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Founded in 1826 as a preparatory school for Western Reserve College, Western Reserve Academy is an independent coeducational boarding and day school, grades nine through post graduate. Western Reserve Academy is ranked as a top high school in Ohio and among the country's best boarding schools. Our innovative college-preparatory curriculum features programs of distinction that prepare our students for an increasingly interconnected world.

Our faculty cultivate intellectual curiosity through a challenging college preparatory program; our students pursue a rigorous liberal arts curriculum and engage in opportunities beyond the classroom in arts, athletics and service, ensuring growth in mind, body and spirit. Western Reserve Academy's tight-knit community instills individual and social responsibility and welcomes and respects diversity, while preparing students as citizens and leaders in an increasingly interconnected world.

In recent years, we moved beyond Advanced Placement courses, ushering in a fully Independent Curriculum, with 25 College Level (CL) courses. CL courses, are our highest-level courses, are rooted in progressive, research-based principles and a thoughtful commitment to balance and a student-centered classroom.

OUR PROGRAM OF STUDY

WRA offers an innovative college preparatory program committed to enabling academic excellence and to developing well-rounded students. Structured beginning-level courses comprise the workload for younger students, while older students are provided with the opportunity to supplement our traditional offerings with advanced work and a myriad of electives. Monday through Friday, students attend 75-minute class periods on a seven-day rotating schedule. The longer periods allow for more in-depth exploration of the subject matter and extended time for lab work.

WRA SIGNATURE PROGRAMS

College Level (CL) Courses

The pinnacle of academic height and rigor, CL courses replaced our Advanced Placement offerings. The intellectual discourse in the CL classroom is sophisticated, nuanced, and responsive to a changing world and student curiosity. CL courses provide opportunities to demonstrate depth of understanding.

ECHO

- Our ECHO modules are one thing that sets WRA apart from other schools, providing students with immersive opportunities to pursue passions and areas of academic aptitude in depth alongside our expert and nurturing faculty. You might investigate forensic science, critique Nietzsche, or learn the chemistry of cooking in dozens of offerings to match students' interests.

Compass

- Compass is a self-directed, faculty-guided yearlong seminar that invites students to design and execute a project of significant intellectual and social resonance around the themes of Civic & Global Engagement, Science & Technology, Arts & Culture, or Entrepreneurship. Through Compass projects, students have developed a sensory room in an Ohio public school to support children with autism, launched a bow tie company that sources sustainable fabrics, led an awareness campaign to thwart human trafficking and more.

Western Reserve Academy

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WRA FAST FACTS

GRADES: 9-PG

390 TOTAL ENROLLMENT

GIRLS: 49%

BOYS: 51%

AVERAGE CLASS SIZE: 12 STUDENTS

FROM 25 COUNTRIES & 26 STATES

65 % BOARDING STUDENTS

\$7.1M ANNUAL FINANCIAL AID

7:1 STUDENT-TEACHER RATIO

86% FACULTY HAVE ADVANCED DEGREES

100% MATRICULATION RATE

GRADING SYSTEM

In advance of the 2019-2020 academic year, WRA transitioned its grading system from a 7.0 scale to an A+ through F scale and will be noted on transcripts and marking period reports in the same manner.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Courses at WRA earn either a full or a half credit. To graduate, a student must complete the equivalent of 21 credits; carrying a minimum load of six courses at all times. The following department requirements must be met for graduation (the numbers following indicate the minimum number of credits required per department).

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

ENGLISH: Four-year sequence and successful completion of the Junior Writing Exam (JWE). (4 credits)

MATHEMATICS: One credit at the Precalculus level or higher and 3 years of math at WRA. (3 credits)

MODERN & CLASSICAL LANGUAGE: Successful completion of a full-year, third-level, credited language course at the high school level.

SCIENCE: Three full credits in science; Biology, Chemistry and Physics. (3 credits)

HISTORY: Three full credits in history including US History. (3 credits)

ART: Two or three different Fine & Performing Art courses depending on course selection. (1.5 - 3 credits)

ECHO: Students must successfully complete two ECHO modules for each year of enrollment at WRA.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION: All students earn physical education credit by athletic participation or conditioning at WRA for each academic year. (1/2 credit)

SCORE DISTRIBUTIONS FOR THE CLASS OF 2019

ACT Score Distributions for the Class of 2019

	English	Math	Reading	Science	Comp.
25 - 75%	27-35	27-35	29-34	26-34	27-34
Mean	30	30	31	30	30

SAT Score Distributions for the Class of 2019

	EBRW	Math	Total
25 - 75%	610-710	600-770	1210-1470
Mean	670	690	1340

REPORTING POLICY

When asked on college applications, students are expected to self-report serious discipline infractions (probation and suspension) and WRA college counselors will confirm the accuracy of details and outcome. The College Counseling Office will report any significant change to students' applications. This includes: change in level of academic rigor, leadership roles, or co-curricular involvement. The student should report changes as well.

