

Westlake High School School Profile 2016/2017

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Westlake High School
Today's Dreams;
Tomorrow's Reality



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- **2016 NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL**
- **NEWSWEEK HIGH SCHOOL RANKING 2016: #15 STATE & #119 NATION**
- **WASHINGTON POST 2016 RANKED WHS #45 STATE & #392 NATION**
- **US NEWS & WORLD REPORT 2016: RANKED WHS "GOLD STATUS"***
- * **#78 STATE & #487 NATION**
- * **STEM RANKING: #105 OUT OF TOP 500 SCHOOLS IN THE NATION**
- **CADAVER-BASED ADVANCED ANATOMY HONORS CLASS**
- **ACADECA VENTURA COUNTY CHAMPIONS 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016**

School District

The Conejo Valley Unified School District (CVUSD) is located fifty miles northwest of downtown Los Angeles in Ventura County. Approximately 22,000 students are enrolled in grades K—12. The district consists of twenty elementary schools, five middle schools, three comprehensive high schools, one continuation school, an online college prep school, and an adult school.

Community

CVUSD includes Westlake Village, Thousand Oaks, and Newbury Park. Our community holds high expectations for students in all domains. As a result, students hold themselves accountable for monitoring their own achievement and they take responsibility for their behavior, choices, academic progress, achievement and future plans. Our community is composed mainly of middle/upper income families. Growth in the Conejo Valley in the past fifteen years has been among the fastest in the State of California. This rapid growth has changed the fabric of the community from agrarian to commuter residential. Employment opportunities available within the community are biotechnology, computer technology, light manufacturing, finance, professional interests, and recreation.

Our School

Westlake High School (WHS) is a comprehensive suburban public high school, large enough to have diversity and range, but small enough to be friendly. WHS takes pride in the accomplishments of its students. The staff supports and encourages high expectations for all students. The emphasis of the curriculum is on academics, which is a reflection of the communities' values, and academic courses which are offered at multiple levels to accommodate the needs of all students. In addition, WHS offers technology training and opportunities for enrichment in business, industrial technology, consumer/family studies, art, and music. The band, orchestra, choir, and drama classes offer exciting opportunities for student participation, as do the numerous on-campus clubs. A wide range of athletic activities, including league competitions, are also a part of our course offerings. WHS has an active PTSA, School Site Council, and Scholarship Foundation. The community members, businesses, and agencies interact with the school and our students to enhance the learning process.

Mission Statement: provide a comprehensive education in a safe and positive learning environment; prepare students to function academically, vocationally, culturally and socially as responsible citizens; encourage personal integrity, pride and the life-long pursuit of knowledge and well-being; prepare students to make a meaningful contribution to an ever-changing society.

Special Programs

- **Westlake Academy**, a school within a school concept, supported by a California Partnership Academy grant
- **Career Majors Program** allows students to focus on college and career exploration in a particular career pathway through job shadowing, internships, and community service
- **Career Technical Education Pathways Program**, a pathway is a sequence of 3 courses that deliver relevant and rigorous academic and technical experiences that enable the student to acquire the depth of knowledge and skill linked with specific post-secondary programs that will lead to a certificate or degree and/or career

⇒ **Graduation Requirements**

230 Total Credits

- 40 credits English
- 30 credits Mathematics
- 30 credits Social Science
- 20 credits Science
- 20 credits Physical Education
- 10 credits Visual/Performing Arts or World Language*

- 5 credits Health
- 75 credits Electives

(30 credits of the elective requirement must include courses offered in the following subject areas: visual/performing arts, world language, science, mathematics, social science, industrial arts, business, consumer/family studies.)

* All 10 credits must be in either fine arts or world language

⇒ **Course Level Descriptions**

Advanced Placement

Follows the prescribed Advanced Placement curriculum, assessment, and instruction

Honors

Designed for the student with strong writing skills, an ability to work independently, and who is self-motivated

College Preparatory

Designed for the student who has proficiency in communication and critical thinking skills

⇒ **GPA/Class Rank**

Cumulative GPA

The GPA earned for all high school courses attempted by dividing the total number of points received from grades by the total number of courses taken using a 4.0 scale.

