



MOUNT PLEASANT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
WESTLAKE HIGH SCHOOL

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2021–2022 SCHOOL PROFILE

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The Community

The Town of Mount Pleasant is a community of approximately 43,000 people located in the central portion of Westchester County, NY. The hamlets of Thornwood, Hawthorne and portions of Pleasantville and Valhalla make up the Mount Pleasant Central School District. Several large corporations have divisions or headquarters within the town. A large percentage of our professionals commute into New York City for employment. The residents of this suburban residential community hold professional, entrepreneurial, managerial and executive positions. More than 95% of Westlake's graduates go on to higher education.

The School

The Westlake High School student population is approximately 550, grades 9-12. The program of studies is excellent in preparing students to make a transition to college level work through our generous offering of honors, AP and college level courses. Vocational programs are offered to students who wish to pursue the workforce immediately after high school or continue towards a trade school. Our school provides a distinctive curriculum that meets the needs of our talented student population. This includes a diverse and challenging sampling of electives that enhance the required course of study. The student to faculty ratio is: 9:1. There are 4 School Counselors with average caseload of 160 that follow their students for all four years.

WHS Guidance and Counseling Mission Statement

We aim to support our students to become curious, knowledgeable and independent thinkers grounded in strong values and integrity. We promote our students to lead balanced lifestyles and be prepared for the real world, taking on new challenges and embracing responsible risks.

WESTLAKE HIGH SCHOOL

CEEB Code: 335-563

4-YEAR COLLEGE BOUND CLASS OF 2021

* 2021 Mean ACT Composite: 26

* 2021 Mean SAT I

Evidenced Based Reading/Writing. 588

Math. 576

COVID-19 STATEMENT FOR THE CLASS OF 2021

**During the 2020-21 school year, our school utilized a variety of hybrid instructional models due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Westlake High School employed three distinct learning modalities that required students to learn through asynchronous, live and online instruction. Additionally, our school maintained a fully remote, online option for students. The limited access to in-person instruction and frequent changes to learning modalities was disruptive to students' access to education and instruction.*

2021 GRADUATION STATISTICS

Number of students in	
Graduation Class of 2021	144
Percentage of students pursuing	
Post High School Education	95%
Number of students	
securing Employment	3
Number of students	
Entering Armed Services	1
Number of colleges applied to	266
Number of states in which	
colleges applied to	32

COLLEGE BOUND GRADUATION DATA

	<u>4 Yr. Coll/Univ</u>	<u>2 Yr. Coll/Univ</u>
Class of 2021	85%	15%
Class of 2020	88%	12%
Class of 2019	82%	18%
Class of 2018	88%	12%
Class of 2017	85%	15%

STATEMENT ABOUT N.Y.S. REGENTS EXAMS

Students are required to complete one NYS Regents Exam in Math, Science and English and two in Social Studies.

DISTRIBUTION OF GRADES

All subjects, including Physical Education, are used in determining grade point average. The following is the grade distribution chart.

ALPHA TO NUMERIC CONVERSION

A+ = 99,98	C+ = 79, 78
A = 97, 96, 95, 94	C = 77, 76, 75, 74
A- = 93, 92, 91, 90	C- = 73, 72, 71, 70
B+ = 89, 88	D = 69, 68, 67, 66
B = 87, 86, 85, 84	F = 64 and below
B- = 83, 82, 81, 80	

CLASS RANK AND WEIGHTING

Weighting is used for the purpose of determining class percentile rank and National Honor Society eligibility. Only reported grades in Honors and Advanced Placement courses are weighted in accordance with district policy. These courses have a weighted factor of 5%. There are three levels of instruction offered: Regents, Honors and AP. Class percentile is calculated after the sixth and seventh semesters. It is computed using weighted factors to determine the GPA. All courses with a numerical grade are factored into the overall GPA and decile rank. **WE DO NOT DISCLOSE RANK.**

2021 AP DATA

All students enrolled in AP courses take AP exams.
AP courses offered to students, grades 10-12.

