

# WOOD RIVER HIGH SCHOOL

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**Wood River High School | CEEB code: 130270**

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## School

WRHS is a comprehensive, four-year, public high school enrolling students in grades 9-12. WRHS is accredited by the Northwest Association of Secondary Schools. The total number of students is 1012, with 249 freshmen, 252 sophomores, 249 juniors, and 236 seniors. WRHS offers more than 55 activities and sports; some open to all and others require tryouts, elections, and etc. The student population is 48% Caucasian, 44% Hispanic, and 8% other. 24% of students are Limited English proficient. In 2020-2021, 33% of students in the district received free or reduced lunch.

## Community

The Blaine County School District serves the educational needs of 2,850 students residing in a rural setting, spanning 2661 miles. Students from Sun Valley, Ketchum, Hailey, Bellevue, and Carey attend any of BCSD's three elementary schools (K-5), one PK-8 school, one middle school (6-8), one traditional high school (9-12), one alternative high school (9-12), and one PK-12 school. Located in a recreation, resort, and ranching community of 24,766 (2021) people, the district enjoys a diversified economic base. Median household income is \$78,962 (2023). Sun Valley Resort is the largest employer in the county (hospitality and leisure).

## Schedule

**2021-2024:** In 2021(to current) the academic program transitioned to a trimester system, with five 70-minute class periods a day. Students earn one credit per class, per trimester, for a total of 15 credits in a year. Two trimesters equate to a full year of course instruction for academic core courses. Exceptions include many electives and CTE courses in which one trimester is the full course.

**2020-2021:** During the pandemic, the academic program was a 4x4 quarter system, with four 85-minute class periods a day to accommodate a hybrid, asynchronous learning environment. Students earned one credit per class, per quarter, for a total of 16 credits in a year. Each quarter equated to a full semester of course instruction, two quarters equated to a full year of course instruction.

## Grading and Ranking

A—90 to 100 (4.0 GPA)

B—80 to 89 (3.0 GPA)

C—70-79 (2.0 GPA)

D—60-69 (1.0 GPA)

F—0 to 59 (0 GPA)

W= Withdraw

P= Pass

NC= No Credit (due to attendance)

I = Incomplete

**Unweighted GPA:** GPA is computed using standard 4-pt scale quality points:

A = 4, B = 3, C = 2, D = 1, F = 0.

**Weighted GPA:** One quality point is added to each grade in Advanced Placement courses only:

A = 5; B = 4; C = 3; D = 2; F = 0

**Ranking:** WRHS does NOT rank students. Student academic achievement is recognized during graduation using the Laude System:

Summa Cum Laude ("with highest honor") – 4.0 +

Magna Cum Laude ("with great honor") – 3.8 – 3.99

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Cum Laude ("with honor") – 3.5 – 3.79

### Projected 2023 Graduate GPAs:

4.0+ = 10%  
3.75-3.99 = 14%  
3.5-3.74 = 16%  
3.0-3.49 = 25%  
2.5-2.99 = 17%  
2.0-2.49 = 7%  
1.5-1.99 = 5%  
<1.5 = 4%

## Curriculum

### Graduation Requirements, 54 credits comprised of:

English: 8 Math: 6 Science: 6 World History: 2 US History: 2 American Gov: 2  
Economics: 1 World Language: 2 Art: 2 Speech: 1 PE: 2 Health: 1 CTE: 2  
Computer Apps: 1 Personal Project\*: 1 Electives: 15

*\*Personal Project meets the state's Senior Project requirement. WRHS' model is robust and includes independent research, interviewing, the project, a reflection paper, and a community presentation, all of which are graded by a teacher panel.*

**Academic Rigor:** In comparison to other college bound students at WRHS, the academic rigor of our student's courses can be rated as:

"Most Demanding"	- 10+ AP and/or DC courses
"Very Demanding"	- 8-9 AP and/or DC courses
"Demanding"	- 6-7 AP and/or DC courses
"Standard"	- 3-5 AP and/or DC courses
"Weak"	- 0-2 AP and/or DC courses

**AP Classes:** AP classes are open enrollment. WRHS offers 17 AP courses each year. It is unusual for sophomores to attempt AP courses. In these circumstances WRHS only allow sophomores to take Human Geography, US History, Spanish Lang, and Computer Science Principles.

**AP courses offered:** Biology (every other year), Calculus AB\*, Calculus BC, Computer Science Principles, English Lang & Composition, English Literature\*, Environmental Science (every other year), American Government, Human Geography, Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, Physics I, Physics II, Psychology, Spanish Lang, Statistics\*, Studio Art, and US History.

*\*See below - AP/DC Co-Branded Course*

**AP Results:** In May 2022, 445 took AP Exams, 66% of the AP testers received scores of 3 or higher

**Dual Credit:** Dual credit courses are open enrollment as long as the student meets the college's requirements - 16 years of age, 2.5+ overall GPA. WRHS offers 13 dual credit courses, eight academic core courses and five technical education courses. As of 2023-24, all in-house dual credit courses are offered with the College of Southern Idaho.