Scholastic GPA

Computed using grades in all coursework, excluding Physical Education classes, earned by students in grades 9 through 12.

Weighted

Based on Scholastic GPA, all Honors and AP courses use a GPA calculation of 5.0 and 4.0 for grades of A or B. Grades of C and D do not earn extra weight. The Weighted GPA is used for rank by decile only, as our school does not publish individual class rank.

Credits

Five credits are granted for each course that meets the equivalent of five days per week, 54 minutes per day for one semester. Exceptions are Careers and Personal Computing which meet for 9 weeks and are worth 2.5 credits.

⇒ **GPA Decile Rank Distribution: September 2016**

<u>Decile Rank</u>	<u>12th Grade Weighted GPA Range</u>
1	4.6500 to 4.9189
2	4.2857 to 4.6486
3	3.9412 to 4.2785
4	3.6667 to 3.9375
5	3.4219 to 3.6579
6	3.1842 to 3.4194
7	2.5806 to 3.1818
8	2.5806 to 2.5758
9	2.2188 to 2.5758
10	Below 2.2121

⇒ **National Merit Program**

- ⇒ 2016-17 Semi-Finalists: 21 Commended: 41
- ⇒ Finalists: TBA
- ⇒ 2015-16 Semi-Finalists: 12 Commended: 26
- ⇒ Finalists: 11
- ⇒ 2014-15 Semi-Finalists: 15 Commended: 34
- ⇒ Finalists: 15
- ⇒ 2016-17 National Hispanic Scholar: 2
- ⇒ 2015-16 National Hispanic Scholar: 4
- ⇒ 2014-15 National Hispanic Scholar: 2
- ⇒ 2014-15 National Achievement Semi-Finalists: 3

United States Presidential Scholar Candidates

- 2016-2017: TBA
- 2015-2016: 6

2016 SAT Reasoning Test Mean Scores

61% of 2016 seniors took the SAT

	2015	2016	2016	2016
	WHS	WHS	STATE	NATION
Critical Reading	570	577	491	494
Mathematics	592	597	500	508
Writing	573	576	485	482

2016 Score Distributions— Westlake High School

Score Range	Critical Reading	Mathematics	Writing
700-800	52	67	61
600-690	102	115	77
500-590	105	92	111
400-490	73	61	87
300-390	14	10	10

⇒ **2016 SAT Subject Tests Mean Scores**

**N = Number of WHS test takers as of June 2016*

	WHS	N*
Literature	649	38
US History	693	58
Math Level 1	668	11
Math Level 2	706	95
Biology—Ecological	668	21
Biology—Molecular	678	19
Chemistry	703	20
Physics	738	28
Spanish	669	20

⇒ ACT College Readiness Test Mean Scores

45% of 2016 Seniors took the ACT; 60% met all four benchmarks

	2014 WHS	2015 WHS	2016 WHS	2016 STATE
English	26.8	26.5	26.3	22.1
Mathematics	27.3	26.4	26.1	22.7
Reading	26.4	26.1	26.1	22.6
Science	25.6	25.5	25.3	22.1
Composite	26.6	26.2	26.1	22.6

⇒ AP Exam Results 2016

983 AP Students and 866 Scored a 3 or higher on one or more exams

Test Title	Total	#>2	%>2
Art History	98	63	64%
Biology	99	90	91%
Calculus AB	72	67	93%
Calculus BC	54	52	96%
Chemistry	36	28	78%
Chinese Language	5	4	80%
Computer Science	66	57	86%
English Language	178	128	98%
English Literature	142	133	94%
Environ Science	140	115	82%
European History	153	122	80%
French Language	9	6	67%
Human Geography	120	102	85%
Micro Economics	151	101	67%
Physics 2	28	25	89%
Physics C Mech	127	106	83%
Psychology	191	174	91%
Spanish Language	82	82	100%
Statistics	81	74	91%
Studio Art Drawing	5	4	80%
Art: 2-D Design	6	6	100%
Art: 3-D Design	18	12	67%
US Gov't & Pol	128	78	61%
US History	183	176	96%
2016 TOTALS	2258	1987	88%
2015 TOTALS	2234	1943	87%
2014 TOTALS	2191	1829	83%
2013 TOTALS	2128	1808	85%
2012 TOTALS	2173	1927	89%

