

Rising Senior Night Class of 2023



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Role of the School Counselor

- Academic
- College/Career
- Social/Emotional

"I became a school counselor so that I could build student schedules all day long," said no school counselor ever.

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Registration for 2022-2023



Registration Dates and Deadlines

1. **January 11-13** - Students receive registration forms on colored paper.
2. **January 13-21**- Teachers complete recommendations on registration form.
3. **January 21** - Completed registration forms due to Homeroom teacher.
4. **May 1**- NO schedule changes will be made after this date.

Planning Your Schedule

- **Meet graduation requirements.**
 - **Check your credits by accessing your grade reports in Skyward.**
- **Consider your extracurricular activities, employment, outside commitments.**
- **Consider your grades and test scores and teacher recommendation.**
 - **AP Potential available for those who took the PSAT.**
- **Consider your goals for college admission/scholarship.**
 - **Rigor of course load is an important factor for more selective colleges and some scholarships.**
- **Consider your goals for diploma type and other graduation recognition.**

Graduation Requirements

¹All students must be enrolled in a math course each year of high school.

² The PE II requirement may be waived with documented equivalent time of physical activity in TSSAA interscholastic athletics, Marching Band, JROTC or Dance.

³ Students must earn three credits in the SAME elective focus area.

⁴ Students must earn two credits in the SAME world language.
WCS High School Graduation Pathways:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ThYysf6eCzE>

English 4 credits	Math 4 credits¹	Science 3 credits	History 3 credits	Wellness 1.5 credits
English I English II English III English IV	Algebra I Geometry Algebra II Adv. Math	Biology Chemistry or Physics Lab Science	World History US History Government/ Economics	Lifetime Wellness PE II or Weights ²

Personal Finance .5	Elective Focus 3 credits³	World Language 2 credits⁴	Fine Art 1 credit
Personal Finance	CTE Humanities/ Fine Arts Math/Science AP JROTC	Spanish French	Visual Art Theatre Chorus Band Strings FA Elective

AP Courses

English III AP

English IV AP

Calculus AB AP

Calculus BC AP

Statistics AP

Principles of

Computer Science AP

Computer Science AP

Biology AP

Chemistry AP

Environmental Science AP

Physics I AP

Physics II AP

Human Geography AP

European History AP

World History AP

Psychology AP

US History AP

US Government AP

Comparative Government AP

Macroeconomics AP

Studio Art AP

Art History AP

Music Theory AP

Spanish Language AP

French AP

Spanish Literature AP

Dual Enrollment

- Dual enrollment is a program that allows high school juniors and seniors to enroll in college courses that count for both high school and college credit.
 - Columbia State and MTSU
- Dual Enrollment registration is SEPARATE from CHS.
- Counselors will hold a meeting for students interested in dual enrollment in the spring.

Dual Enrollment Steps

- Student decides which DE course they want to take by **January 21**
- Complete WCS Dual Enrollment Application by **January 21**

Completed Spring 2022:

- Apply to Columbia State → <https://www.columbiastate.edu/apply/index.html>
- Apply for Dual Enrollment Grant → <https://www.tn.gov/collegepays>
- Register for Classes

Note: Updates on Dual Enrollment will be on our weekly Counseling Newsletter

Scheduling Dual Enrollment

- Any student enrolled in a dual enrollment class receives one “Activity period.”
- Students receive one “DE Study Hall” for EACH dual enrollment course they take.
- Students do not have to be here for these periods; however, they can only arrive to school late or leave early.
- Schedule conflicts often happen.
- We recommend students schedule their dual enrollment class outside of school hours.
- Students should take dual enrollment with the goal of earning college credit prior to starting college NOT to shorten their school days.

