

OREGON Small Schools INITIATIVE

Woodburn High School

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Campus Principal: Laura Lanka

Extraordinary diversity and growth

Woodburn High School serves a dynamic, diverse and fast-growing community. The school's 1,300 students represent an incredible range of life experiences and backgrounds. Hispanic students are the largest and fastest growing group, making up 70 percent of students. An additional 13 percent are from Russian families—many immigrant Old Believers. Almost half of Woodburn students are English language learners.

Woodburn has embraced its diversity and its challenges, preparing students for a multi-lingual, multi-cultural world. It offers cutting edge instruction for English language learners, and has worked on a K-12 program to ensure all students learn a second language. Beginning with the class of 2004, Woodburn instituted an International Baccalaureate School and is one of only 10 schools in Oregon to offer this rigorous liberal arts diploma program. Four different Oregon University System campuses set up on-site admissions offices at Woodburn this year—a first for the universities and the high school.

Four rigorous schools

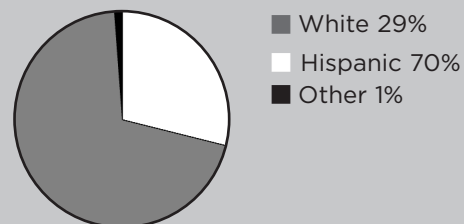
Woodburn has opened four rigorous small schools:

- Academy of International Studies (AIS) focuses on social justice education. Learning takes place with a commitment to bilingual education, with the International Baccalaureate diploma offered in three languages. AIS challenges all members of its school community to reflect on and question what it means to be acting at one's potential as a learner, leader, and global citizen. Principal: Chuck Ransom
- Wellness, Business and Sports School (WeBSS) is designed to develop the mind, body and spirit. All students enroll in rigorous academic courses balanced by an active intramural program, cross-curricular themes and project-based curricula. Students may be expected to take International Baccalaureate, Advanced Placement and College Credit Now courses. Principal: Leo Colegio
- Woodburn Academy of Arts, Science and Technology (WAAST) focuses on learning through natural sciences, mathematics, technologies in a global society and visual arts. Students at WAAST will acquire the skills, knowledge, and habits of mind to adjust to an ever-changing world. All students have access to the full International Baccalaureate program. Principal: Geri Federico
- Woodburn Arts and Communications Academy (WACA) immerses students in a rigorous academic and arts education. Students find their "voice" through improvisation, inquiry, composition, interpretation, practice, performance and critique. At WACA, students may pursue a full International Baccalaureate diploma course of study. Principal: Jennifer Dixon

The following data reflects 2005-2006, unless otherwise noted.

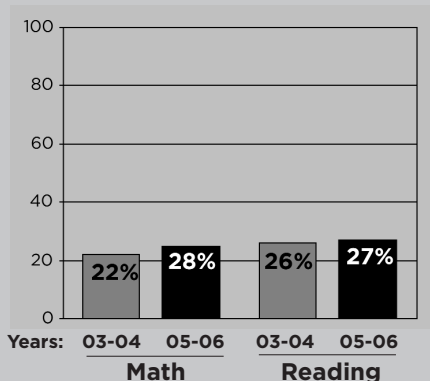
Student Population

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| Total enrollment | 1,311 |
| 4-year drop-out rate* <i>(for 2002-2003)</i> | 27.7% |
| Low-income students | 74% |
| English language learners | 47% |



Student Achievement

10th grade students meeting or exceeding state benchmarks



Sources: Oregon Department of Education and Woodburn High School

* The 4-year dropout rate is calculated by the Oregon Department of Education using a formula developed by the National Center for Education Statistics.

