MISSION STATEMENT
Northwest Academy is committed to inspiring students to discover their intellectual and artistic voices in a creative and supportive atmosphere fueled by curiosity and constructive challenge.

CHARACTERISTICS
Northwest Academy is a non-profit, independent, coeducational, accredited, college-preparatory day school, with an emphasis on rigorous academics and arts programs. Assessments at the school are proficiency-based, measuring the skill and knowledge of the individual student. Our average academic class size is 15 students and arts classes range from 3 to 25 students, depending on the subject matter. The school is located in a culturally rich, urban setting, which constitutes an integral part of extracurricular and multicultural programs.

CURRICULUM
The academic program at Northwest Academy is organized on an alternating block schedule with four eighty-minute classes per day. Because the academic program at Northwest Academy is proficiency-based, all courses are sequential and developmental. "Proficiency," at Northwest Academy means “attested accomplishments integrated with demonstrable skill and knowledge.”

The course requirement for graduation is 24 credit units, with one credit unit equal to one year of study. The four-year English/Humanities curriculum satisfies the required four units of English, three units of Social Science, and one unit of Senior Thesis. Other requirements are: three units of Science (two years of lab sciences), three units of Mathematics, two units of a Foreign Language and seven units of Arts Electives. Students must also complete 30 hours of Community Service and satisfy both a Physical Education and a Computer Literacy requirement.

HONORS COURSES & ADVANCED PLACEMENT
Classes at Northwest Academy are all conducted like honors classes; the combination of seminar-style courses and small class size means that all Northwest Academy students have access to in-depth, challenging work. In addition, Northwest Academy High School students earn college credit at the 200 level through the Portland State University Challenge Program. Seniors complete two English/Humanities thesis projects for which they receive PSU college writing credit. Juniors receive PSU 200 level credit for their American Studies program in English/Humanities through the Challenge Program. In the math curriculum, Northwest Academy Calculus students also receive college credit at the 200 level through the Challenge Program. Additionally, students who have completed Northwest Academy’s upper-level courses may enroll in advanced-level courses at Portland State University.

RANKING
Northwest Academy does not rank its students. With only 10 - 19 candidates for most graduation classes, ranking such a selective sample would prove statistically misleading.

FACULTY INFORMATION
Northwest Academy boasts excellence in faculty members, including:
- Former college professors, holding Masters and/or Doctorates in their respective disciplines
- Practicing professionals: writers, filmmakers, artists, animators, dancers, musicians, actors and photographers
- Master teachers with extensive experience in their field

HIGH SCHOOL COURSES OFFERED IN 2015-16

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| iJournalism                           | Intermediate Visual Art |
| Improv and Sketch Comedy              | Intermediate/Advanced Band |
| Painting                              | Introduction to Psychology |
| Personal, Social, and Global Health   | Painting |
| Project Theatre                       | Robotics & Computer Science |
| Tai Chi                               | Tap Dance |
| Technical Theatre                     | Technical Theatre |
| Vocal Music                           | World History |
| Yoga                                  | World History |
**COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES**

