

# Four-Year Course Map & Graduation Requirements

9th Grade Year

10th Grade Year

11th Grade Year

12th Grade Year

## English

Four-year core sequence required

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.

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\*

Humanities Capstone

## History & Social Studies

Three years required

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.

Historical Writing/  
Washington State History

Western Civilizations or  
AP European History

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

Comparative  
Government or

and

20th Century World History

Trimester Electives\*

AP Economics or

Humanities Capstone

Trimester Electives\*

## Mathematics

Three years required; computer science offered as an elective

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.

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 Calculus AB



AP Statistics

AP Calculus AB

AP Calculus BC

AP Computer Science | AP Computer Science

## Science

Biology, chemistry and physics required

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

Physics or  
AP Physics I

Chemistry or  
AP Physics 2  
AP Biology  
Environmental Science

AP Chemistry  
AP Physics 2  
Chemistry  
AP Biology  
Science Research  
Environmental Science

\*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  
Advanced 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

## 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  
Improvisation  
Monologues and Scene Study\*  
Sketch Comedy

Short Form Improvisation\*  
Theatrical Production\*  
Concert Choir\*

Academy Singers  
*Requires audition*  
String Orchestra  
Symphonic Band

## 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/Drawing/Illustration  
Ceramics  
Advanced Ceramics

Yearbook  
Digital Photography I & II\*  
Monoprint: Intro to Printmaking\*  
Letterpress & Relief Printing\*

Silk Screening\*  
Graphic Design\*  
Stained Glass and Mosaic\*  
Public Art\*

## 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/Fitness  
Yoga

## 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.

6-8 hours/year required: 3-4 hours on campus, 3-4 hours off campus