and Technical Education (CTE), fine arts, and world languages courses are accessed by students from all high schools. CTE courses offer numerous credentialing opportunities for students who pass industry certification exams.

The scores below represent the global, national and state averages for public school students in the class of 2022. The FCPS score averages are reflective of an additional analysis that is inclusive of those students in the class of 2022 who were enrolled in June of 2022.

Achievement - Mean SAT Scores						
		2022				
	Critica	al Reading		<u>Math</u>		
WPHS		568		541		
State		572		552		
National		529		521		
Achievement - Mean ACT Scores						
		2022				
	Composite	<u>English</u>	Reading	<u>Math</u>	<u>Science</u>	
WPHS	26.3	26.7	27.3	24.7	26.1	
State	24.6	24.6	25.7	23.5	24.3	
National	19.8	19.0	20.4	19.3	19.9	

SAT and ACT statistics provided by College Boards and ACT respectively. The scores above represent national and state averages for public school students in the Class of 2022.

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Mission Statement – Fairfax County Public School inspires and empowers students to meet high academic standards, lead healthy, ethical lives, and be responsible and innovative global citizens.

Community

FCPS is one of the largest school divisions in the nation with more than 179,900 students attending 199 schools and centers. FCPS students come from countries around the world and speak more than 180 different languages. During the 2022-23 school year, approximately 37.0 percent of FCPS students identified themselves as White; 28 percent Hispanic; 19 percent Asian; 10 percent Black, and 6 percent identified as multi-racial or other.

Approximately 20 percent of FCPS students are projected to receive services for English learners (EL). Approximately 16.6 percent are projected to receive special education services. Nearly 32 percent of all FCPS students are eligible for the Federal Free and Reduced-Price Meals Program (FRM).

FCPS is located in Fairfax County, Virginia, the most populous jurisdiction in Virginia and the metropolitan Washington, D.C. area, with more than one million residents. Over 63 percent of Fairfax County's population has a bachelor's degree.

West Potomac is located near the Potomac River between Mt. Vernon and the city of Alexandria and opened in 1985 combining two existing schools.

2023-24 Information as of 08/2023

Enrollment: 2678 Seniors: 644

Demographic:

Asian 5.7% Black 14.9% Hispanic 42.6% White: 32.3% Other: 4.7%

Free/Reduce Lunch: 46.8%

The web address of the **FCPS** district postsecondary profile can be found at https://www.fcps.edu/about-fcps/postsecondary-profile

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https://westpotomachs.fcps.edu/ and https://www.fcps.edu/about-fcps/performance-and-accountability/fcps-postsecondary-profile

The web address of the **West Potomac High School Course Catalog** can be found at:

https://insys.fcps.edu/CourseCatOnline/frontPanel/518/nocourselist/0/0/1:title=Home

Grading Policy Changes Affecting the 2020-21 School Year.

To provide increased flexibility to students and ensure they were not penalized by the challenges of distance learning, FCPS made the following changes to the high school grading policy for the 2020-21 school year only. These changes were announced in March of 2021. They included:

-Use of No Mark (NM) instead of F grades for all courses. No credit was awarded, and the course was not factored into the student's grade point average (GPA).

-Students/families could choose a mark of "P" (pass) instead of passing letter grades as their final mark in up to two current high school courses. Students had the opportunity to choose this through fourth quarter. This flexibility is in addition to the allowances for designating courses as pass/fail at the beginning of the school year. Therefore, a student's transcript may include more marks of "P" than typically seen on an FCPS transcript.

Additional information can be found on the Secondary Grading and Reporting website at_https://www.fcps.edu/academics/grading-and-reporting/secondary.

Disclosure of Student Disciplinary Infractions

It is the student's responsibility to disclose discipline infractions to postsecondary institutions. FCPS does not disclose students' disciplinary information without express written consent from the parent or guardian or eligible student

FCPS graduation requirements align to those of the Virginia Board of Education and may be found at the link below:

https://www.fcps.edu/academics/graduation-requirements-and-course-planning

Grading System

Grade point average (GPA) is calculated on the basis of all high school courses for which credit has been earned, attempted, and previously awarded. High School courses taken in middle school may be expunged from the high school transcript. The parent must submit a request within nine weeks of his/her child entering an FCPS high school. **Fairfax County Public Schools Do Not rank students*

A (93-100) = 3.8 - 4.0 A- (90-92) = 3.4 - 3.7 B+ (87-89) = 3.1 - 3.3 B (83-86) = 2.8 - 3.0 B- (80-82) = 2.4 - 2.7 C+ (77-79) = 2.1 - 2.3 C (73-76) = 1.8 - 2.0 C- (70-72) = 1.4 - 1.7 D+ (67-69) = 1.1 - 1.3 D (64-66) = 0.8 - 1.0 F (below 64) = 0 - 0.7

P = Pass WP= Withdrawal Pass WF = Withdrawal Fail T = Audit (No Credit) NM= No Mark (No Credit)