⇒ 2016 AP Awards **

AP Scholars 132

Grades of 3 or higher on three or more AP exams

AP Scholars w/ Honor 80

Avg. grade of at least 3.25 on all AP exams & grade of 3 or higher on 4+ exams

AP Scholars w/ Distinction 245

Avg. grade of at least 3.5 on all AP exams & grades of 3 or higher on 5+ exams

National AP Scholars 73

Avg. grade of at least 4 on all AP exams & grades of 4 or higher on 8+ exams

****Westlake High School: Total Scholars: 457; Average Score 4.06**

⇒ Honors/AP Courses

<u>English</u>	English 9 Honors English 10 Honors AP English Lang/Comp AP English Lit/Comp
<u>World Language</u>	AP Spanish Language AP French Language AP Chinese Language
<u>Mathematics</u>	Geometry Honors Algebra 2 Honors Math Analysis Honors Computer Sci Ind Proj Honors AP Statistics AP Calculus AP Computer Science AP Computer Principles
<u>Science</u>	Biology Honors Chemistry Honors Physiology Honors H Enviro Field Studies ROP Advanced Anatomy Honors AP Biology AP Chemistry AP Physics 2 AP Physics C (Mech) AP Environmental Science
<u>Social Science</u>	AP European History AP United States History AP Gov't & Politics, U.S. AP MicroEconomics AP Human Geography AP Psychology
<u>Art</u>	AP Art Portfolio/2-D AP Art History AP Art Drawing AP Ceramics
<u>Performing Arts</u>	Chamber Orchestra H H Stage Production ROP Vocal Ensemble H Wind Ensemble H

Total of Honors/AP = 39

Co-Curricular Classes

Full Athletic Program (24 varsity sports)
Full Band and Orchestra Program
Full Choir Program
Full Theater Program
Academic Decathlon
Dance Team
Journalism ICP & Advanced Journalism
Mock Trial
Spirit Cheer
Journalism Design/ Yearbook
Associated Student Government
Academic Peer Mentor

Enrollment by Grade: 2016/2017 school year

9th grade	570
10th grade	567
11th grade	539
12th grade	650
Total Students	2359

Approximately 13% of our students live outside the district attendance areas and desire to attend on permit

Post-Graduate Destinations

35% Attending 2 year colleges
 58% Attending 4 year colleges*
 2% Attending Trade/Technical College
 2% Joining the Armed Forces
 3% Undecided/Employed
 95% WHS seniors attending some form of college
 70% College Ready CSU EAP Results

*Of those students attending 4 year colleges, 42% are attending University of California/California State University schools

2015-16

Enrollment Data

Less than 1.0% American Indian
 13.0% Asian
 20.0% Hispanic or Latino
 Less than 1.0% Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
 Less than 2.0% Filipino
 2.5% Black or African American
 58.0% White
 3.8% Two or more Races
 6.0% Students with Disabilities
 6.0% English Language Learners
 5.0% Free & Reduced Lunch

