

About Walla Walla Public Schools

Students

Walla Walla Public Schools educates a diverse population of nearly 6,000 students. The district is comprised of: one high school, one secondary alternative education center, two middle schools, six elementary schools, and a child development center hosting HeadStart/ECEAP programs.

Programs

A broad range of course offerings and programs that are aligned with the Washington State Learning Goals are offered to students at all grade levels.

Staffing

Our district employs more than nearly 800 staff members - excluding substitutes and part-time coaches. Nearly 400 teachers are employed -- 70 percent of whom hold master's degrees. Each year more than 1,000 volunteers team to provide learning opportunities for students.

Finance

The district receives 70% of its revenue from the state, 16% locally, and 14% from federal sources. The total general fund budget for the 2009-2010 school year was \$60,418,755 which averages an expenditure of approximately \$10,100 per student.

Local Levy Support

In 2008 Walla Walla voters approved a four-year replacement Maintenance and Operations levy. Levy approval secures local funding for essential district programs and staff.

The district maintains an Aa3 bond rating, saving taxpayers thousands of dollars in interest costs.

Program Highlights

- All Day Kindergarten
- P-12 comprehensive school system
- Special Education services
- Transitional Bilingual offerings
- Gifted Learning Programs
- Dual Language (Sharpstein)
- Title I/LAP services
- Wide range of extracurricular programs
- 4A athletics programs
- Secondary Alternative Education
- Career & Technical Education
- K-12 Music program
- High School drama program
- FFA
- JROTC
- Various clubs
- Food service
- Transportation