

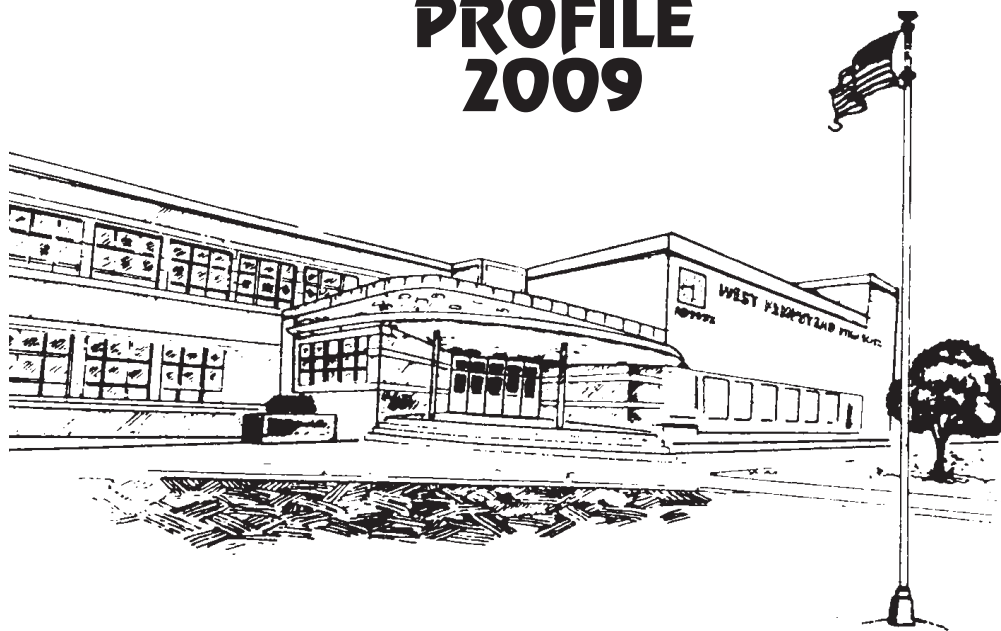
West Hempstead High School

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PROFILE **2009**



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Director
Bernadette Delphine

Counselors

Thomas Alexander

Linda Ragin

Karen Schreiber

Donna Seeberger

THE COMMUNITY

West Hempstead is an established suburban community located in Nassau County on the southwest shore of Long Island, 20 miles east of New York City. It has a population of 19,000, consisting of mostly middle income families.

THE DISTRICT

The West Hempstead Union Free School District includes a full-day kindergarten center, two elementary schools (1-5), one middle school (6-8) and one high school (9-12).

THE HIGH SCHOOL

West Hempstead High School has a total enrollment of 917 students. Of that number approximately 230 are residents of the neighboring community of Island Park.

West Hempstead High School offers a minimum of four-year sequences in English, Social Studies, Mathematics, Science and Foreign Languages. Sequences in Business Education, Related Arts, Music and Occupational Education are also offered.

The levels of instruction are Advanced Placement, College, Honors, Academic and Extended Academic. The level placement is determined for each academic subject on proficiency, testing, consultation with the student, teacher, parent, guidance department, department director and principal.

2009-2010

SCHOOL ENROLLMENT:	917
SENIOR CLASS ENROLLMENT:	213
AVERAGE CLASS SIZE:	26
STUDENT/FACULTY RATIO:	11/1
STUDENT/COUNSELOR RATIO:	240/1

CLASS RANKING AND GRADING

Rank in Class

Weighted values are assigned to grades depending upon course level. Class rank is determined by the weighted average obtained from the average of all numerical marks in grades 9 through 11 (also includes high school courses taken in grade 8).

The final averages of Advanced Placement Courses are weighted by 12%. Honors Courses are weighted 7% (before 2007–2008, Honors courses were weighted 10%).

MINIMUM GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

<u>Required Subjects</u>	<u>Credits</u>
English	4.0
Social Studies	4.0
Mathematics	3.0
Science	3.0
Health	0.5
Fine Arts/Music	1.0
Foreign Language	1.0
Physical Education	2.0
Sequences Requirements and/or Electives	3.5
Total	22.0

All graduates must pass Regents Examinations in English, Mathematics, Global History, U.S. History, and Science or RCT Exams for students with IEP's.

CLASS OF 2009

Graduating Class Profile

SCHOLASTIC APTITUDE TEST

Critical Reading	75%ile	530
	Senior Mean	475
Math	75%ile	540
	Senior Mean	481
Writing	75%ile	520
	Senior Mean	459

DIPLOMA SURVEY

Advanced Regents Diplomas with Honors	9%
Advanced Regents Diplomas	34%
Regents Diplomas	43%
Local Diplomas	13%
I.E.P.	1%

AWARDS

New York State Scholarship for Academic Excellence	7
AP Scholar with Distinction	7
AP Scholar with Honor	6
AP Scholar	13
LI Science Congress Highest Honors	3
LI Science Engineering— State Finalist	1
State Semi-finalist	1
LI Science Meritorious Award	3
LI Science Congress Honorable Mention	5

The Class of 2009 has received a total in excess of \$3,600,000 in grants and scholarships to further their education.

POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION

Higher Education	94%
Four-Year Colleges	53%
Two-Year Colleges	41%
Employment	4%
Military	2%

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Advanced Placement Courses

Advanced Placement courses are offered in English Literature and Composition, English Language and Composition, European History, U.S. History, U.S. Government, Calculus AB, Biology, Chemistry, Spanish, Fine Arts, Music Theory and Italian.

