

WCDS BY THE NUMBERS

429

Total enrollment
Pre-K through 12

59

Teaching faculty

51%

Teaching faculty with
advanced degrees

18

Average number of years
teaching experience

92%

Classes with 18 or
fewer students

182

AP exams taken in 2017-2018

74%

Earned 3 or higher on an
AP exam in 2017-2018

41%

Earned 4 or higher on an
AP exam in 2017-2018

100%

2018 graduates offered
admission to four-year colleges
and universities

For a list of college acceptances
for the past three years, visit
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PROFILE 2018-2019

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ABOUT WCDS

Westchester Country Day School is an independent, nonsectarian, college preparatory school founded in 1967 and serving the Piedmont of North Carolina. Located on a 53-acre campus in Davidson County, WCDS opened the 2018-2019 school year with a total enrollment of 429 students in grades Pre-K through 12 (131 students in grades 9-12, with a senior class of 40). Minority students comprise approximately 19% of the total student body. Approximately 43% of the total student body receives tuition assistance.

MISSION

Westchester Country Day School is a college preparatory school that seeks to educate each child toward moral, academic, artistic, and athletic excellence in a nurturing, family environment where students, teachers, and parents support one another. By respecting the student and honoring learning, Westchester aims to cultivate informed citizens who are ready for a rapidly changing world and to graduate students who view the pursuit and wise use of knowledge as a lifelong joy.

ACCREDITATION AND ASSOCIATIONS

Dually accredited by the Southern Association of Independent Schools and AdvancED, WCDS also holds memberships in the following organizations: National Association of Independent Schools, North Carolina Association of Independent Schools, College Entrance Examination Board, Educational Records Bureau, Council for Advancement and Support of Education, National Honor Society, North Carolina Association for Middle Level Education, North Carolina Independent School Athletic Association, and Triad Association of Non-Public Schools.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

WCDS operates on a semester system with a rotating schedule. Students typically enroll in six courses that each meet four times per week. To receive a diploma from WCDS, a student must earn a total of at least 21 credits in grades 9 through 12 and complete a senior capstone project involving research, public speaking, and service or an internship.

CLASS RANK, GRADE POINT SYSTEM

WCDS does not rank its students. Westchester GPAs are calculated using a weighted system on a 4.0 scale. An unweighted GPA is available upon request. Courses designated by * on the student's transcript receive one additional quality point. All AP courses, designated by ** on the student's transcript, carry two additional quality points. Only courses taken at WCDS, including online courses through approved providers, are used in the computation of a Westchester GPA.

HONORS, ADVANCED, AND AP COURSES

All core academic courses are designated Honors to reflect accurately the rigor of the WCDS curriculum. Courses listed with an asterisk (*) on the transcript are taught at an advanced level and require both a volume of work and a level of understanding beyond that expected in our Honors level courses. AP courses are designated with two asterisks (**) on the transcript and follow the curriculum prescribed by College Board. Students taking AP courses must take corresponding AP exams in May. Students are selected for both Advanced and AP courses based on teacher recommendations, test scores, and past performance.

Grading Scale

Letter Grade	Range	Grade Point
A+	98 – 100	4.00
A	93 – 97	4.00
A-	90 – 92	3.75
B+	87 – 89	3.50
B	83 – 86	3.00
B-	80 – 82	2.75
C+	77 – 79	2.50
C	73 – 76	2.00
C-	70 – 72	1.75
D+	67 – 69	1.50
D	63 – 66	1.00
D-	60 – 62	0.75
F	Below 60	0.00

Information Specific to the Class of 2019 (through July 2018)

Middle 50% of Weighted GPAs: 3.68 - 4.40

PSAT	EBRW	Math	Total
Middle 50%	540 - 620	500 - 610	1070 - 1230

SAT	EBRW	Math	Total
Middle 50%	570 - 650	525 - 635	1105 - 1270

ACT	English	Math	Reading	Science	Composite
Middle 50%	22 - 30	20 - 26	22 - 30	21 - 26	21 - 27

Upper School Course Offerings 2018-2019

Standard courses for each grade level are underlined. Graduation credit requirements for each department are in parentheses in the left column. Credit recommendations are italicized beneath these requirements. In general, 9th and 10th graders are limited to 1 AP course; 11th and 12th graders may take up to 3 (or 4 with special approval).

Subject	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
English (4 credits - English required every year)	<u>English 9 Honors</u>	<u>British Literature Honors</u> Advanced Humanities	<u>American Literature Honors</u> AP English Language	<u>World Literature Honors</u> AP English Literature
Mathematics (4 credits, including Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2, and either Functions & Modeling or Pre-Calculus - math required every year)	<u>Algebra 1 Honors</u> <u>Geometry Honors</u>	<u>Geometry Honors</u> <u>Algebra 2 Honors</u>	<u>Algebra 2 Honors</u> <u>Functions & Modeling Honors</u> Advanced Pre-Calculus AP Statistics	Personal Finance (.5 credit) Functions & Modeling Honors Statistics Honors <u>Advanced Pre-Calculus</u> AP Statistics AP Calculus AB
Social Studies (3.5 credits, including Government, Geography & Economics or AP Human Geography, World History, and US History) <i>4 years of social studies</i>	<u>US Government Honors</u> (.5 credit) <u>Geography & Economics Honors</u> AP Human Geography	<u>World History Honors</u> AP World History	<u>US History Honors</u> AP US History AP Art History AP Psychology	Innovation & Entrepreneurship (.5 credit) Civil Liberties (.5 credit) Global Conflicts in the Modern Era (.5 credit) AP Art History AP European History AP Psychology
Natural & Life Sciences (3 credits, including Biology and Chemistry) <i>4 years of science</i>	<u>Biology Honors</u>	<u>Experimental Physics Honors</u> <u>Chemistry Honors</u>	<u>Chemistry Honors</u> <u>Experimental Physics Honors</u> Advanced Engineering AP Biology (2 credits) AP Chemistry (2 credits) AP Physics 1	
Modern Languages (2 consecutive credits of one language) <i>4 years of a modern language</i>	<u>Mandarin 2 Honors</u> <u>Spanish 1, 2 Honors</u>	Advanced Mandarin 3, 4 Advanced Spanish 3, 4	AP Chinese Language & Culture AP Spanish Language & Culture	
Physical Education (.5 credit for Health; PE requirement)	<u>Health</u> (.5 credit)	Exercise Science		
	Participation in one or more seasons of JV or Varsity team membership at Westchester; or comparable time dedicated to community athletic programs or disciplines not offered at WCDS; or enrollment in Exercise Science			
Fine Arts (1 credit)	Art 1, Art 2, Art 3, Advanced Art, AP Studio Art, Play Production, Production Design, Vocal Ensemble, Contemporary Music Ensemble, Film & Media Production, Digital Photography (.5 credit), Introduction to Design (.5 credit), and Yearbook			
Electives (3 credits) At least one must be an additional unit of English, math, social studies, science or foreign language	Fine Arts courses in excess of the required credit; Computer Science (.5 credit), AP Computer Science (online), Technology Integration (.5 credit), 3D Design & Printing (.5 credit), Film & Media Production; Exercise Science; additional courses offered within the English, Natural & Life Sciences, Social Studies, Modern Languages, or Mathematics departments; various online courses through approved providers			
Minimum Credits Required for Graduation: 21 <i>Recommended credits for graduation: at least 24</i>	Enrollment in fewer than 6 courses per semester requires approval by the Head of Upper School. Senior Capstone Project required for graduation			