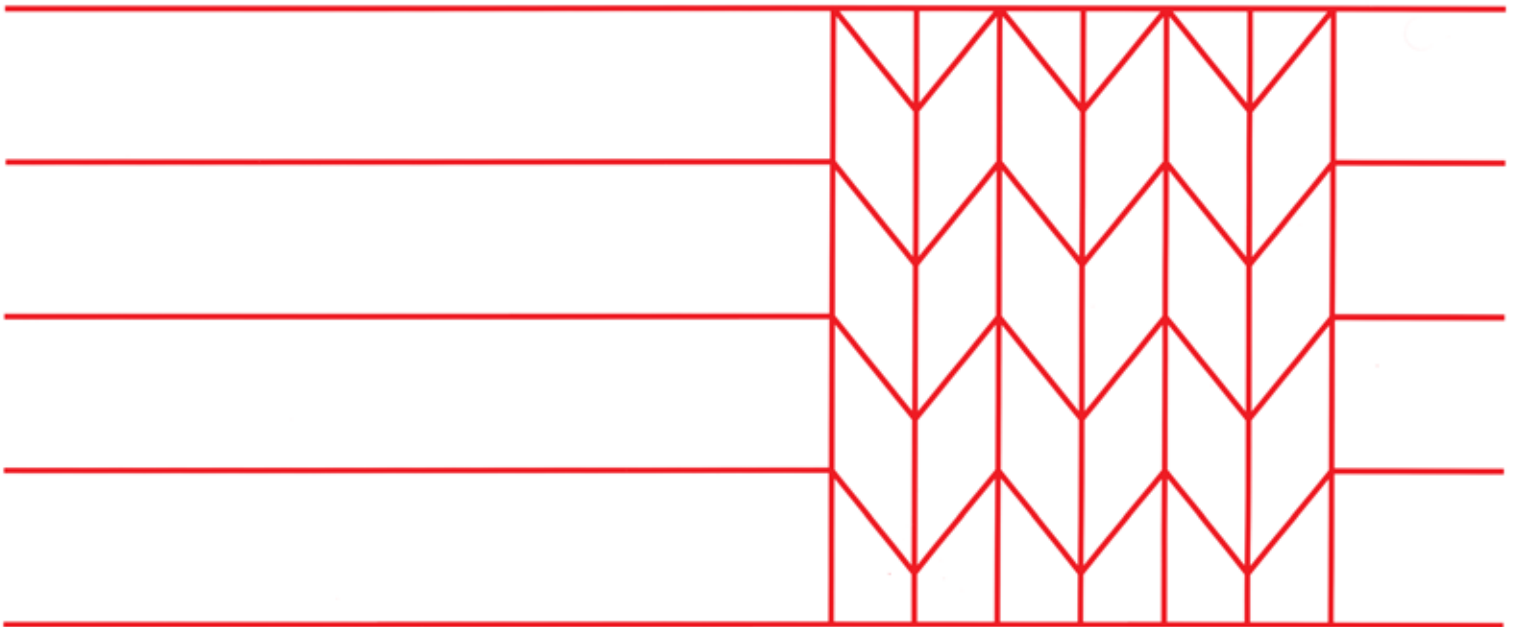


# WELLESLEY HIGH SCHOOL

PROFILE 2016-2017



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## Wellesley High School

Comprehensive Four-Year  
Public High School

Enrollment: 1517

2017 Graduating Class: 356

College Board Code Number: 222285

Accreditation: New England Association of  
Schools and Colleges

School Year: Two Semesters

[www.wellesleyps.org/whs](http://www.wellesleyps.org/whs)

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## CURRICULUM

In addition to the standard curricular offerings in English, math, science, social studies, and classical & modern languages, a vast array of elective courses is available in art, family and consumer science, technology, performing arts and fitness and health. In addition, students may take courses through Virtual High School. Our Program of Studies is available on our web site.

## COURSE LEVELS

H\*—Honors/Advanced Placement/Intensive curriculum

ACP—Advanced College Preparatory curriculum

CP—College Preparatory curriculum

**\*Courses taken at the Honors level, Advanced Placement, or Intensive level receive equal weight in the GPA.**

## GRADE POINT AVERAGE

The level of the course and grade attained in the course are the basis for computing the weighted 5.0 Grade Point Average (GPA). Computation includes academic and intensive courses completed in grades 9-12 at Wellesley High School. Rank in class is **not** reported.

## EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

The majority of students at Wellesley High School further develop their individual interests through participation in extracurricular activities. Students may choose from over 60 different opportunities in service, academic, student government, and performing arts programs. More than 80% of the student body participates in one or more of the 70 varsity and sub-varsity athletic teams in 36 different sports.

## SPECIAL FEATURES

Students are encouraged to excel academically and to pursue individual interests through a number of special cultural travel experiences, school-sponsored foreign exchanges, independent study programs, internships, senior projects, community service and courses at local colleges.

## SENIOR PROJECTS

Students are offered a unique opportunity for independent study in an area of personal or career interest during the fourth term of their senior year. Projects are individually designed and must meet the approval of the Senior Project Committee which is comprised of administrators, faculty and students. In most cases, the project takes place outside of school.

## FACULTY

Wellesley High School has a professional staff of 163. 93% hold a Masters degree; of that group 31% hold a Masters degree +30 credits and 26% hold a Masters degree +60 credits. 7% of our faculty hold a Doctorate degree.

## POST GRADUATE PLANS

### Class of 2015

Four-year colleges	93%
Two-year colleges	2%
Specialized and Post-graduate schools	1%
Total Post-Secondary Education	<u>96%</u>

MCAS—Students who graduate from Wellesley High School have met the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System graduation requirements.

## EVOLUTIONS

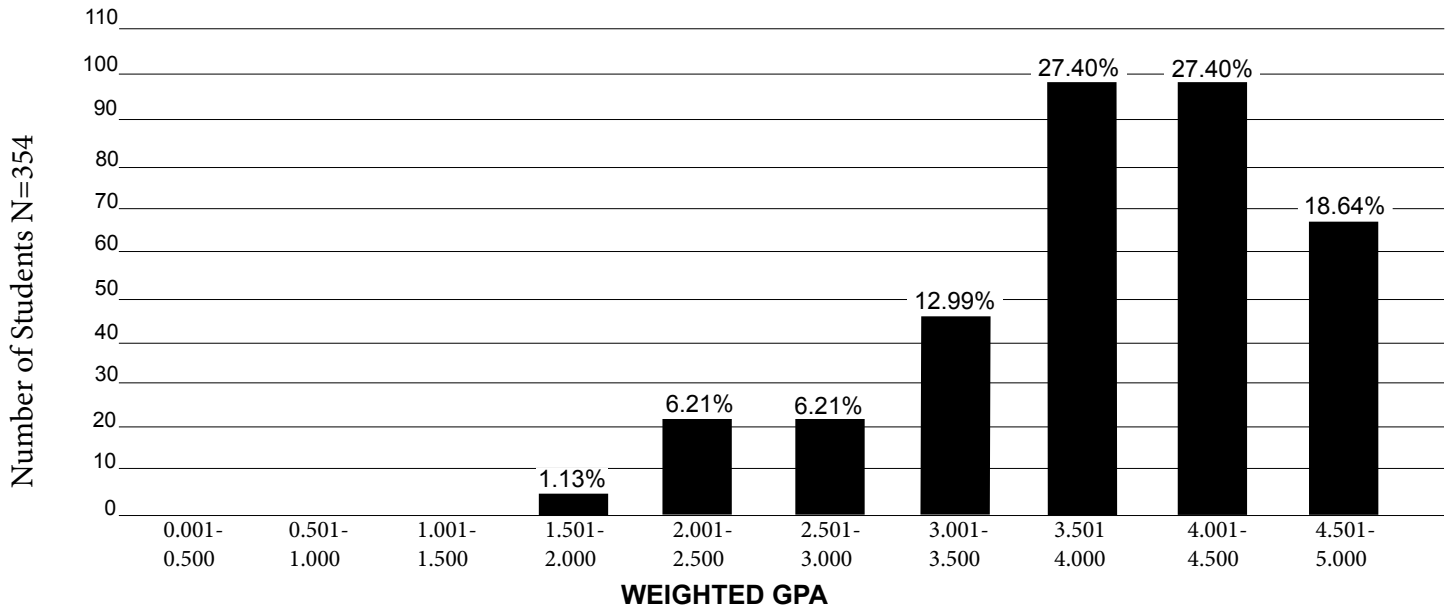
Evolutions is an interdisciplinary program new to Wellesley High School for the 2015-2016 school year. A complete explanation of this program will be included in the application materials for all currently enrolled students.