College Credit

Several courses in our school are offered for college credit through local universities. These follow the curriculum for current courses offered at the universities. Our teachers are the adjunct professors for these courses. College credit courses are: English Literature H, Creative Writing, U.S. History, Government 12H, Economics 12H, College Accounting, College Business Law, and levels four and five in French, Italian, and Spanish, College Algebra and Trigonometry, College Calculus for Science and Business, College Elementary Statistics, Music Theory, College Art History, Advanced Ceramics, AP Chemistry, AP Biology, U.S. History Honors, Economics Honors, AP English Language, Theatre Arts, Advanced Drawing, Art History, Printmaking.

Independent Research in Science

Students practice the methodology of independent research, use laboratory equipment, and develop an understanding of experimental design and analysis. Students present and defend their research at science contests, fairs, and exhibits during the year.

Vocational Education

Vocational programs are available through Nassau BOCES. These programs normally require a half-day for two years during Junior and Senior years.

OUR GRADUATES ARE CURRENTLY ATTENDING THE FOLLOWING POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTIONS

Adelphi University
 Albright College
 Alfred University
 Allegheny College
 American University
 Arizona State University
 Art Institute of Philadelphia
 Auburn University
 Aveda Institute
 Barnard College
 Barry University
 Baruch College
 Bethany College
 Boston College
 Boston University
 Brandeis University
 Briarcliffe College
 Brooklyn College
 Brown University
 Bucknell University
 California Institute of Technology
 Carnegie Mellon University
 Centenary College
 Chapman University
 Clark University
 Clarkson University
 Clemson University
 Colgate University
 College of Holy Cross
 College of William & Mary
 Columbia University
 Cooper Union
 Cornell University
 Culinary Institute of America
 CUNY City College
 Dartmouth College
 Davidson College
 Delaware Valley College
 Dickinson College
 Dowling College
 Drew University
 Duquesne University
 Eastern Connecticut University
 Fairfield University
 Fashion Institute of Technology
 Five Towns College
 Flagler College
 Florida Atlantic University
 Florida Institute of Technology
 Florida International
 Florida State
 Fordham University
 George Mason University
 George Washington University
 Georgetown University
 Gettysburg College
 Guilford College
 Hamilton College
 Hartwick College
 Harvard University

Herkimer Community College*
 Hofstra University
 Howard University
 Hunter College
 Iona College
 Ithaca College
 James Madison University
 John Jay College
 Johns Hopkins University
 Johnson & Wales College
 Kutztown University
 LaGuardia Community College*
 Lehigh University
 Lockhaven University
 Long Island University
 Loyola College
 Loyola University
 Manhattan College
 Manhattanville College
 Marist College
 Mitchell College
 Molloy College
 Morehouse College
 Morrisville Community College*
 Mount St. Mary College
 Mount St. Vincent College
 Muhlenberg College
 Nassau Community College*
 New York Institute of Technology
 New York University
 Northeastern University
 Northwestern University
 Pace University
 Parsons School of Design
 Penn State University
 Philadelphia College of Pharmacy
 Philadelphia – University of Arts
 Polytechnic University
 Pratt Institute
 Princeton University
 Providence College
 Queens College
 Queensborough Comm. College
 Quinnipiac College
 Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
 Rhode Island School of Design
 Rider University
 Rochester Institute of Technology
 Rutgers University
 Sacred Heart University
 Santa Barbara Community College*
 School of Visual Arts
 St. Augustine College
 St. Bonaventure University
 St. Francis College
 St. John's University
 St. Michael's College
 St. Thomas Aquinas College
 School of Visual Art
 Siena College

Springfield College
 SUNY Albany
 SUNY Binghamton
 SUNY Brockport
 SUNY Buffalo
 SUNY Cobleskill
 SUNY Cortland
 SUNY Delhi
 SUNY Farmingdale
 SUNY Fredonia
 SUNY Geneseo
 SUNY Maritime
 SUNY Morrisville
 SUNY New Paltz
 SUNY Old Westbury
 SUNY Oneonta
 SUNY Oswego
 SUNY Plattsburgh
 SUNY Purchase
 SUNY Stony Brook
 Suffolk Community College*
 Susquehanna University
 Syracuse University
 Towson State University
 Trinity College
 Tufts University
 Union College
 University of Central Florida
 University of Chicago
 University of Delaware
 University of Hartford
 University of Kentucky
 University of Maryland
 University of Mass. Amherst
 University of New Haven
 University of North Carolina
 University of Paraguay
 University of Pennsylvania
 University of Rhode Island
 University of Richmond
 University of Rochester
 University of Scranton
 University of Vermont
 University of Virginia
 University of West Virginia
 University of Wisconsin
 Ursinus College
 Utica College
 Vassar College
 Villanova University
 Virginia State University
 Wagner College
 Wesleyan University
 West Virginia University
 Western Connecticut State College
 Western New England College
 Wheaton College
 York College

*Two-year institutions

WEST HEMPSTEAD HIGH SCHOOL

Co-curricular Programs and Athletics

A wide variety of co-curricular programs are available. Some of these are: Student Government, Computer Club, DECA, Drama Club, Ink Blot [magazine], Key Club, Mathletes, Art Society, Political Science Club, Rampage [newspaper], SADD, and Westerly [yearbook]. There are twenty-three other activities.

A selection of intramural sports activities from Badminton to Weight Training are offered each year. The offerings depend on student interest each year.

Twenty-five interscholastic sports teams compete through our athletic program. Twelve are women's teams. One is coeducational. Twelve are men's teams.

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