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ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

APEX - Walter Johnson's Signature Program is in its twenty second year. The APEX Scholars Program (Advanced Placement Experience) is designed to be a highly competitive four-year course of study. It offers a select group of students a comprehensive curriculum combining accelerated honors and intensive advanced placement level coursework. The course of study provides highly gifted learners with a broad, general background in many academic areas at appropriately challenging levels, to help them better prepare to choose future fields of interest or career paths.

ACES – The ACES (Advanced Curriculum for Excellence in Science) Scholars Program offers students a challenging course of study in the sciences over a four-year period. Students in the ACES Program complete an advanced curriculum providing a broad background in multiple scientific disciplines. Students receiving recognition as ACES Scholars are well-rounded science students who are prepared for the most challenging college and university science programs

LEAD – Participants will study at least two foreign languages with full awareness of the peoples and the cultures these languages represent. The rigorous program requirements include work in at least two foreign languages, one through the AP level. Working in several languages, students will hone their analytical skills while exploring the wealth of communicative possibilities, both spoken and written. (Linguistic Excellence And Discovery)

Advanced Placement Courses - Advanced Placement coursework is offered in:

English Literature Composition and English Language & Composition, Economics (Macro and Micro), European History, US and Comparative Government & Politics, Human Geography, Psychology, US History and World History, Biology, Chemistry, Physics 1, Physics C and Environmental Science, Spanish Language, Spanish Literature, French Language, Latin Vergil, Chinese Language, German Language, Japanese Language and Italian Language, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Statistics, Computer Science A, Computer Science Principles, Music Theory,

Studio Art Drawing, Studio Art 2D (Digital Art and Photography) and Studio Art 3D

STUDENTS

Seniors:	583	Sophomores:	783
Juniors:	733	Freshmen:	745

54.4% of our students are white; 17.6% are Hispanic; 12.1% are Asian; .2% are American Indian/Native American; 9.6% are Black/African American; 6.1% are two or more races; and 0% are Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander.

Ms. Jamie Ahearn

93% of our 2019-2020 seniors are attending 4 or 2-year colleges.

OUR SCHOOL AND VISION

We are a comprehensive public high school on a semester grading system, grades 9-12, accredited by the Middle States Association and the Maryland State Department of Education.

The Walter Johnson High School community strives to be a caring, safe environment that fosters personal growth and academic achievement.

MISSION

All students will explore and expand their potential through collaboration, perseverance, and creative problem solving in order to be successful in college and careers.

THE COMMUNITY

Our Montgomery County community encompasses Garrett Park, northern Bethesda, southern Kensington, and southern Rockville. We are located in the heart of a high-tech center, surrounded by such major research and development employers as: IBM, Lockheed Martin, The National Institutes of Health and the Bethesda Naval Hospital. Our parents, mainly professional and managerial employees, are actively involved in supporting our school. We believe that our vision and our community have created an atmosphere of excellence at Walter Johnson High School.

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

The Certificate of Merit recognizes the extra effort made by students who choose more rigorous courses in all programs, not only in academic areas. It is awarded to students who satisfy these *additional* requirements:

- Obtain a 3.0 unweighted grade point average
- Earn at least 12 credits in advanced courses, which are available in most subject areas, and indicated by CM, HON on the transcript.

ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS

ESOL - The English for Speakers of Other Languages department provides programs for students whose primary language is not English and who need academic support. In September, 2020, ESOL supports 141 students from 41 countries speaking 23 different languages.

Academic Support Center - This program provides support to approximately 325 students with identified learning styles that may require specialized instruction and accommodations to meet academic demands.

Internships - Our corporate and government neighbors offer us invaluable opportunities for academically rigorous business partnerships and internships in the physical and social sciences. Internships also include a daily in-school program for selected, high achieving students who provide academic support to students in the classroom setting.

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2020-2021 Profile

College Board Code: 210912

ACADEMIC AWARDS – CLASS OF 2021

National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists 4
National Hispanic Recognition Scholars 6
National Merit Commended Students 32
National Merit Scholarship Students 44

STANDARDIZED TEST PROFILES

SAT I - CLASS of 2020 Mean SAT Scores (Highest Mean)		ACT- CLASS of 2020 Average ACT Scores	
Combined	1257	Composite	26.6
Critical Reading	636	English	27.3
Math	624	Math	25.3
		Reading	27.7
		Science	25.8
Percent of students tested 10/16-6/18 73%		Percent of students tested 10/16-6/18 43%	

ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMS - MAY 2020

Scores and Honors for Grades 9-12
Total students tested: 1,410
Total number of tests: 2,845
Graduating Class Summary - 2020: 79.4%
School AP average: 3.7
Class of 2020 AP Equity & Excellence: 56.0%
91 AP National Scholar
321 AP Scholar with Distinction
134 AP Scholar with Honor
179 AP Scholar

AP Exam/AP Grade	5	4	3	2	1	Total
Art History	0	0	0	0	0	0
Biology	13	20	11	2	3	49
Calculus AB	54	44	30	12	1	141
Calculus BC	47	10	5	0	0	62
Chemistry	14	10	9	9	2	44
Chinese Lang & Culture	5	2	3	2	2	14
Comp Science A	10	8	5	1	2	26
Economics: Macro	39	43	17	11	9	119
Economics: Micro	41	49	23	12	5	130
Eng Lang & Comp	60	87	72	67	16	302
Eng Lit & Comp	27	31	63	25	4	150
Environmental Science	15	19	5	5	3	4
European History	2	6	5	3	2	18
French Language	8	4	5	0	0	10
German Language	0	1	0	0	0	1
Gov't & Politics: Comp.	36	15	9	6	1	67
Gov't & Politics: US	114	91	110	74	34	423
Human Geography	19	12	5	2	3	41
Italian Lang & Culture*	3	4	4	1	0	12
Japanese Language	0	0	0	0	0	1
Latin: Vergil	0	1	3	0	0	4
Music Theory	2	1	3	2	0	8
Physics I	28	29	29	9	1	96
Physics C – Elect. & Mag.	5	13	3	9	1	31
Physics C - Mechanics	20	7	5	0	1	33
Psychology	69	51	46	15	10	191
Spanish Language	25	21	8	2	0	56
Spanish Literature	2	2	1	0	1	6
Statistics	24	29	27	15	7	102
Studio Art: Drawing	2	7	2	0	0	11
Studio Art: 2-D Design	2	16	5	1	0	24
Studio Art: 3-D Design	0	4	0	0	0	4
US History	65	62	45	24	8	204
World History	95	120	66	36	9	326

Score	Total # of Grades Reported	Percentage of Total
5	864	30.4%
4	850	29.9%
3	649	22.8%
2	352	12.4%
1	130	4.6%

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Our graduates must successfully complete 22 credit hours of coursework that include the following:

4 English	1 Fine Art
3 Social Studies ¹	1 Technology Education
4 Math ²	.5 Health
3 Science ³	1 Physical Education

And one of the following:

2 Foreign Language or
2 Advanced Technology or
3-9 Career Preparation

Our graduates must also complete a minimum of 75 hours of student service. Students who earn 260 hours or more are awarded a Certificate of Outstanding Service.

In addition to completing specific graduation requirements and student service learning hours, students graduating in 2012 and beyond must pass High School Assessment (HSA) exams in Algebra/Data Analysis, Biology and English, earning a combined score on the three tests of 1208 or higher or completing the required Bridge Plan projects.

¹including US History, National State & Local Government and World History

²including Algebra and Geometry

³including Biology and physical science with laboratory experiences

GRADING

	Unweighted	Weighted
A Superior	4.0	5.0 Honors Level/ADV
B Above Average	3.0	4.0 Honors Level/ADV
C Average	2.0	3.0 Level/ADV
D Below Average	1.0	
E Failing	0.0	
E ₂ or LC - Loss of Credit due to excessive unexcused absences		
CR/NC - Credit/No Credit		
Honors, Advanced Placement and Advanced Level courses are identified on student transcripts as HON and ADV.		

In March 2020 Montgomery County Public Schools moved to a distance-learning model of instruction for the remainder of the semester. At that time, baseline grades were established and from that point, grades could only be improved. At the end of the semester, students were given the option to earn a pass or a letter grade, no option for failure. MCPS does not administer final exams in any subject. Semester 1 of the 2020-2021 school year, will begin in the distance learning model, letter grades will be earned.

GRADE DISTRIBUTION – CLASS OF 2020

Distribution of Grade Point Averages based on 575 students. Montgomery County Public Schools does not rank students.

Range	Percent of Class Unweighted GPA	Weighted GPA
4.51 & Above	0%	20%
4.01 - 4.50	0%	24%
3.51 - 4.00	42%	20%
3.01 - 3.50	26%	15%
2.51 - 3.00	17%	11%
2.01 - 2.50	9%	7%
1.51 - 2.00	4%	3%
1.01 - 1.50	1%	1%