- Academy of Art University
- American Academy of Dramatic Arts
- American Musical and Dramatic Academy
- American University
- Antioch College
- Arizona State University
- Art Center
- Art Institute of Portland
- Bard College
- Belmont University
- Beloit College
- Bennington College
- Boise State University
- Boston University
- Brandeis University
- Brooks Institute of Photography
- California College of the Arts
- California Institute for the Arts
- California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo
- California State University, Chico
- California State University, Long Beach
- California State University, Northridge
- Chapman University
- Claremont McKenna College
- Clark Honors College, University of Oregon
- Colgate University
- College of Santa Fe
- College of Wooster
- Colorado College
- Colorado School of Mines
- Columbia College Chicago
- Connecticut College
- Cornell College
- Cornell University
- Cornish College of the Arts
- DePaul University
- Dickinson College
- Dominican University
- Drew University
- Drexel University
- Duke University
- Earlham College
- Eckerd College
- Emerson College
- Emily Carr Institute of Design
- Eugene Lang The New School for Liberal Arts
- Evergreen State College
- Ex'pression, Center for New Media
- Fairhaven College of Interdisciplinary Studies, Western Washington University
- Falmouth College of Arts
- Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising
- Florida State University
- Fort Lewis College
- George Washington University
- Georgetown University
- Gonzaga University
- Goucher College
- Green Mountain College
- Grinnell College
- Hampshire College
- Hobart & William Smith Colleges
- Humboldt State University
- Kalamazoo College
- Kenyon College
- Knox College
- Lafayette College
- Lake Forest College
- Lawrence University
- Lehigh University
- Lewis and Clark College
- Linfield College
- Lucerne School of Art & Design
- Macalaster College
- Marymount College
- Marymount Manhattan College
- McGill University
- Minneapolis College of Art
- Montana State University
- Mt. Holyoke College
- New York University
- North Eastern University
- Northland College
- Oberlin College
- Oberlin Conservatory of Music
-Occidental College
- Oregon State University
- Oregon State University Honors College
- Otis College of Art & Design
- Pacific Northwest College of Art
- Pacific University
- Parsons The New School for Design
- Pitzer College
- Point Park University
- Pomona College
- Portland Community College
- Portland State University
- Pratt Institute
- Principia College
- Purdue University
- Ravensbourne College of Design and Communication
- Reed College
- Regis University
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
- Rhode Island College
- Rhode Island School of Design
- Robert D. Clark Honors College at the University of Oregon
- Rochester Institute of Technology
- Royal Conservatoire of Scotland
- San Francisco State University
- Santa Clara University
- Sarah Lawrence College
- Savannah College of Art & Design
- School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston
- School Of Visual Arts
- Scripps College
- Seattle University
- Simon Fraser University
- Skidmore College
- Southern Oregon University
- St. Edwards University
- St. John’s College
- St. Olaf College
- Swarthmore College
- Syracuse University
- The Arts University College at Bournemouth
- Wallisdown
- The New School for Jazz and Contemporary Music
- The University of Montana, Missoula
- Trinity University
- Unity College
- University of Aberdeen
- University of British Columbia
- University of California, Santa Barbara
- University of California, Santa Cruz
- University of Colorado, Boulder
- University of Denver
- University of Edinburgh, Scotland
- University of Idaho
- University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- University of Kent
- University of Liverpool
- University of Montana, Western
- University of North Carolina at Greensboro
- University of Oregon
- University of Portland
- University of Puget Sound
- University of Redlands, The Johnston Center
- University of Rhode Island
- University of Rochester
- University of San Francisco
- University of Southern California
- University of St. Andrews, Scotland
- University of the Arts
- University of the Pacific
- University of Washington
- Vassar College
- Warren Wilson College
- Washington State University
- Wellesley College
- Western Oregon University
- Western State College of Colorado
- Western Washington University, Honors College
- Whitman College
- Whitman College
- Willamette University
- Williams College
- Worcester Polytechnic Institute

**RECENT SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS**

- American Academy of Dramatic Arts Merit Scholarship
- American Musical and Dramatic Academy National Grant
- Bennington College Merit Scholarship
- California College of the Arts Artistic Achievement Award of Excellence
- California Institute for the Arts Merit Scholarship
- Chapman University, Dean’s Scholar Award
- College of Wooster, Academic Achievement Award
- College of Wooster, Music Performance Award
- Eckerd College Academic Achievement Grant
- Elks Most Valuable Student Scholarship
- Emerson College, Presidential Scholarship
- Evergreen State College, Scholastic Achievement Award
- Fort Lewis College, Dean’s Scholarship
- Georgetown University Scholarship
- Hampshire College, Schuaberg Scholarship
- Kenyon College Distinguished Academic Scholarship
- Lawrence University Grant
- Lewis & Clark Grant
- Macalester College Dewitt Wallace Distinguished Scholarship
- Maryland Institute Grant
- National Hispanic Recognition Program, Scholar Finalist
- National Merit Scholar, Semi-Finalist
- National Merit Scholarship Program, Commended Student
- New York University, Gallatin Scholarship
- New York University, Tisch School of the Arts Competitive Scholarship
- Occidental College Merit Scholarship
- Occidental College Community Foundation Award
- Pacific Community Grant
- Pacific Northwest College of Art Scholarship
- Pacific University Pacesetter Award
- Pacific University Trustee Merit Award
- Parsons The New School for Design Undergraduate Dean’s Scholarship
- Pratt Institute Presidential Merit Scholarship
- Pratt Institute Merit Award
- Maryland Institute College of Art, Presidential
- Rensselaer Alumni Scholarship
- Rensselaer Leadership Award
- Rensselaer Medal Scholarship
- Savannah College of Art & Design Merit Scholarship
- Trinity University Merit Scholarship
- University of Oregon, Dean’s Scholarship
- University of Oregon, Clark Honors College Scholarship
- University of Portland Presidential Scholarship
- University of Puget Sound Scholarship
- University of Redlands Achievement Award
- University of Redlands Presidential Scholarship
- Washington State University College of Liberal Arts, Dean of Excellence Scholarship
- Washington State University Multi-Cultural Award
- Washington State University Music Program, Talent Award
- Whitman College, Walter Brattain Achievement Scholarship
- Worcester Institute of Technology Presidential Merit Scholarship