

# Four-Year Course Map & Graduation Requirements

9th Grade Year

10th Grade Year

11th Grade Year

12th Grade Year

## English

English courses place first priority on the development of clear, effective exposition, with each grade advancing the levels and expectations of excellence in written prose. The literature in the curriculum draws from a wide variety of genres and voices, with particular emphasis on works originally written in the English language.

Four-year core sequence required

Literary Foundations

British Literature

American Voices in Literature

Trimester Electives\*

American Writers & Research

and/or AP English Literature and Composition

plus One Additional Trimester Elective\*

## History & Social Studies

At least one year each of United States history and European history/Western Civilizations is required. The curriculum strives to instill a broad knowledge and appreciation of history, heritage, and culture, and to foster an enthusiasm for learning through self-exploration and study.

Three years required

Historical Writing/Civics  
and

Western Civilizations or  
AP European History

U.S. History or  
AP U.S. History or

AP U.S. Government and Politics or

20th Century World History

Trimester Electives\*

AP Economics or

Trimester Electives\*

## Mathematics

Students are required to complete three years of mathematics during their Upper School career, including one year each of algebra I, geometry, and algebra II. Electives include math modeling, precalculus, AP calculus AB and BC, and AP statistics.

Three years required; computer science offered as an elective

Algebra I



Geometry or  
Honors Geometry



Algebra II or  
Honors Algebra II



Math Modeling

Geometry or  
Honors Geometry



Algebra II or  
Honors Algebra II



Math Modeling



Pre-Calculus/Analysis

Honors Algebra II



Pre-Calculus/Analysis



AP Statistics



AP Statistics

Pre-Calculus/Analysis



AP Calculus AB

AP Calculus AB



AP Calculus BC

AP Computer Science

AP Computer Science or  
Computer Science

## Science

The science department strives to improve problem solving, critical thinking, laboratory skills, and overall student scientific literacy. The sequence of science courses is designed to allow each student to graduate with a solid background in the required courses of biology, physics, and chemistry. Electives include anatomy and forensics, astronomy, and a full-year science research course.

Biology, chemistry and physics required

Biology

Physics or

Chemistry or

AP Chemistry

AP Physics I

AP Physics 2

AP Physics 2

AP Biology

Chemistry

Advanced Biology

AP Biology

Advanced Biology  
Science Research  
Astronomy/Astronautics

\*Please see complete list of trimester electives on prior page.

## World Languages

The world language department believes that the study of languages is essential for 21st century global citizens. Learning a new language expands our view of the world and instills a greater appreciation and respect for people of different cultures. In addition, it deepens our understanding of the structure and mechanics of all languages, including practical skills that can be used in other disciplines. An important departmental goal is to develop listening, reading, writing, and speaking skills through a communicative approach in the target language.

Completion of  
300 level required

### CWA's French Sequence

French 100  
French 200  
French 300  
French 400  
AP French

### CWA's Japanese Sequence

Japanese 100  
Japanese 200  
Japanese 300  
Advanced Japanese

### CWA's Spanish Sequence

Spanish 100  
Spanish 200 or Honors Spanish 200  
Spanish 300 or Honors Spanish 300  
Advanced Spanish Topics  
AP Spanish Language  
Advanced Hispanic Literature and Culture

## Performing Arts

The performing arts department encompasses choral, dramatic, and instrumental talents. Students are encouraged to participate throughout their Upper School careers to achieve deep learning and appreciation for musical and theatrical arts. Courses are performance based, and participation provides Upper School students the opportunity to be a part of an ensemble. Theater students put on one play each in fall and winter, and in the spring they write, direct, and perform one-acts. Students in choir, band, and orchestra perform regularly at events on campus and compete in WIAA contests.

One year required  
\* = Single trimester course

Technical Theater  
Technical Theater Design/Portfolio\*  
Improvisation and the Theater\*  
Monologues and Scene Study\*  
Sketch Comedy\*  
Musical Theater\*

Charles Wright Choir  
Academy Singers  
*Requires audition*  
String Orchestra  
Rock Orchestra\*

Symphonic Band  
Jazz Ensemble  
Guitar\*  
Choral Lab Ensemble  
Modern Music Ensemble\*

## Visual Arts

The visual arts department teaches the principles of art using different media and a variety of interesting and challenging lesson plans. The kinds of problems students tackle in the arts are abstract, and solving them builds capabilities that transfer to other subjects. Not only does the CWA art program develop students' inherent talents, but also it gives them a background and appreciation of the arts that lasts for a lifetime.

One year required  
\* = Single trimester course

Advanced Studio Art  
Painting and Drawing  
Ceramics  
Yearbook

Digital Photography I & II\*  
Color Theory & Practice\*  
Monoprint: Intro to Printmaking\*

Letterpress & Relief Printing\*  
Silk Screening\*

## Athletics/ Fitness

The athletic/fitness program provides students the opportunity to participate on competitive sports teams, as well as in fitness classes, and teaches the importance of lifelong fitness and a healthy lifestyle. Our goal is to ensure that individuals and teams will not only be competitive, but also that every team will strive for excellence and every athlete will work to achieve their personal best. CWA athletes compete in the Nisqually League 1A through the Washington State Interscholastic Athletics Association (WIAA).

6 credits/units required

Football  
Volleyball  
Cross-Country  
Soccer  
Basketball

Baseball  
Golf  
Tennis  
Track And Field  
Ultimate (Club Level)

**Noncompetitive offerings:**  
Weight Training  
Hiking

## Service Learning

The Service Learning curriculum focuses on stewardship. CWA students take responsibility for their impact on the world around them, work to make their communities better places, take action for the welfare of others, care for their own health, energy and well-being, and are driven by a vision for change. Students have opportunities to participate in hands-on experiences such as trail maintenance, farming for local food banks, replanting native foliage at local parks, and food repacking with Emergency Food Network.

8 hours/year required: 4 hours on campus, 4 hours off campus