

**A California
Distinguished School**

Awarded a six-year
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Woodside High School

Sequoia Union High School District



2015 - 2016 School Profile

School and Community

Woodside High School is a fully accredited four-year comprehensive secondary school that has been serving the communities of the mid-peninsula since its opening in 1958. The 34-acre campus lies just east of the Santa Cruz Mountains and is one of four comprehensive campuses in the Sequoia Union High School District. The District's total student population is approximately 8,000.

Woodside has approximately 1,800 students (420 seniors) who come from the surrounding communities of Redwood City, Woodside, Portola Valley, and East Palo Alto. Our school community reflects the cultural and socio-economic makeup of California. The mid-peninsula is an area of great economic diversity containing some of the most affluent and the most economically deprived communities in the state. Just north of Silicon Valley and Stanford University, Woodside High School is influenced greatly by the rapidly evolving business and cultural interests of the region. Students follow a rotating block schedule with classes meeting 39 weeks a year and are 95 minutes in length. Most students are enrolled in six classes. The student to teacher ratio is 26:1. Of the certificated staff of 114, forty-five percent have Master's degrees. Woodside teachers mentor student teachers from Stanford University. The Woodside High School challenge is to provide opportunity that matches privilege. Over the past half-century, Woodside High School has emerged as one of the most dynamic and diverse comprehensive high schools on the San Francisco peninsula. We have been listed in *Newsweek Magazine's* list of top high schools, and offer one of the most rigorous advanced placement college preparatory programs in the region.

Ethnic Distribution (as of October 3, 2015) Woodside is a California Distinguished School with a diverse student body.

African American	2%	Pacific Islander	1%
Asian American	4%	Two or more Races	4%
Hispanic	55%	White	34%

Additional information: Free and Reduced School Lunch Program: 40%; English Learners: 14 %

AP/Honors Courses (weighted)

AP Biology	AP Physics	AP European History
AP Calculus AB	AP Statistics	AP Art Studio 2-D
AP Calculus BC	AP Spanish Language	AP United States History
AP Environmental Science	AP Spanish Literature	AP Latin Language
AP Computer Science	AP French Language	AP Mandarin (2017)
AP English Language	AP English Literature	AS Chemistry

Advanced Standing: AS English I, AS English II, Geometry Enriched, Algebra II/Trig, Advanced Biology

College Courses (offered on campus-rotating by semester)

Multivariable Calculus	Discrete Mathematics
Ordinary Differential	Linear Algebra

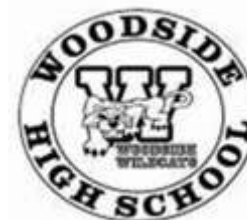
TESTING

Advanced Placement Scores

	Spring '13	Spring '14	Spring '15
Number of students tested	335	333	389
Number of tests	658	587	708
Percentage scoring 3 or higher	79%	59%	67%

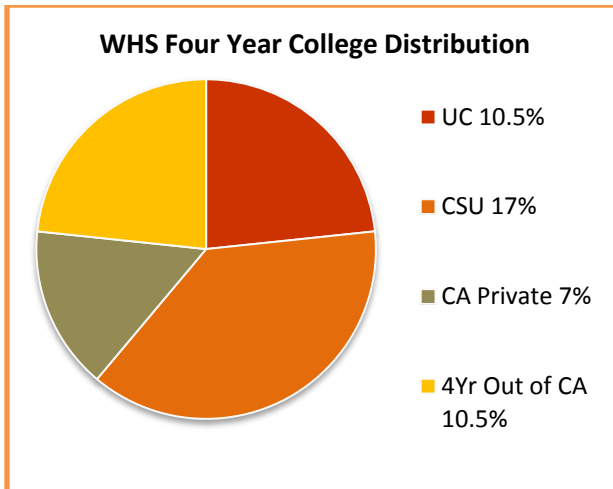
Median SAT Scores

	Spring '13	Spring '14	Spring '15
Critical Reading	514	489	500
Mathematics	520	502	510
Writing	531	500	499



Post High School Plans - Class of 2015

4 year College	45%
2 year College	48%
Specialized Program	7%



National Merit Program

Since 1961 there have been 65 National Merit Scholarship winners, 234 Finalists, 574 Commendation winners, and 13 National Hispanic Scholars.

GPA Distribution on a 4.0 scale for the Class of 2015

Individual rank in class is not reported. To assist you in evaluating student performance, the following grade distribution chart is provided.

GPA Range	Number of Students (399)
4.2 & Above	13
4.0-4.19	26
3.8-3.99	18
3.6-3.79	36
3.4-3.59	32
3.2-3.39	37
3.0-3.19	28
2.8-2.99	30
2.6-2.79	35
2.4-2.59	33
2.2-2.39	31
2.0-2.19	33
2.0 & Below	47
Average GPA	2.92

Grade Point Average

The GPA computation is based on a grading system of A, B, C, D, and F, with point values of 4, 3, 2, 1, and 0. Advanced Standing and Advanced Placement courses are weighted and assigned point values of 5, 4, 3, and 2. "WP" (withdrew passing) indicates a student withdrew from class while passing. "WF" (withdrew failing) indicates the student was failing the class at the time of withdrawal.

Honor Societies

California Scholarship Federation (CSF)

SUHSD Graduation Requirements

220 credits are required for graduation with five credits earned (per semester) for each course completed with a "D" or better.

- English – 40 (8 semesters)
- Social Studies – 35 (7 semesters)
- Mathematics – 20 (4 semesters)
- Science – 20 (4 semesters)
- Career Technical Education – 10 (2 semesters)
- Life Skills – 2.5 (1 quarter)
- Physical Education – 20 (8 quarters)
- Fine Arts – 10 (2 semesters)
- Electives – 62.5 (12.5 semesters)

Curriculum

With more than 93 percent of students going on to college following graduation, Woodside offers a full range of Advanced Placement and advanced standing classes that meet admissions requirements for all top schools. Along with its strong "a-g" college-preparatory focus, Woodside welcomes and supports all students in fulfilling their maximum potential, and particularly those students whose needs are greatest. Specialized support ranges from one-on-one, small group and skill-building classes for students below grade level to academic planning, coursework and support for English Learners and students with special education needs. Access to the core college preparatory curriculum is provided to all students at Woodside High School. Opportunities are available for students to take courses at local community colleges for enrichment and vocational exploration.

Electives

Woodside offers a broad range of electives. Students have the opportunity to take courses in Art, Music (instrumental and vocal), Ceramics, Computer Science, Engineering, Drama, Fine Art, Film Critique, Video Production, Digital Photography, Audio Production, Foods, Journalism, Yearbook, Psychology, and Student Leadership.

Guidance Department

Woodside High School's Guidance Program provides academic planning, personal counseling, and college and career advising for students.

Student Leadership

Our student activities program offers opportunities for students to develop their leadership skills and/or unique interests through one-on-one, small group, classroom and evening presentations.

Athletics

Woodside High School is a member in good standing of the CIF/CCS and Peninsula Athletic League (PAL).

Fall	Winter	Spring
Football (B)	Basketball (B, G)	Lacrosse (B, G)
Water Polo (+B, +G)	Soccer (B, * G)	Track and Field (C)
Cross-Country (C)	Wrestling (C)	Baseball (B)
Tennis (G)		Softball (+G)
Volleyball (G)		Badminton (C)
Dance (C)		Swimming (B, G)
Cheer (C)		Tennis (B)
		Golf (C)

B = Boys G = Girls C = Co Ed * CCS Finalist

PAL Title+