## COMMUNITY

Wellesley is a suburban town of approximately 28,000 located 13 miles west of Boston. A large proportion of the population is comprised of academic, business, and professional families. The home of three colleges, Wellesley is a community where academic excellence and cultural traditions are highly valued. Wellesley's reputation for having a superior educational system attracts many families to the town and its schools. Students of color from Boston and New York as well as students from more than 20 countries add to the diversity of the school population.

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## WELLESLEY HIGH SCHOOL • Class of 2017



The horizontal axis represents the lowest to the highest possible GPA attainable within the range indicated. Based on September 2016 data, each bar indicates the number and percentage of students in the Class of 2017 who earned a GPA in that range. Calculations are made at the end of six semesters (Junior year). GPA is calculated in weighted courses taken while at Wellesley High School.

### AP COURSES OFFERED AT WELLESLEY HS

Biology  
 Calculus AB  
 Calculus BC  
 Chemistry  
 Computer Science A  
 Economics  
 Environmental Science  
 French Language  
 German Language  
 Latin  
 Physics C: Mechanics  
 Psychology  
 Spanish Language  
 Statistics  
 U.S. History

### GRADE POINT AVERAGES

	Honors (H)	Advanced College Prep (ACP)	College Prep (CP)
A+/A = 5.0		A+/A = 4.5	A+/A = 4.0
A- = 4.7		4.2	3.7
B+ = 4.3		3.8	3.3
B = 4.0		3.5	3.0
B- = 3.7		3.2	2.7
C+ = 3.3		2.8	2.3
C = 3.0		2.5	2.0
C- = 2.7		2.2	1.7
D+ = 2.3		1.8	1.3
D = 2.0		1.5	1.0
D- = 1.7		1.2	0.7
F = 0		0	0

### GRADING EQUIVALENCIES

A+	97	-	100
A	93	-	96
A-	90	-	92
B+	87	-	89
B	83	-	86
B-	80	-	82
C+	77	-	79
C	73	-	76
C-	70	-	72
D+	67	-	69
D	63	-	66
D-	60	-	62
F	0	-	59

### COLLEGE ADMISSIONS TEST SCORES

	Class of 2016	Class of 2015	Class of 2014
<b>SAT I (mean)</b>			
Number of Students	309	309	339
Critical Reading	602	606	599
Math	615	608	612
Writing	598	602	596
<b>SAT II (mean)</b>			
Number of Students	156	161	175
Number of Tests	418	459	477
SAT II	667	667	656
<b>ACT (mean)</b>			
Number of Students	207	173	191
English	27.8	27.1	26.7
Math	26.9	26.3	26.1
Reading	29.0	27.6	26.9
Science	27.4	25.6	25.6
Composite	27.9	26.8	26.4

### AP Summary Statistics

Year	# Students Tested	# Exams Taken	% Earned 3 or >	% Earned Score of 4	% Earned score of 5
2016	313	618	96	35	41
2015	294	524	96	34	49
2014	308	567	94	36	44
<b>Number</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>5</b>	
<b>Average Score</b>	<b>4.20</b>	<b>4.30</b>	<b>4.47</b>	<b>4.62</b>	

### NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP RESULTS

Class of	# Students Commended	# of Semi Finalists
2017	40	7
2016	35	4
2015	26	5

## Wellesley High School Curriculum Guideline 2016-2017

Discipline	Freshman	Sophomore	Junior	Senior				
Art	Animation Metals I Learning to Draw Drawing and Painting The Artist Journal Digital Art and Design Digital Art and Design II Beginning Photography Intermediate Photography Printmaking Ceramics: Wheel Advanced Ceramics: Wheel Ceramics: Sculpture	Web Design Metals II	Digital Art and Design II Web Design Intermediate Photography Advanced Photography Metals II Metals III	Drawing and Painting Intensive Photography Intensive Ceramics Intensive Metals Intensive				
Classical and Modern Languages	French 1 H German 1 H Mandarin 1 H Spanish 1 H Latin 1 H Introduction to Spanish ACP Advanced Introduction to Spanish ACP Beginning Spanish A ACP Beginning Spanish B ACP	French 2 H German 2 H Mandarin 2 H Spanish 2 H	French 3 H German 3 H Latin 3 H Spanish 3 H Mandarin 3 H	French 3 ACP German 3 ACP Latin 3 ACP Spanish 3 ACP Mandarin 3 ACP	French 4 H German 4 H Latin 4 H Mandarin 4 H Spanish 4 H	French 4 ACP German 4 ACP Latin 4 ACP Mandarin 4 ACP Spanish 4 ACP	AP French 5 AP German 5 AP Latin 5 AP Spanish 5 French 5 H German 5 H Latin 5 H Mandarin 5 ACP Mandarin 5 H	French 5 ACP German 5 ACP Latin 5 ACP Spanish 5 ACP Spanish 6 H
TV/Video Production	Intro TV Video Production		Intermediate TV/Video	Advanced TV/Video Production TV/Video Intensive	Independent Study of TV/Video			
English	English 9 H English 9 ACP English 9 CP English Foundations 9 Children's Literature Creative Writing	Film I Film II Media Matters Journalism	English 10 H English 10 ACP English 10 CP English Foundations 10 Children's Literature Creative Writing	Film I Film II Media Matters Journalism Shakespeare H Shakespeare ACP Creative Writing Bible and Myth H Bible and Myth ACP	English 11 H English 11 ACP English 11 CP Shakespeare H Creative Writing Bible and Myth H Bible and Myth ACP	Film I Film II Media Matters Shakespeare ACP Journalism	English 12 H Humanities H English 12 ACP English 12 CP Humanities ACP Diverse American Voices World Literature	
Family and Consumer Science/ Business	Fitness and Wellness for Life Intro. to Child Development Teaching Young Children Joy of Cooking Food, Culture & Society Keyboarding Advertising & Marketing Intro. to Yearbook Design & Production Yearbook Design and Production Marketing and Fashion Merchandising		Business Law ACP Child Study Lab Culinary Arts Business Entrepreneurship and Economics Global Marketing H	Finance and Investments H Global Marketing H Retail Management ACP	AP Economics			
Fitness and Health	Fitness Yoga Fitness Workout Functional Core Training Got Dance		Adventure I Adventure II Health Personal Fitness Training Power Up	Social Issues with Gender and Race				
Mathematics	Geometry H Geometry ACP Geometry CP Foundations in Math 9 Building Android Apps Exploring Computer Science		Advanced Algebra H Advanced Algebra ACP Intermediate Algebra CP Foundations of Math 10	Pre-Calculus H Pre-Calculus ACP Analysis ACP Algebra II and Personal Finance Part I CP Foundations of Math 11 AP Computer Science	AP Calculus AB AP Calculus BC AP Statistics Calculus H Introduction to Statistics and Personal Finance II CP Discrete Mathematics ACP			
Performing Arts	1:00 Jazz Band 2:00 Jazz Band Chamber Orchestra Song Sisters Brooks Brothers Symphonia Symphonia/Brooks Brothers Concert Band Beginning Music Technology Concert Band/Concert Choir	Wind Ensemble Music Theory Concert Choir Acting I Stagecraft	Advanced Music Technology Rice Street Singers Keynote Singers Acting II	Acting III Stagecraft and Design Intensive	Acting IV H Intensive Music Technology Intensive Concert Band Intensive Symphonia Intensive 1:00 Jazz Band Intensive 2:00 Jazz Band Intensive Concert Choir Intensive Keynote Singer Intensive Rice Street Intensive Chamber Orchestra Intensive			
Science	Introductory Physics H Introductory Physics ACP Introductory Physics CP Conceptual Biological Chemistry CP		Chemistry H Chemistry ACP Chemistry CP	AP Chemistry AP Biology Biology H Biology ACP	AP Physics C: Mechanics Physics H Physics ACP Engineering Physics AP Environmental Science Biotech & Personal Genetics Anatomy & Physiology Astronomy ACP			
Social Studies	World History H World History ACP World History CP		Modern World History H, Modern World History ACP Modern World History CP You and the Law H/ACP	AP U.S. History U.S. History ACP Philosophy H American Electoral Politics H/ACP International Politics After the Cold War H/ACP Gender & Sexuality H/ACP	U.S. History H U.S. History CP	AP Psychology Humanities H/ACP Sociology ACP Psychology ACP		
Technology/ Engineering	Intro to Engineering Technology Intro to Design and Technology 9 Robotics 9 Wood Manufacturing 9		Intro to Design and Technology 10 Wood Manufacturing 10					

\*Courses are listed based on the earliest grade year that a student can enroll and can be available to students in subsequent years.