Graduation Distinctions



4.600 - WCS Honors Recognition

For the purposes of honors recognition WCS will use the following Latin System:

- Summa Cum Laude 4.25 and above
- Magna Cum Laude 4.00-4.24
- Cum Laude 3.75-3.99

4.600 - Valedictorian and Salutatorian

Valedictorian and Salutatorian will be chosen using the following criteria:

1. Student must qualify for the highest Latin System honor.
2. Student must sit for the AP exam for every course in which enrolled and must achieve a score of 3 or above on 75% of AP exams taken.
3. Student will participate in at least 20 hours of documented community service above and beyond any other community service required by other organizations.
4. In the event multiple students meet the aforementioned criteria, then the highest achieved ACT composite controls.

Types of Diplomas

Tennessee Standard Diploma	Awarded to all students who have met graduation requirements as set forth by the State of Tennessee and the Williamson County Board of Education.
Tennessee Diploma with Honors	Awarded to students who score at or above all of the subject area readiness benchmarks on the ACT or equivalent score on the SAT will graduate with honors. The benchmark scores are: English 18, Mathematics 22, Reading 22, Science 23.
Tennessee Diploma with Distinction	Awarded to students attaining a B average and completing at least one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Earn a nationally recognized industry certificate• Participate in one of the Governor's Schools• Participate in one of the state's All State musical organizations.• Be selected as a National Merit Finalist or Semi-Finalist• Attain a composite score of 31 or higher on the ACT• Attain a score of 3 or higher on at least two AP exams by the end of the junior year.• Earn 12 or more semester hours of transcribed postsecondary credit.
Williamson County Honors Diploma	Awarded to students who have completed the core curriculum and a minimum of 14 credits at the honors or Advanced Placement level, 4 years of science, and a 3.5 or higher GPA (3.75 for class of 2020) . Credits earned from middle school will be counted as honors classes.
Centennial Honors Diploma Starting with Class of 2020	Meet core requirements, 3.0 GPA or higher, 4 years of Science, 3 years of World Language, 5 AP credits, All Core Classes taken at Honors Level if offered.

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Seal of Biliteracy

What?

Honor awarded to graduating seniors who can communicate in all modes: reading, listening, speaking, and writing in at least TWO World Languages.

Contact for Biliteracy recognition:

Mrs. Jennifer Livezey
jennifer.livezey@wcs.edu

OR

Student's World Language Teacher

Volunteerism Recognition

- Requires 10 hours of documented community service each semester.
- Report volunteer hours on the Volunteer Reporting Form.
- Hours can be added retroactively.

Preparing for Post High School



TN Promise

- TN Promise offers two years of tuition-free community or technical college to recent graduates of Tennessee high schools.
- To be eligible senior students must:
 - Complete TN Promise application during senior year.
 - File FAFSA by TN Promise deadline during senior year.
 - Complete 8 hours of community service summer following graduation.
 - Attend mandatory TN Promise meetings
 - Enroll in community or technical college fall following graduation.
- www.tnpromise.gov

HOPE Scholarship

- Minimum 21 ACT

OR

- Final cumulative 3.0 HOPE Scholarship GPA

Up to \$1,750 per full-time enrollment semester as a freshman and sophomore;
then up to \$2,250 per full-time enrollment semester as a junior and senior

General Assembly Merit Scholarship -TSAC

- Minimum 29 ACT

AND

- Final cumulative HOPE Scholarship 3.75 GPA

Up to \$1,500 per year in addition to HOPE.



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"We've been thinking a lot about what we want to do with your life."

Starting
the
College
Admission
Process.

What to do now

- Create a list of colleges of interest.
 - Note admission requirements and deadlines.
- Visit a college campus
- College Fairs
 - WCS College Fair Fall 2022

ACT

- March 1, 2022
- ACT Prep Course
- Scholarship Money



Action Steps for Spring Semester 2022

- Finish strong in your current classes.
- Recover any failed courses.
 - Credit Recovery available during study hall and after school Monday-Thursday 3-4 PM
 - Sign up with your counselor.
- Complete course registration for next school year.
- Junior Meetings/Senior Meetings

Graduation Window

May 27 -29, 2022



Questions?

Have a Cougarific Evening!

