

## Grading

Students have both weighted and non-weighted GPA's and Ranks. Non-weighted GPA's are calculated on a standard four point scale. Weighted GPA's are calculated through the use of quality points. A full point is added for an A, B, or C in an Adv. Placement or Transcribed course (Level 9); a half point is added for an A, B or C in an Honors class (Level8).

A – Excellent Progress.....	90% - 100%
B – Good Progress.....	80% - 89%
C – Reasonable Progress.....	70% - 79%
D – Little Progress.....	60% - 69%
F – Unsatisfactory Progress – No credit earned (lowest passing 60%)	
W – Withdrawal (followed by P-Pass or F-Fail)	
U – Audit	

## Class of 2009 Graduates-452 Students

### Exit Survey

Four year colleges.....	43%
Two year colleges .....	42%
Trade/Technical School .....	2%
Military .....	2%
Full time employment .....	8%
Part time employment.....	2%
Undecided .....	1%

## Administration and Counselors

### Principal

Mr. Kenneth Goncz

### Assistant Principals

Ms. Christina Dougherty (Aa – Han)

Mr. Troy Barnes (Hao- Pi)

Mr. Brian Wetzel (Pj – Zz)

### Counselors

Ms. Catherine Myers, Department  
Chairperson (A-Con)

Mr. Shawn Minnier (Coo-Han)

Ms. Joy Greeley (Hao-Mai)

Ms. Rachel Hiner (Maj-Pi)

Ms. Mary Naugle (Pj-Ti)

Ms Jeanetta Harper (Tj-Z)

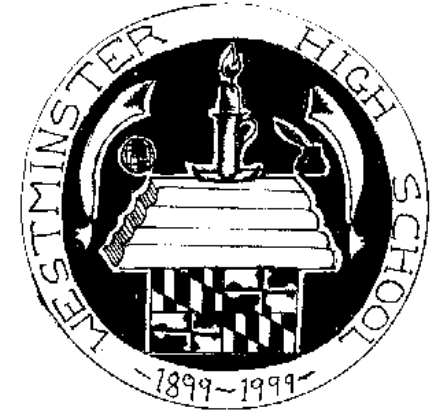
Ms. Cheryl Held, Support

Ms. Susan Berkowitz, Support

Ms. Joyce Seeley, Guidance Secretary

Ms. Pamela Cunningham, Paraprofessional

Ms. Gillian Bradley, Registrar



# WESTMINSTER HIGH SCHOOL

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Profile 2009-2010

College Board Code: 211-080  
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## College Board Test Data

Year	SAT 1		
	Critical Reading Mean	Math Mean	Writing Mean
2007	518	517	509
2008	520	516	511
2009	520	530	502

Year	ACT COMPOSITE SCORE
2007	21.8
2008	23.4
2009	23.0

## Advanced Placement Exams

Total Candidates	227
Total Exams	372
Performance	75% of students tested scored 3 or higher and 38 students earned the designation of AP Scholars by scoring 3 or more on at least 3 AP Exams.

## Scholastic Awards

### Maryland Distinguished Scholars

#### Class of 2009

#### Achievement Category:

Finalists	0
Semifinalists	7
Honorable Mention	46

#### Talent Competition:

Finalists	1
Semifinalists	0
Honorable Mention	3

### National Merit Scholarship program

#### Class of 2009

Semifinalists	1
Commended Students	8

### President's Education Awards

Class of 2009	42
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## Student Activities Program

Westminster High School offers a broad program in interscholastic sports and equal opportunities for male and female students. Other activities include the National Honor Society, National Art Honor Society, Student Government Association, Peer Facilitator Program, three school publications, and numerous other special interest groups.

## Graduation Requirements

Beginning with the class of 2006 a student must earn a minimum of 25 credits beyond 8<sup>th</sup> grade, 4 credits after 11<sup>th</sup> grade, and must be enrolled in high school 4 years.

English	4 Credits
Social Studies (U.S. History, World History, Local, State & National Government)	3 Credits
Science	3 Credits
Mathematics (Algebraic Concepts, Geometric Concepts, elective)	3 Credits
Physical Ed	1 Credit
Health Ed	½ Credit
Fine Arts	1 Credit
Technology	1 Credit
Foreign Lang or Adv Tech	2 Credits
Or State approved career & technology program	4-9 Credits

Students MUST meet the minimum admission requirements for the University of Maryland system OR a completer program. Seventy-five hours of service learning are required.

## The Community

Westminster is a growing residential area (population 26,000) surrounded by farms, housing developments and businesses. The community is located 30 miles northwest of Baltimore and 50

miles north of Washington, D.C. As the county seat, it is the home of McDaniel College, Carroll Community College, and the hub of numerous cultural activities. A considerable influx of people from urban and suburban areas is significantly changing the traditional agrarian way of life.

## The School

Westminster High School, established in 1899, is centrally located in Carroll County and is the largest of the seven high schools, with a population of approximately 1,800 students. The community served by the school is economically diverse. The resident population is a mix of commuters and local farmers, merchants and skilled workers. Approximately 79% of the student's curriculum is comprehensive, offering a wide range of courses from remedial to Advanced Placement. Specific programs have been designed for students with special needs and the at-risk population. It is accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and the Maryland Department of Education.

## The Curriculum

The professional staff of 104 teachers provides instruction for a varied curriculum of approx 200 active courses. Opportunities are available for highly motivated students to participate in the Advanced Placement Program administered by the College Board. WHS offers the following AP courses for the 2009-10 school year: Language and Comp., Literature and Composition; Studio Art and Music Theory; Physics, Chemistry and Biology; French, Spanish and Spanish Literature, German and Latin; Calculus AB and BC, Probability & Statistics; US History, World History, European History, Macro Economics and Psychology; Environmental Studies. Please Contact a WHS counselor if you desire clarification regarding the rigor of a student's transcript. Courses at WHS are offered in an intensified 4 x 4 block schedule which began in the 1996-1997 school year.

