Westside High School

11th and 12th Grade Resource Packet 2021/22



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A & B DAY BELL SCHEDULE 2021 - 2022

7:55	First Bell
8:00-9:35	1st Block
9:35-9:45	Second Chance Breakfast
9:45-11:50	2nd Block (1st Lunch 10:40-11:10) (2nd Lunch 11:20-11:50)
11:55-1:30	3rd Block
1:35-2:25	4th Block (meets everyday)
2:30-3:20	5th Block (meets everyday)

TRIBE TIME BELL SCHEDULE (EVERY WEDNESDAY)

7:55	First Bell			
8:00-9:20	1st Block			
9:20-9:30	Second Chance Breakfast			
9:30-10:00	Tribe			
10:05-11:50	2nd Block (1st Lunch 10:40-11:10) (2nd Lunch 11:20-11:50)			
11:55-1:30	3rd Block			
1:35-2:25	4th Block			
2:30-3:20	5th Block			

PEP RALLY BELL SCHEDULE

7:55	First Bell	
8:00-9:35	1st Block	
9:35-9:45	Second Chance Breakfast	
9:45-11:50	2nd Block (1st Lunch 10:40-11:10) (2nd Lunch 11:20-11:50)	
11:55-1:10	3rd Block	
1:15-2:05	4th Block	
2:10-3:00	5th Block	
3:00-3:20	Pep Rally	

Eleventh grade students at Westside High School will be enrolled in eight classes. Four classes will be academic core classes, such as English, Math, Science and Social Studies, and four classes will be requested elective courses. All of the classes offered for 11th grade students, except study hall, aide periods, and athletics after the first year, will be taken for high school credit. 11th grade students are eligible for work study when approved by Mr. George. This is when a student has a job and would like to leave school early, during 5th block, to go to their place of employment. This will only be considered if the student is on track to graduate with the amount of credits needed during this year of school. It is important to know that high school credit courses will appear on the student's permanent high school transcript and the 11th grade student's final grades will be taken into account when/if determining honor graduate status. Please see the WHS Student Handbook for more information.

Twelfth grade students are allowed to have a reduced schedule if their credits (24) toward graduation have been met. For instance, if a senior only needs an English and Math in order to graduate, they may attend school for those classes only. But a student may not leave school and come back for a class. The only exception will be for athletics, band or choir during 5th block.

Students are required to make-up any failed high school credit course if the failed course is needed towards graduation. Credit recovery can occur through summer school or the following school year. If it is planned for the following school year, the make-up course will take the place of an elective course.

Seniors who are .5 credit short of the required 24 credits to graduate at the end of their senior year have the option of attending summer school to recover the credit and receive their diploma once the course is completed.

Please feel free to contact Mrs. Little by email if you have any questions or concerns.

The Science department at Westside High School has developed a list to help students plan for and to prepare for future courses according to degrees they may be interested in pursuing once they enroll into college.

Who should take Chemistry II: students planning on science and medical field majors and some agri and engineering majors (examples: agri sciences, chemical engineering) prerequisite for AP Biology

Who should take Chemistry Integrated: Non-science, medical, or engineering majors, good for fine arts and humanities majors, those headed to tech training or workforce bound;

Who should take Physics: Engineering, science, computer science, math, environmental science, and some education and medical majors

Who should take A&P: Medical majors

Who should take AP Biology: Medical and Bioscience majors

Who should take Environmental Science: Environmental Science Majors, those seeking a career in anything related to ES, or anyone with an interest

Who should take Astronomy: Astrophysics majors or anyone with an interest

The Department of Education requires that all students earn a credit in the following classes to receive a high school diploma.

English	4 units	
Math	4 units	
Social Studies	3 units, which must include civics/economics, world history and US history	
Science	3 units, one must be biology	
Physical Education	½ unit	
Health/Safety Education	½ unit	
Fine Arts	½ unit	
Oral communications	½ unit	
Electives	6 units with a career focus	

A student who plans to be an Honor Graduate at Westside High School must follow the plan as designated in the school handbook. An excerpt from the handbook has been added below for information regarding the process of Honor graduates, Valedictorian and Salutatorian.

Plan 3—Academic Honors Curriculum

The Honors Program is a rigorous program planned to challenge and prepare students for college work. Any student who wants to be an Honor Graduate or Valedictorian or Salutatorian of the graduating class must complete work in this path. This path includes all SMART Core requirements plus additional rigorous courses.

All students who wish to be designated as an Honor Graduate must follow this plan.