**DC courses offered at WRHS:** courses taught in-person by a college-approved high school teacher.

Anatomy & Physiology for Health Professions, Calculus 1, College Algebra, Financial Planning, Information Science, Intro to Allied Health, Introduction to Chemistry, Literature and Ideas, Medical Terminology, Pre-Calculus, Statistical Reasoning, Writing & Rhetoric I, Writing & Rhetoric II

**DC courses offered online:** courses taught online, offered directly by the college, and navigated by the student outside of high school class time. Course selection varies by student.

**Co-Branded (AP/DC) Courses:** WRHS offers three AP/DC courses in which a student chooses to pursue college

credit or AP designation for the course, not both. The course curriculum follows AP as well as college-course requirements. Co-branded courses are:

- AP Statistics (or DC Statistical Reasoning, MATH 153)
- AP Calculus AB (or DC Calculus 1, MATH 170)
- AP Literature (or DC Literature & Ideas, ENGL 175)

**Honors Classes:** WRHS offers four Honors classes in math and English - Honors Geometry, Honors Algebra II, Honors English 9, Honors English 10. Highly motivated students are encouraged by teachers to pursue Honors Math courses. Students are able to earn the Honors English designation if they fulfill specific, additional requirements within the standard English course.

**CTE Courses:** WRHS offers six CTE (Career & Technical Education) pathways. Students may explore singular courses or pursue a capstone project after completing a minimum of three content-specific CTE courses. CTE pathways include:

- Architecture/Engineering
- Business, Finance, Media
- Family and Consumer Science
- Health Professions
- Information Technology
- Residential Construction

### Testing

As a Blaine County School District graduation requirement, all students are required to take the SAT or ACT college entrance exam. BCSD offers the SAT to all junior students. The class of 2023 had an average score of 967/1600 (ERW: 488, Math 479). The class of 2024 has an average score of 975/1600 (ERW: 494, Math 481). Scoring ranges from:

1500-1600	1 student
1400-1499	4 students
1300-1399	16 students
1200-1299	16 students
1100-1199	23 students
1000-1099	33 students
<1000	124 students

### Class of 2023 - Post High School Plans & Info

- 71% overall plan to attend college or trade school
- 48% plan to attend 4-yr colleges directly after high school
- 23% plan to attend 2-yr colleges and/or trade schools
- 66% of those planning to go to college plan to attend school in-state
- 2% join the military
- 5% plan to take a gap year
- 19% plan to work, travel, or go on a mission

- 44% are 1st Generation
- 12% graduated Summa Cum Laude
- 14% graduated Magna Cum Laude
- 17% graduated Cum Laude
- 11% graduated from BCSD Dual Immersion Program
- 24% graduated with an Idaho State Seal of Biliteracy (Spanish & French)
- 1% (3 total) National Merit Commended Scholars
- 11% National Honor Society Students

### Colleges Attended by WRHS Graduates Since 2019:

Alabama, University of	College of Western Idaho	Lewis-Clark State College	Princeton University	Syracuse University
Arizona State University	Colorado School of Mines	Linfield College	Puget Sound, University of	Transylvania University
Arizona, University of	Colorado State University	Loyola Marymount University	Purdue University	Treasure Valley Community College
Barnard College	Colorado-Boulder, University of	Maryland Baltimore County, University of	Reed College	United State Merchant Marines Academy
Boise State University	Columbia University	Middlebury College	Ringling College of the Arts	United States Airforce Academy
Boston College,	Connecticut College	Montana State University	San Diego State University	Utah State University
Bowdoin College	Dartmouth College	Montana Technological University	San Diego, University of	Utah, University of
Brigham Young University-Hawaii	Delaware State University	Nevada Reno, University of	Santa Barbara City College	Vanderbilt University
Brigham Young University-Idaho	Denver, University of	New England, University of	Santa Clara University	Washington, University of
Cal Poly SLO	Fordham University	North Idaho College	Savannah School of Art & Design	Wesleyan University
California-Irvine, University of	Fort Lewis College	Northwest University	Seattle University	Western Washington University
California-Los Angeles, University of	Hamilton College	Orange Coast College	Soka University	Whitman College
California-Santa Barbara, University of	Harvard	Oregon State University	Southern California, University of	Williams College
Central Oregon Community College	Idaho State University	Oregon, University of	St Lawrence University	Wisconsin-Madison, University of
Chapman University	Idaho, University of	Pennsylvania State University	St Norbert College	Wyoming, University of
Chicago, University of	Johnson & Whales University Culinary	Pennsylvania, University of	Stanford University	
College of Idaho	Lehigh University	Point Loma	Sun Valley Culinary Institution	
College of Southern Idaho	Lesley College	Portland State University	Sweet Briar College	

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