National Merit Scholarship Competition

Class	Number	Semifinalists	Commended
2020	101	5	13
2019	107	6	9
2018	89	3	5
2017	87	8	4

A Western Reserve Academy education offers a transformational experience where students strive for excellence, live with integrity and act with compassion.

FIVE-YEAR COLLEGE MATRICULATION

College matriculation for the Classes of 2015 - 2019. One hundred percent of the Class of 2019 was admitted to one or more four-year colleges and/or universities. Institutions with three or more matriculants are listed in bold print.

The University of Akron
The University of Alabama
Allegheny College
American University
Amherst College
Babson College
Baldwin Wallace University
Bard College
Barnard College
Bates College
Belmont University
Berklee College of Music
Boston College
Boston University
Bowdoin College
Bowling Green State University
Bradley University
Brandeis University
Brown University
Bucknell University
Butler University
University of California, Berkeley
University of California, Irvine
University of California, Los Angeles
University of California, Riverside
University of California, San Diego
University of California, Santa Barbara
University of California, Santa Cruz
University of Cambridge
Carleton College
Carnegie Mellon University
Case Western Reserve University
Centre College
Champlain College
Chapman University
College of Charleston
University of Chicago
University of Cincinnati
The Citadel
Claremont McKenna College
Clark University
Clemson University
Colby College
Colgate University
University of Colorado
Colorado College
Colorado School of Mines
Columbia University
Concordia University
Connecticut College
Cornell University
D'Youville College
Davidson College
University of Dayton
Denison University
University of Denver
DePaul University
DePauw University
University of Detroit Mercy
Drew University
Drexel University
Duke University
Eckerd College
University of Edinburgh
Elon University
Emerson University
Emory University
Endicott College
Florida Southern College
University of Florida
Fordham University

Furman University
Gannon University
The George Washington University
Georgetown University
Georgia Institute of Technology
University of Georgia
Gettysburg College
University of Glasgow
Grinnell College
Hamilton College
University of Hartford
Harvard College
Haverford College
Heidelberg University
High Point University
Hiram College
Hobart and William Smith Colleges
College of the Holy Cross
University of Illinois-Chicago
University of Illinois
Illinois Institute of Technology
Imperial College London
Indiana University
John Carroll University
Johns Hopkins University
Kent State University
University of Kentucky
Kenyon College
King's College London
Lake Forest College
Lee University
Loras College
Loyola Marymount University
Loyola University Chicago
Loyola University New Orleans
Lynn University
Macalester College
Marietta College
Marist College
University of Mary Washington
University of Maryland
Mass College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences
Miami University
University of Miami
Michigan State University
University of Michigan
Middlebury College
Minerva Schools at KGI
Mount Allison University
Mount Holyoke College
The New School
New York University
The University of North Carolina
The University of North Carolina-Wilmington
U of North Carolina School of the Arts
Northeast Ohio Medical University
Northeastern University
Northwestern University
Oberlin College
Occidental College
Ohio Northern University
Ohio University
The Ohio State University
Ohio Wesleyan University
The University of Oklahoma
University of Oxford
University of the Pacific
Pennsylvania State University
University of Pennsylvania
University of Pittsburgh
Pomona College

Principia College
Providence College
Purdue University
Queen's University
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rhode Island School of Design
Rhodes College
University of Richmond
Roanoke College
Robert Morris University
University of Rochester
Rochester Institute of Technology
Rollins College
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
Royal Holloway, University of London
Rutgers University
Santa Clara University
Sarah Lawrence College
Savannah College of Art and Design
Sewanee: The University of the South
Sierra Nevada College
University of Southern California
Southern Methodist University
University of St Andrews
St. Lawrence University
Stanford University
Stark State College of Technology
Suffolk University
Susquehanna University
Swarthmore College
Syracuse University
The University of Tampa
Temple University
Tennessee Technological University
Texas A&M University
Texas Christian University
University of Texas
University of Toronto
Trinity College
Trinity University
Tufts University
Tulane University
United States Military Academy
United States Naval Academy
University College London
University of Utah
Vanderbilt University
University of Vermont
Villanova University
Virginia Commonwealth University
Virginia Tech
Viterbo University
Walsh University
University of Washington
Washington and Jefferson College
Washington University in St. Louis
Wellesley College
Wesleyan University
West Liberty University
Wheaton College
College of William and Mary
Williams College
University of Wisconsin
Wittenberg University
The College of Wooster
Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Wright State University
University of Wyoming
Xavier University
Yonsei University