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REPORT TO COLLEGES 2006-07

Charles Wright Academy provides a demanding academic program, challenging each student to develop fully his or her intellectual, physical, and artistic abilities, and his or her potential for moral conduct and responsible citizenship.

SCHOOL CHARACTERISTICS

Founded in 1957, CWA is an independent coed college-preparatory day school for grades Pre-K through 12, located in a suburban setting at the foot of Mt. Rainier and drawing students from a fifty mile radius. Some students commute in excess of an hour one-way each day.

Student population is 723, with 305 in grades 9-12, and the average Upper School section size is 14.

57% of the faculty hold masters or doctorate degrees. 27% of the student body are students of color. The school has an operating budget of \$11,600,000 and awards in excess of \$1,400,000 in financial aid to 19% of its students.

Typically, 100% of CWA graduates attend 4-year colleges or universities.

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

Graduation reflects fulfillment of the following:

- 4 years of English
- 3 years of math through Algebra II
- 3 years of History, including US History
- 3 years of laboratory science
- 3 years of foreign language
- 1 visual and 1 performing art
- 4 Winterims (1-week enrichment workshops and trips)
- 1 Outdoor Education wilderness trip (backpack/kayak)
- 15 hours of community service each year
- 8 seasons of team sports or PE

A typical course load for Juniors: English, pre-calculus or algebra II, chemistry, foreign language, US history, and a studio or performing art.

ADVANCED COURSES

- AP courses offered: English, Calculus (AB and BC), Statistics, US and European History, Economics, Chemistry, Physics, Computer Science, Spanish and French.
- Only Honors Physics is designated an honors course. All courses are at college-preparatory level.
- AP courses are restricted to 3 per year unless special dispensation is granted. Enrollment in AP courses requires departmental approval.
- Comprehensive mathematics courses are enriched and accelerated, (e.g., "Comprehensive Algebra II").

GRADE STANDARDS

CWA actively resists grade inflation. Only 4 students in 49 years have graduated with a cumulative GPA of 4.0. GPA is based on a 4.0 scale, with adjustment for +/- :
 B+ = 3.33, B = 3.0, B- = 2.67.

- GPA's and transcript grades are not weighted.
- CWA does not compute class rank.

NATIONAL MERIT, CLASS OF 2007

2 Semifinalists and 10 Commended Students

DISTRIBUTION OF CUMULATIVE GPA'S (Through Sixth Semester, Class of 2007)

GPA	# of Students	% of Class	GPA	# of Students	% of Class
4.00-3.67	11	17%	2.99-2.67	12	19%
3.66-3.33	15	23%	2.66-2.33	5	8%
3.32-3.00	16	25%	≤ 2.32	5	8%

Class size: 64 students

SAT I SCORES

Mid-50% Range	Cr Rdg	Math
Class of '06	550-670	570-670
Class of '05	560-660	540-650
Class of '04	560-680	580-690

SAT SUBJECT SCORES, CWA '06

Subject	Mid-50% Range	# for CWA
English Lit.	550-670	13
Math II	620-750	22
Physics	680-740	10
US History	600-700	18

ADVANCED PLACEMENT, Class of '06, Spring '06

Class of 2006: 57 of 63 students took a total of 129 AP Exams

29% of scores = 5 61% of scores ≥ 4 92% of scores ≥ 3

79% of the class of '06 recognized as AP Scholar, Scholar with Honor, or Scholar with Distinction

COLLEGE MATRICULATION 2002-2006

Albertson C of Idaho	George Washington U	Pacific U	U of Kentucky
Alfred U	Georgia Institute of Tech	Pepperdine U	U of La Verne
American U	Gonzaga U	Pomona C	U of Miami
Arizona State U	Greenville C	Purdue U	U of Montana, Missoula
Beloit C	Gustavus Adolphus C	Rice U	U of Oregon
Boston C	Harvard U	Saint Martin's U	U of the Pacific
Boston U	Harvey Mudd C	San Francisco Art Institute	U of Pennsylvania
Bowdoin C	Howard U	Santa Clara U	U of Portland
Brandeis U	Illinois Institute of Tech	School of the Museum of Fine Arts	U of Puget Sound
Brigham Young U	Ithaca C	Scripps C	U of Redlands
Brigham Young U, Idaho	Johns Hopkins U	Seattle Pacific U	U of Richmond
Brown U	Kalamazoo C	Seattle U	U of Rochester
Bucknell U	Knox C	Simpson U	U of San Diego
Cabrillo C	Lewis & Clark C	Southern Oregon U	U of Southern California
California Lutheran U	Linfield C	St. John's C	U of Tampa
Central Washington U	Loyola Marymount U	St. Olaf C	U of Vermont
Chapman U	Loyola U Chicago	Stanford U	U of Virginia
Claremont McKenna C	Macalester C	Tacoma Community C	U of Washington
Colgate U	Manhattan School of Music	Trinity U	Union C
Colorado C	Marymount C	Tufts U	US Air Force Academy
Colorado State U	Miami U	Tulane U	Villanova U
Culinary Institute of America	Middlebury C	U of Arizona	Virginia Polytechnic Institute
Denison U	Mills C	U of British Columbia	Washington State U
DePauw U	Mount Holyoke C	U of California at Davis	Washington U in St. Louis
Drexel U	New York U	U of California at Los Angeles	Wesleyan U
Duke U	Northeastern U	U of California at San Diego	Western Washington U
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical U	Northern Arizona U	U of Chicago	Whitman C
Emory U	Northwestern U	U of Colorado	Whitworth C
Evergreen State C	Norwich U	U of Connecticut	Willamette U
Franklin C Switzerland	Occidental C	U of Denver	William Woods U
Furman U	Pacific Lutheran U	U of Idaho	Woodbury U