WESTERN SIERRA COLLEGIATE ACADEMY

CEEB Code: 054379 **Year**: 2016-17 **Principal**: Chelsea Bowler

Community

Western Sierra Collegiate Academy is located in Rocklin, California, featuring a small school community, with high academic standards and a student code of conduct. Staff believes that all students are capable of thriving in a demanding college-preparatory program. Student success requires commitment by students, parents, and teachers and hard work. Students will flourish in an environment that allows them to achieve their full potential. Dedicated to excellence, the school is structured to recognize and respond to the developmental, cognitive and creative needs of students.

School

Western Sierra Collegiate Academy is a tuition-free public charter school enrolling 760 students in grades 7-12. The school opened in the fall of 2009 and will graduate its fifth senior class in June 2017. Founded by a coalition of experienced educators and parents, Western Sierra prepares graduates to enter and thrive at the world's finest universities and colleges. As a charter school, WSCA operates independently of a traditional school district. WSCA is governed by the Board of Directors of Rocklin Academy, and authorized by Rocklin Unified School District. Western Sierra is fully accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). We were recognized as a California Department of Education Gold Ribbon School.

Curriculum

The academic program is organized on a rotating yearlong block schedule. Six classes per semester is the maximum course load on campus. Students rotate on extended block days; 3 periods per day (odd/even).
The following Advanced Placement courses are offered:, Calculus AB & BC, Statistics, English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, U.S. Government and Politics, U.S. History, World History, Psychology, Spanish Language, Chinese Language and Culture, Biology, Physics I. This totals thirteen AP classes.

Grade Scale and Grade Points

A = 4 B = 3 C = 2 I (Incomplete) = 0 NC (No credit) = 0 Advanced Placement courses are weighted by one extra point.

Rank

Rank is computed on a total weighted GPA.

Grade Point Average (GPA) Calculation

GPA is computed using the above points system. Beginning with grade nine, all subjects, whether passed or incomplete, are included in the computation. A minimum of 220 credits is required for graduation. Advanced Placement classes are weighted by one extra point. Grades are recorded on the transcript and GPA is computed in January and June of each year.

Graduating Classes

Class of 2013 = 28 graduates. Approximately 50% of the class had a GPA greater than 3.5
Class of 2014 = 48 graduates. Approximately 60% of the class had a GPA greater than 3.5
Class of 2015 = 64 graduates Approximately 50% of the class had a GPA greater than 3.5
Class of 2016 = 69 graduates Approximately 54% of the class had a GPA greater than 3.5
Class of 2017 = 111 currently registered

Standardized Test Results

Average SAT Reading Score is 579. Average ACT Composite is 27.1
Average SAT Math Score is 548.

Advanced Placement Results

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Total Students	22	48	100	134	163	195
Total Exams	22	63	174	257	327	389
Percent scoring 3+	63.6	47.9	61.0	68.7	72.4	72.3

Various Colleges Acceptances for Western Sierra Collegiate Academy Graduates: *Arizona State University *Azusa Pacific University * BYU *Cal Poly Pomona *Cal Poly SLO *CSU Chico *CSU Long Beach *CSU Sacramento *Drexel *Duke *Gonzaga *Harvard *Humboldt State *Liberty University *Mary Baldwin College *MIT *Northeastern University *Northern Arizona University *UC Berkeley *UC Davis *UC Irvine *UCLA *UC Merced *University of Nevada Reno *Western Oregon University *William Jessup University *Yale *Harvey Mudd

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