

School Organizations and Contacts

SIC Members

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School Contacts

Principal	Ralph Schmidt
Assistant Principal	Pasquail Bates
Assistant Principal	Bruce Davis
Assistant Principal	Cheryl Guy
Assistant Principal	Mike Young
Guidance Director	Craig Tyson
Activities Director	Janet Frick
Athletics Director	Burns Harris

Extracurricular Activities

Clubs and Organizations

Adventure Club, BETA Club, Computers and Robotics Club, CURLS Club, DECA Club, FBLA, FCA, Fishing Club, Gospel Choir, Graphics Club, HOSA, International Club, Junior Academy of Science, Latin Dance Club, LEO Club, Mock Trial Club, National Honor Society, Redhawks Book Club, Redhawks Helping Hands, Skills USA, Something Crafty Club, Spanish Club, Spanish Honor Society, Video Games Club, Walking Club, Westwood Fine Arts Production Club

Special Programs

AVID

Convergence Media

Emergency & Fire Management

GEAR UP

Studio D

SOAR Academy

Number of teachers: 89

Number of National Board Certified: 24



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Westwood Core Values

Community

Empathy

Integrity

Respect

Responsibility

School Hours

8:35 AM—3:45 PM

Student Enrollment—1,185

Grades 9-12

School Highlights & Awards

Westwood High School opened its doors in August 2012 with 1,123 students and every student equipped with a Chromebook. We began establishing our culture, our systems, and the "Westwood Way." We are committed to the success of every student by offering unique programming to meet the needs of every learning style.

To focus our efforts we developed the Westwood Way Core Values of Respect, Responsibility, Integrity, Empathy and Community. These five values guided our instruction, our activities, and commitment to development of the 21st century learner.

We offer unique programming such as Convergence Media, Firefighting/EMS, and our project-based learning program- Studio D. Each program increases the success of our students and provides them with hands-on opportunities to explore their interests.

We will continue to build our culture and develop 21st century learners with three pillars:

1. Focus on learning, 2. Focus on developing student leaders, and 3. Focus on community and service learning.

To help ensure our commitment to focus on the success of each student, the involvement of our dedicated parents is expected. Our efforts will continue to include parents in every aspect of the educational process.

Awards and Recognitions

*Student Council named one of the Best Student Councils among AAA schools with the Silver Award

*Student received 1st place in State level History Day Competition

*Received SC Art Commissions Grant

*Girls' & Boys' Track teams win Region

*Numerous students receive National Silver Key award in Photography in Scholastic Art Competition

Student Information

Percentage of:
78% African American
16% White
1% Asian
4% Hispanic
2% Other

For the 2012-2013 school year, each student at Westwood was issued a Chromebook, for a total of 1,185 devices in the hands of students each day. Each teacher was issued a Chromebook and had 72 inch flat screen televisions in their classrooms for interactive learning.

Three Pillars for Westwood

Focus on Learning

Focus on Developing Student Leaders

Focus on Community and Service Learning

Richland School District Two does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, age, or other protected characteristic in its programs and activities.

Goals for the next school year

*Expand on our character education and core values program

*Improve achievement of students on state and national assessments

*Reduce discipline referrals, suspensions, and recommendations for expulsion by focusing on areas to improve behavior first and put learning first.

*Increase partnerships with our internal and external communities

*Continue clear and consistent communication with our stakeholders

*Continue to grow and strengthen the Redhawk family

*Increase the number of students taking Advanced Placement courses

*Expand professional development to address RSD2 1TWO1 Technology Initiative

*Continue to focus on learning, developing leaders, and community and service learning

*Improve programs designed to get repeaters back on track for graduation