



West Salem High School  
1776 Titan Drive NW  
Salem OR 97304

## ***West Salem High School 2017-2018***

**Enrollment:** 1800 Students, Grades 9-12

**Faculty:** 76 Teachers  
34 Classified Staff  
4 Counselors  
4 Administrators  
1 Behavior Specialist  
1 Librarian  
1 Instructional Coach

**School Day:** Eight period block schedule:  
Monday – All eight periods (42 minutes)  
Tuesday/Thursday – periods 1-4 (90 minutes)  
Wednesday/Friday – periods 5-8 (90 minutes)  
Two semesters, 18 weeks each, six-week progress grading periods.

**Community:** West Salem High School is in its sixteenth year of operation and is one of eight high schools in the Salem-Keizer School District. It is a community-based school, serving West Salem. Walker and Straub Middle Schools and five elementary schools feed students into West.

The entire district draws from a population of over 154,000 in the Salem-Keizer metropolitan area, and includes 46 elementary schools, 12 sixth-through-eighth grade middle schools and 8 high schools. There are over 40,000 students in the Salem-Keizer School District. In addition to being the State Capitol of Oregon, Salem lies in the heart of the Willamette Valley, one of the nation's most productive and diversified agricultural regions.

**Class Ranking:** Students are ranked numerically according to grade point averages. All courses with a letter grade A-F are counted.

A	4 grade points	Superior	90 - 100%
B	3 grade points	Above Average	80 - 89%
C	2 grade points	Average	70 - 79%
D	1 grade point	Below Average	60 – 69%
F	0 grade point	Failure – no credit	50 – 59%
NG	No Grade	No credit	
INC	Incomplete	No credit	
P	Pass	Credit	
NP	No Pass	No Credit	

**Graduation:** 24 units of credit. English (including one credit in writing) – 4; Mathematics – 3; Science – 3; Social Studies – 3; Physical Education – 1; Health – 1; Applied Arts/Fine Arts/Foreign Language – 3; Electives – 6. Must meet State of Oregon Essential Learning Skills in reading, writing, math and complete a Personal Education Plan (PEP).

**Post Secondary:** Of the seniors who are on track for graduation, approximately 82% plan to attend post-secondary education with 42% attending a 4-year college or university and 40% attending a community college, technical or vocational school.

**Curriculum:** West Salem High School, by concrete measures, is carrying out the concepts introduced in the Oregon Education Act for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. We have tackled the job of developing a more productive competitive workforce through the advancement of technical education and contextual learning.

**Advanced Placement Opportunities:** Classes include English Literature, U.S. History, Government and Politics, European History, Calculus AB, Statistics, Computer Science, Biology, Chemistry, Spanish Language and Spanish Literature, Art Portfolio, and Seminar.

**Honors Opportunities:** Classes in Mathematics, English, Science, and Social Studies are offered.

**College Credit Now Courses:** Students can earn Chemeketa Community College credit through approved courses.

**School-to-Work Transition:** Programs that strengthen the connections between education and employment are offered in accounting, child development, graphics, business and office occupations, computer science technology, health occupations, emergency medical, fire science, and science research.

**Administrative Staff:**

Jim Miller	Principal
Bill Wittman	Athletic Director
Angela Rasmussen	Assistant Principal, Curriculum
Terra Yates	Assistant Principal, Discipline
Travis Myers	Behavior Specialist

**Counselors:**

Amber Myers  
Lily Stanfield  
Andy Sydow  
Karla Tibbits