The Class of 2014, 2015, 2016— Attending These Fine Institutions

ALL UC Campuses	Georgetown University	Pitzer College	Univ. Of Nevada, Reno
ALL CSU Campuses	Georgia Tech	Point Loma Nazarene	University of New Haven
Academy of Art University	Glendale Community College	Pratt Institute	University of New Mexico
Adrian College	Gonzaga University	Princeton University	University of North Carolina
Allegheny College	Grand Canyon University	Purdue University	University of North Dakota
American Academy of Dramatic Arts	Harvard University	Rice University	Univ. of Northern Colorado
American University	Harvey Mudd College	Rochester Inst. of Technology	University of Notre Dame
Arizona State University	Hofstra University	Saddleback College	University of Oregon
Art Center College of Design	Idaho State University	Saint Mary's College of CA	University of Oxford
Art Institute	Illinois Institute of Technology	Salisbury University	University of Pennsylvania
Auburn University	Indiana University	Salt Lake CC	University of Phoenix
Aurora University	Indiana Wesleyan University	San Diego Mesa College	University of Redlands
Azusa Pacific University	Iowa State University	Santa Barbara City College	University of Rhode Island
Baldwin Wallace University	Jacksonville University	Santa Clara University	University of Rochester
Barnard College	Johns Hopkins University	Santa Monica College	University of San Diego
Baylor University	Johnson & Wales	Sarah Lawrence College	University of San Francisco
Biola University	Juniata College	Savannah College of A&D	University of South Carolina
Boise State University	Kent Prep Bayside	School of the Art Institute Chicago	University of Southern California
Boston University	Lafayette College	Scripps College	University of Tampa
Brigham Young University	Laguna College of Art & Design	Seattle Central CC	Univ. of Tennessee, Knoxville
Brown University	Lawrenceville	Seattle Pacific University	University of Texas, Austin
Bucknell University	Lewis & Clark College	Seattle University	University of the Pacific
California Baptist University	Liberty University	Siena College	University of Toronto
CA College of the Arts	LIM College	Simi Valley Adult Ed	University of Utah
California Institute of Technology	Loyola Marymount University	Simmons College	University of Washington
California Lutheran University	Loyola University Chicago	Southeastern University	University of Wisconsin, Madison
CA Maritime Academy	Marist College	Southern Methodist University	US Air Force Academy
CA Northstate University	Marquette University	Southern Utah University	US Merchant Marine Academy
Carnegie Mellon University	Massachusetts College of P&H	Stanford University	Utah State University
Cerro Coso Community College	Massachusetts Inst. Of Tech.	St. John's University	Utah Valley University
Chaminade University of Honolulu	Michigan State University	Syracuse University	Vanderbilt University
Chapman University	Monterey Peninsula College	Taft College	Vassar College
Citrus College	Moorpark College	Technische Universitat Munchen	Ventura College
Clemson University	Mt. San Antonio College	Texas A&M University	Victoria University of Wellington
College of Saint Benedict	National Taiwan University	Texas Christian University	Victor Valley College
College of Southern Nevada	New Mexico Military Inst..	Texas Tech University	Wagner College
College of the Canyons	The New School	The New School Eugene Lang	Washington & Lee University
College of William & Mary	NY Conservatory for Dram. Arts	Trinity University	Washington State University
Colorado School of Mines	New York University	Tulane University	Washington University in St. Louis
Colorado State University	North Carolina State Univ.	Universal Technical Inst. of CA	Weber State University
Columbia College Hollywood	Northeastern University	Universite Toulouse I,II,III	Western Kentucky University
Columbia University	Northern Arizona University	University of Alabama	Western Washington Univ.
Concordia University, Montreal	Northwestern University	University of Arizona	Westmont College
Cornell University	Nova Southeastern University	University of Arkansas	Whitworth University
Creighton University	Occidental College	University of British Columbia	Williams College
Cuesta College	Ohio Northern University	University of Colorado, Boulder	Yale University
Dartmouth College	Ohio State University	Univ. of Colorado, Colorado Springs	Yeshiva University
DePaul University	Ohio University	Univ. of Colorado, Denver	
Dixie College	Oklahoma State University	University of Denver	
Drexel University	Orange Coast College	University of Findlay	
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical Univ.	Orange County CC	University of Georgia	
Emerson College	Oregon Institute of Technology	University of Hawaii at Manoa	
Everest College	Oregon State University	University of Illinois	
FIDM	Otis College of Art & Design	University of Kansas	
Florida Atlantic University	Oxnard College	University of La Verne	
Florida State University	Pace University	University of Louisiana, Monroe	
Folsom Lake College	Pasadena CC	University of Maryland	
Fordham University	Patrick Henry College	Univ. of Massachusetts, Amherst	
Franklin and Marshall College	Peninsula College	University of Miami	
Fullerton College	Penn State University	University of Minnesota	
George Brown College	Pepperdine University	University of Mississippi	
George Washington University	Pierce College	University of Nevada, Las Vegas	
	Pikes Peak CC		