% of students grades 10-12 enrolled in AP.	43%
* Number of Students Taking AP Exams	181
* Number of AP Exams Taken	395
Number of AP Scholars	58
Number of AP Scholars with Distinction	16
Number of AP Scholars with Honors	13

**Please see our COVID-19 statement above which explains limitations on access to instruction.*

HONOR ROLL

Honor Roll is awarded on three distinct levels:

- Laude—GPA 85-89.99
- Magna—GPA 90-94.99
- Summa—GPA 95 and up

HONOR SOCIETIES

English Honor Society, Italian Honor Society, Math Honor Society, National Honor Society, Science Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, Social Studies Honor Society

ADVANCED PLACEMENT, HONORS & COURSES FOR COLLEGE CREDIT

Advanced Placement

Biology
Calculus AB
Calculus BC
Chemistry
Computer Science Principles
Computer Science A
English Language
English Literature
Environmental Science
Government & Politics: United States
Macroeconomics
Music Theory
Physics
Spanish Language
Statistics
Art (Drawing, 2D Design & 3D Design)
United States History
World History

Courses for College Credit

Chorus
Criminal Law
Italian 4, Italian 5
Music Theory 1
Oceanography
Psychology
Sociology
Spanish 4
Science Research I,II, and III

Honors Courses

English 9 H
English 10 H
English 12 H
Global 1 H
Biology H
Chemistry H
Earth Science H
Geometry H
Trigonometry H
Pre-Calculus H

CRITICAL WRITING & RESEARCH

The curriculum and program is delivered to every 9th grader in a separate class. They learn about argumentative writing, rhetoric, and research by considering different modes of argument that operate in our culture every day. The course is broken into three parts: Analyzing arguments, research arguments, and designing and delivering arguments. Direct instruction involves the protocols of formal academic research, such as assessing reliable sources and integrating technology skills.

SENIOR EXPERIENCE

The Senior Experience offers our 12th grade students an outstanding opportunity to explore their career interests in real world settings. During the last quarter of senior year, students are encouraged to seek out an internship experience that they will attend in place of their daily school schedule. In addition to the internship, they also choose a school based mentor that they meet with weekly to discuss their progress. The Senior Experience culminates in a final presentation and project about their internship.

SCIENCE RESEARCH

The Authentic Science Research course enables students to perform authentic and original scientific research in an independent manner. The program is flexible and permits students to participate for 1, 2 or 3 years. The program affords students the opportunity to participate in the community of scientific research and scholarship as part of their high school experience. This course encourages students to work in conjunction with research scientists and professionals within their chosen field of research. Students may do independent research in mathematics, science, psychology, engineering, technology or the social sciences. This program allows students to optionally obtain as many as 12 college units through the State University of New York when successfully completed.

SCIENCE FAIR

One of Westlake's most unique features is its annual science fair that is truly one of a kind. It is the only science fair in New York State that is open to entry level candidates. Typically hosted in June, the fair is open to all school districts and usually has hundreds of participants. The fair allows our students unique access not only into the world of presenting scientific research but also into the planning and coordinating of such a venue.

NEW YORK STATE GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

For The Class of 2021

Regents Diploma

Required Courses:

English 4 credits

Social Studies 4 credits

Math 3 credits **

Science 3 credits (1 Life, 1 Physical)

World Language 1 credit*

Art/Music 1 credit

Health .5 credits

Physical Education 2 credits

Sequence/Electives 3.5 credits

TOTAL 22.0 credits

Required Exams (Passing score of 65 and above)

English Language Arts Regents

1 Math Regents Exam

Global Studies Regents Exam *

U.S. History Regents Exam *

1 Science Regents Exam

* A NYS approved pathway or 2nd Science Regents Exam can replace one of the social studies exams.

* Students are required to have completed one unit of credit in a World Language by the end of their Freshman year or pass the local proficiency exam.

** An integrated course in Mathematics/Science/Technology may be used as the third required unit of credit in Mathematics or Science.

Colleges & Universities Graduates Have Been Accepted To This Past Year

Adelphi University
The University of Alabama
Albany College of Pharmacy
and Health Sciences
Albright College
American University
Appalachian State University
Arizona State Univ., Tempe
The University of Arizona
Baylor University
Bentley University
Berkeley Clg. NYC Midtown
Berklee College of Music
Binghamton University
Bloomsburg University of
Pennsylvania
Boston College
Boston University
Bowdoin College
Brandeis University
University of Bridgeport
Brown University
Bucknell University
Univ. of California-Davis
Univ. of California, Los
Angeles
Univ. of California, San Diego
Univ. of California, Santa Cruz
Carnegie Mellon University
Catholic Univ. of America
Charleston Southern Univ.
College of Charleston
CUNY City College
Clark University
Clarkson University
Clemson University
Colby College
Colby, Sawyer College
Colgate University
The College of Saint Rose
Connecticut College
University of Connecticut
The City University of New
York, CUNY
Curry College
Dean College
University of Delaware
Drexel University
Dutchess Community College
East Stroudsburg University
of Pennsylvania

