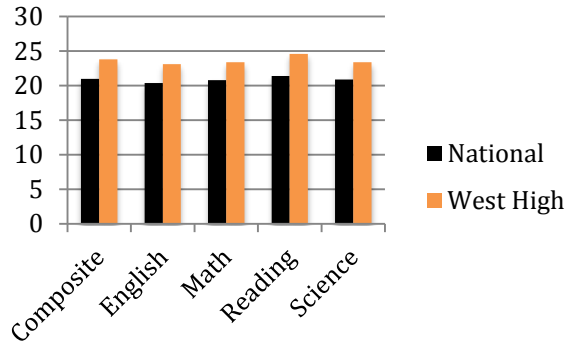
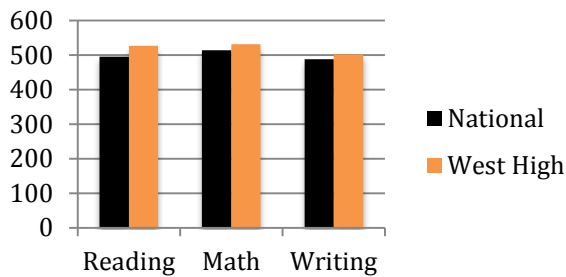


**2016 Placement Tests**

ACT– average mean scores

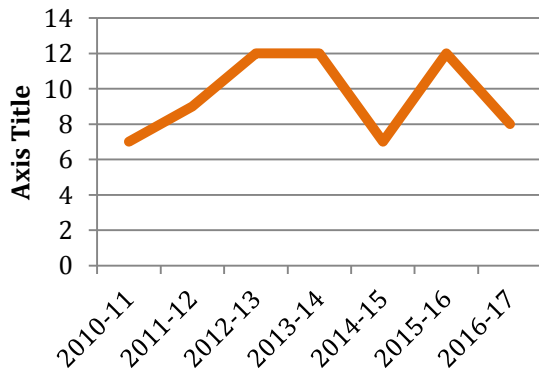


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CEEB code: 020000

National Merit Scholar Semifinalists



Home of the Eagles

**Mission statement**

*The West Anchorage community fosters an environment where students and adults come together cooperatively to strive for academic achievement and social emotional growth. Our diverse community encourages responsibility, honesty and cooperation, empowering students to achieve success today and in the future.*

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West Anchorage High School

Rick Stone, Principal



Established in 1953, West Anchorage High School is proud to be the first of eight four-year comprehensive secondary schools in the Anchorage School District. West Anchorage High School serves an ethnically diverse population of students hailing from Anchorage’s downtown, midtown, west side and Joint Base Elmendorf Richardson. Over 55 languages are spoken by the students who attend WAHS.

## Outstanding Programs

- ◆ International Baccalaureate
- ◆ Highly Gifted
- ◆ School Through the Arts (STTA)
- ◆ Spanish Immersion
- ◆ Russian Immersion
- ◆ Medical Academy (CTE)
- ◆ Engineering/Operator Academy

### The International Baccalaureate Diploma

**Program** is a two-year college preparatory program for students in grades 11-12. It focuses on developing students' critical and creative thinking skills and provides a wide array of academic, social-emotional, and service learning opportunities.

**The Highly Gifted Program** was developed for those select students who require the rigor and depth in core curriculum areas that the Honors program cannot meet. These students are in the top 2% of nationally normed ability and achievement tests with a scholarly GPA.

### Outstanding Features

- ◆ Cook Inlet Tribal Council
- ◆ English as a Second Language
- ◆ S2S Program
- ◆ Ignition Program
- ◆ Pre-IB Course of Study
- ◆ Sports/P.E. C2/S
- ◆ Alaska Junior Air Force ROTC
- ◆ Theatre Program/Auditorium
- ◆ TRIO Educational Talent Search

## World Languages

- ◆ French ◆ Spanish
- ◆ Russian ◆ German

## Immersion Languages

- ◆ Spanish ◆ Russian

## **Advanced Placement (AP)**

### **International Baccalaureate (IB) Highly Gifted (HG) & Honors Classes**

- ◆ AP Calculus AB & AP Calculus BC
- ◆ AP Statistics
- ◆ AP Russian/Spanish/German
- ◆ IB Studio Art
- ◆ AP World History
- ◆ AP U.S. History
- ◆ AP U.S. Government
- ◆ AP Economics
- ◆ IB Literature I & II
- ◆ IB Literature and Performance
- ◆ IB Physics I & II
- ◆ IB Biology I & II
- ◆ IB Chemistry I & II
- ◆ IB Environmental Systems & Societies
- ◆ IB History of the Americas I & II
- ◆ IB Math Standard & Higher Levels
- ◆ IB Mathematics Studies
- ◆ IB Spanish
- ◆ IB German
- ◆ IB French
- ◆ IB Russian
- ◆ IB Music
- ◆ IB Theater I&II
- ◆ IB Visual Arts I&II
- ◆ IB Theory of Knowledge
- ◆ English 1 & 2, Honors Gifted
- ◆ Biology I, Honors Gifted (9th)
- ◆ Ancient Civ./Alaska Studies Gifted (9th)
- ◆ English 1 & 2, Honors Gifted (9<sup>th</sup> & 10)

## Grading Scale

Weighted A= 5 pts. on a 4.0 scale for AP Courses and most IB Courses

|   |                       |     |
|---|-----------------------|-----|
| A | AP Courses.....       | 5.0 |
| A | IB HL Courses.....    | 5.0 |
| A | Superior.....         | 4.0 |
| B | Above Average.....    | 3.0 |
| C | Average.....          | 2.0 |
| D | Below Average.....    | 1.0 |
| F | Failing.....          | 0.0 |
| K | Waiver of P.E. Credit |     |

Class rank and grade point average (GPA) are computed each semester. All courses on a transcript are used to determine rank and GPA. AP Courses and IB Higher Level Courses are assigned an additional mark point with the exception of F.

## 4A Division Athletics

- ◆Baseball ◆Basketball ◆Bowling
- ◆Cheerleading ◆Cross Country Running
- ◆Cross Country Skiing ◆Flag Football
- ◆Football; ◆Gymnastics ◆Ice Hockey
- ◆Riflery ◆Soccer ◆Softball
- ◆Swimming/ Diving ◆Tennis
- ◆Track and Field ◆Volleyball
- ◆Wrestling

## Extracurricular Clubs

West Anchorage High School has approximately 35 student clubs that vary from academic and cultural to those full of dance or drums and of course Laughter Club.

**1,918**  
**9-12 grade enrollment for**  
**2016-2017**