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2023-2024 School Profile

School

Arlington High School serves over 1700 students in grades 9 through 12. We are a Character Strong campus where we challenge our students to be involved, to work hard and to be kind every day! The "new" Arlington High School dedicated on August 30, 2003, replaced the former 1936 structure. The site consists of 243,000 square feet with 70 classrooms, 9 science labs, 2 shops, 2 art rooms, 1 band room, 1 choir room, 4 business computer labs, and a sports medicine classroom/lab. All classrooms have internet access. The school has a separate agriculture building, a Commons, a main gym, and an auxiliary gym. Additionally, our outside recreational area includes four baseball and softball fields, 8 tennis courts, and a state-of-the-art all-purpose covered stadium. The Linda M. Byrnes Performing Arts Center was dedicated in 2007. For 2021-22, voters approved a Capital Improvement project that added 8 additional classrooms in 2022-2023, improved safety and security, and redesigned our administrative area to include a secure vestibule at our main entrance.

Community

Arlington High School is part of Arlington School District No. 16. ASD is a public school district in Snohomish County that serves the city of Arlington. In addition to AHS, there is one alternative high school, one cooperative homeschool, two middle schools, and four elementary schools. Arlington has a population of 20,127 (2021) and is located 15 miles north of Everett and 42 miles north of Seattle. Arlington is a rural community with light industrial and manufacturing businesses located in central portions of the city. Many residents who enjoy the small town atmosphere of Arlington commute to professional positions in nearby larger cities like Everett and Seattle.

Mission Statement

"Inspiring all students to be responsible, productive citizens who embrace lifelong learning."

Curriculum

Beginning with the class of 2021, 24 credits are required for graduation from Arlington High School. One credit equals two semesters or one full year of coursework. One semester equals .5 credits.

Subject area requirements include the following:

English	4.0 credits	Social Studies	3.0 credits
Health/Physical Education	2.0 credits	Fine Arts*	2.0 credits
Career and Tech Education	1.0 credits	Science	3.0 credits
Mathematics	3.0 credits	World Language*	2.0 credits
		Elective	4.0 credits
*Credits can be waived based on personal pathway approved by student, parent, and administration.			24 credits

Earning College Credits in the High School

Advanced Placement (AP) and Honors courses are offered in Calculus AB/BC, Statistics, Environmental Science, Biology, English Language, English Literature, Government, European History, US History, and Computer Science Principles. Students interested in pursuing AP courses should have excellent study habits and are generally required to provide the following: (1) a portfolio of related course work that demonstrates a high level of academic achievement; (2) successful completion of appropriate prerequisites; (3) have prior approval from the Instructor. Additionally, honors courses are offered in English 10, Advanced Geometry, Advanced Algebra II as well as in our Jazz Choir, Jazz Band, and Wind Ensemble options.

College in the High School courses are offered in English Composition, Intro to Literature, Precalculus I & II, Calculus I, Intro to Chemistry, Intro to Geological Science, General Physics I & II, Global Studies, American Government, US History I, II, & III, Western Civilization to 1648, Western Civilization 1648-Present, Student News Media, French II, III, & IV, German II, III, & IV, and Spanish II, III, & IV. Additional college in the high school options include Criminal Justice and Education Careers with our Sno-Isle Skills Center Partner located in the Mukilteo School District. In order to receive college credit, students must enroll in this program through Everett Community College with instructions from the teacher during the semester the course is taught.

CTE – Dual Credit: The Dual Credit program enables qualified students to earn both high school credit and college credit in the following courses: Beginning and Advanced Accounting, Business Math, Microsoft Office, Engineering 2, Human Body Systems, Sports Medicine, and Manufacturing. Arlington High School has a partnership with Everett Community College designed to create programs that help high school students make the most of their high school learning opportunities. There are no costs involved with these courses.

Grading and Ranking

Arlington High School assigns letter grades using a 4.0 system. Class rank and grade point average are calculated at the end of each semester in January and June. Grades for AP classes are not weighted. NC (Noncredit) and P (Passing) grades are excluded from the calculation of GPA.

Class of 2023 GPA Distribution

GPA	# of students	% of class
3.5-4.0	112	28
3.0-3.49	82	20
2.5-2.99	77	19
2.0-2.49	81	20
Less than 2.0	54	13

*Grades through June 2023

Grade	Point Value
A	4.0
A-	3.7
B+	3.3
B	3.0
B-	2.7
C+	2.3
C	2.0
C-	1.7
D+	1.3
D	1.0
F	0.0

Average SAT Scores (SY 2022/2023)	
AHS Mean Score	State Mean Score
SAT ERW 585	ERW 559
SAT Math 563	Math 547
Total Mean Score 1148	Total Mean Score 1106

Average ACT Scores (SY 2022/2023)	
AHS Mean Score	State Mean Score
English 21.3	English 24.3
Math 21.2	Math 23.6
Reading 24.6	Reading 25.6
Science 27	Science 24.3
Composite 23.1	Composite 24.6

Achievements

Academics:

- 2016 Bronze Medal winner, Best High Schools in America by US News and World Report
- WA State Board of Education Achievement Index for overall Proficiency & College and Career Rating is Exemplary
- As of September 2019, 15 National Board Certified Teachers on staff
- Class of 2020: 90 President's Awards for Educational Excellence, 115 Scholarship Award Winners, 1 National Merit Scholar Winner (Boeing Corporate Scholar), 12 Associate Degree Recipients and 50 National Honor Society Members
- Two-time School of Distinction for improvement in reading and math
- Solution Tree "All Things PLC" acknowledged AHS with Evidence of Effectiveness Award 2016
- 2017 National Finalist - First Robotics World Championships, Houston, TX.
- AHS Arts programs are second to none. The state of the art Byrnes Performing Arts Center hosts over 300 events annually. Our instrumental music, choir and drama programs compete at the regional and national levels annually, winning awards regularly. Students routinely place into some of the best college art programs upon graduation. Many of our arts programs are cross-credited with Career and Technical Education, preparing students for careers in the field
- AHS Journalism Program regularly recognized by Balfour Publishing for yearbook quality. The news website and yearbook consistently earn top ratings from Columbia Scholastic Press Association and National Scholastic Press Association. We have the largest student membership in the state for Washington Journalism Education Association
- 2020 NWESD Regional Teacher of the Year and finalist for 2021 WA State Teacher of the Year – ELA Teacher, Mr. Ben Ballew
- 2021 Nationally Ranked and #61 in Best High Schools in America according to the US News & World Report
- In Top 100 HS in WA by niche out of 600 high schools

Athletics:

2022-2023

- Boys Cross Country 3A Wesco North League Champions
- Girls Cross Country 3A Wesco North League Champions
- Boys Cross Country 3A District 1 Champions
- Girls Basketball Wesco League Champions
- Girls Basketball 3A District 1 Champions
- Girls Basketball 3A 5th Place State
- Girls Wrestling 3A North Champions
- Tre Haines 3A State Wrestling Champion 138 lbs
- Girls Track Wesco North League Champions
- Boys Track Wesco North League Champions
- Boys Track District 1 Champions
- Kellen Langford 3A State Champion 800M Run