Eastern Connecticut State
University
Elon University
Fairfield University
Fairleigh Dickinson University,
Metropolitan Campus
Farmingdale State College
Fashion Inst. of Technology
Florida Atlantic University
Florida Southern College
Fordham University
Franklin Pierce University
Geneva College
George Mason University
George Washington Univ.
Georgia Inst. of Technology
Gettysburg College
University of Hartford
Hartwick College
Haverford College
Hawaii Pacific University
High Point University
Hofstra University
CUNY Hunter College
Indiana University,
Bloomington
Iona College
Ithaca College
James Madison University
Johnson & Wales University,
Providence
Kean University
Keene State College
La Salle University
Lackawanna College
Le Moyne College
Lehigh University
Lehman College, CUNY
LIU Brooklyn
Long Island University
Loyola University, Chicago
Loyola University, Maryland
Lynn University
Manhattan College
Manhattanville College
Marist College
University of Maryland,
College Park
Marymount Manhattan Clg.
Massachusetts College of Art
and Design

University of Massachusetts,
Amherst
University of Massachusetts,
Dartmouth
McGill University
Mercy College
University of Miami
Michigan State University
Misericordia University
Mitchell College
Molloy College
Monmouth University
Montclair State University
Mount Saint Mary College
College of Mount Saint
Vincent
Muhlenberg College
New England College
New England Institute of
Technology
University of New Hampshire
University of New Haven
New York Conservatory for
Dramatic Arts
New York Inst. of Technology
New York University
University of North Carolina
at Charlotte
North Carolina State Univ. at
Raleigh
Northeastern University
Nova Southeastern Univ.
Ohio University
Pace University, Main
Campus
Pace University, Westchester
Pennsylvania State Univ.,
Main Campus
Pennsylvania State Univ.,
Penn State Berks
Pennsylvania State Univ.,
University Park Campus in
the Schreyer Honors Clg.
Plymouth State University
Pratt Institute, Main Campus
Princeton University
Providence College
SUNY at Purchase College
Quinnipiac University
Ramapo Clg. of New Jersey
Rensselaer Polytechnic Inst.

Rhode Island College
University of Rhode Island
Rider University
Roanoke College
Rochester Inst. of Technology
University of Rochester
Rockland Community College
Roger Williams University
Rowan University
Rutgers University, New
Brunswick
Sacred Heart University
Saint Michael's College
Salem State University
School of Visual Arts
University of Scranton
Seton Hall University
Seton Hill University
Siena College
Skidmore College
Univ. of South Carolina,
Columbia
Southern Connecticut State
Univ.
Springfield College
Saint John Fisher College
St. John's University,
Manhattan
St. John's Univ., New York
St. Thomas Aquinas College
State Univ. of New York at
New Paltz
Stevens Inst. of Technology
Stockton University
Stony Brook University
SUNY at Albany
SUNY College of Technology
at Alfred
SUNY Buffalo State
SUNY College at Brockport
SUNY Cortland
SUNY Clg. of Environmental
Science & Forestry
SUNY College at Geneseo
SUNY Morrisville
SUNY Oneonta
SUNY College at Potsdam
SUNY College of Technology
at Canton
SUNY College of Technology
at Delhi

SUNY at Fredonia
SUNY Maritime College
SUNY College at Oswego
SUNY College at Plattsburgh
SUNY Polytechnic Institute
Susquehanna University
Syracuse University
The University of Tampa
Temple University
Temple University, Japan
The University of Tennessee,
Knoxville
Texas Christian University
Texas Tech University
The University of Texas at
Arlington
The University of Texas at
Austin
The New School
Ohio State University, Main
Campus
Towson University
Trinity College, Dublin
Tufts University
Tulane Univ. of Louisiana
University at Buffalo
University of Vermont
Virginia Polytechnic Institute
and State University
Virginia Wesleyan University
University of Virginia, Main
Campus
Wake Forest University
University of Washington,
Seattle Campus
Wells College
West Chester University of
Pennsylvania
SUNY Westchester
Community College
The College of Westchester
Western Connecticut State
University
Western New England
University
Wilkes University
College of William and Mary
William Paterson University
of New Jersey
Worcester Polytechnic Inst.
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