This program is a strenuous, demanding academic plan. Only serious, dedicated students should choose to follow this program. Teachers who lead these classes are expected to set high standards for work done by these students. Students who opt to follow the Academic Honors program must take the following courses:

English	4 units Pre-AP in 10 th grade AP Language 11 th grade AP Literature 12 th grade (Honor graduates may substitute College Comp I/II for AP Literature during their 12th grade year, unless the student is working towards valedictorian or salutatorian status.)	
Mathematics	4 units with the lowest level accepted being Algebra I	
Natural Science	3 units with lab experience, one of which must be Pre AP Biology	
Social Studies	3 units	
Foreign Language	2 units of the same foreign language	
Physical Education	½ unit	
Health/Safety Education	½ unit	
Oral Communications	½ unit	
Fine Arts	1 unit	
Computer Technology	1 unit	
Career Focus/ Electives	6 units	

Students who choose this plan for graduation must take at least three full year credit Advanced Placement Courses. One of these must be an AP English class, or a college English course approved by the principal, during the senior year. It is important to note that if a student is working towards Valedictorian/Salutatorian status, the student must take an AP English Class during the senior year, because of the weighted credit. The student may also take a College English course at the same time for college concurrent credit. Presently, Westside High School offers eight AP classes and a variety of concurrent college courses through ASU Newport. Students who want to graduate with honors must take 3 AP and /or concurrent classes.

AP World History

AP Biology

AP Calculus

AP English Language and Composition

AP English Literature and Composition

AP Computer Science

AP Programming (Computer Science)

AP Principals (Computer Science)

Concurrent Courses Offered:

Composition I/II

College Algebra (online)

World Literature (concurrent credit can be obtained through the AP Literature course)

Introduction to College Psychology

College Intro to Psychology

College Lifespan Development (required for RN majors, benefits students going into anything medical, education, etc.)

Selection of Honor Graduates, Valedictorians and Salutatorians

To be named an Honor Graduate for the year 2021/2022 at Westside High School, a student must have a cumulative 3.5 GPA on the 4.0 scale. This GPA will take into account all academic course work for which credits toward graduation were awarded. The students must have completed all requirements listed in the Honor's Prgram Curriculum.

To be named an Honor Graduate for the year 2021/2022 at Westside High School, a student must maintain a GPA of 3.5 or higher each semester in grades 9-12. This GPA will take into account all academic course work for which credits toward graduation were awarded. The student must have completed all requirements listed in the Honors Program Curriculum.

Valedictorian will be the person who has the highest GPA based on the 5.0 scale among the honors curriculum courses. The salutatorian will be the person having the second highest GPA based on the 5.0 scale among the honors curriculum courses. No student who has a grade less than a C on the transcript will be designated as an Honor Graduate from Westside High School.

These-GPAs must be maintained through the 8th semester. In the event of a tie in the GPA, there will be more than one valedictorian and/or salutatorian. All honor graduates, valedictorians and salutatorians will be recognized at the Commencement ceremony. When students move into the District, a committee will decide if the coursework they transfer into our district with, meets the criteria to allow them to graduate as an Honor Graduate.

The following distinctions will be recognized for the honor graduates:

Valedictorian-- will be the person who has the highest GPA based on the 5.0 scale among the honors curriculum courses.

Salutatorian-- will be the person having the second highest GPA based on the 5.0 scale among the honors curriculum courses.

Summa Cum Laude--Students meeting the requirements for the distinction of honor graduate with a minimum GPA of 4.10(not to be rounded off).

Magna Cum Laude--Students meeting the requirements for the distinction of honor graduate with a minimum GPA of 3.90(not to be rounded off) and a maximum of 4.09. The class rank for these students will be determined based on the number of students earning the distinction of Summa Cum Laude and be ordered based on their earned GPA.

Cum Laude--Students meeting the requirements for the distinction of honor graduate with a minimum GPA of 3.50(not to be rounded off) and a maximum of 3.89. The class rank for these students will be determined based on their earned GPA. Class rank for all graduates not earning the distinction of honor graduate will be ordered based on their earned GPA.

In the event of a tie in the GPA, there will be more than one Valedictorian and/or Salutatorian. All Honor Graduates, Valedictorians, & Salutatorians will be recognized at the Commencement Ceremony. When students move into the District, a Committee will decide if the coursework they transfer into our District meets the criteria to allow them to graduate as an Honor Graduate.

Graduation Check Sheet

Email address: (school)		(personal)			
				Plan for after high school: College, Vocational Training, Military, Career Pathway (fill out this form by looking at classes taken from your high school transcript)	
English (4 units)	grade per sem.)	Social Studies (3 units)	(grade per sem.)		
English 9 or PAP Eng 9 English 10 or PAP Eng 10 English 11 English 12 AP Language AP Literature Comp I & II Res. English		Civics Economics World History U.S. History AP U.S. History U.S. Gov't Intro to Politics			
Math (4 units)		Other			
Algebra I or Alg A and B Geometry or Geom A/B Algebra II Alg Conn Bridge Alg II Smart Core Math (Alg III, Pre-Calc/Trig, Quan. Lit, AP Calc, AP Stat, College Alg.) Res. Math		P.E. Health Oral Comm. Fine Arts Foreign Language I Foreign Language II Computer Tech Computer Science			
Science (3 units) P.S. or PAP P.S. Biology or PAP Biology Chemistry Physics AP Biology Env. Science Astronomy Anatomy & Physiology		Electives:			