

2021 - 2022

Westwood High School

Institute of Research, Engagement and Design

School Improvement Council Annual Report to the Parents and Community

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School Improvement Council

Leadership

Antoinette Boyer, Chair
Connie Evans, Vice Chair
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Parents

Kerriann Bell-Sasser, Linden Boyer, LaShaunda Davis, Cartisha Fayson, Tyrone Gibson, Ruth Nagee, Uvette Pope-Rogers, and Shandelle Simmons

Students

Cuaresma Gillard, Kristina Kennedy, and Madison Lewis

Faculty/Staff

Stefanie Glover and Jason Powell

Ex-Officio Members

Robert S. Jackson, Ed.S., and Tameka Nicholson, Ed.S.

WHS Education Foundation

Ruth Nagee, Chair
Shandelle Simmons, Treasurer
Tameka Nicholson, Ed.S.
Robert Jackson, Ed.S., Principal



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Mission Statement

Westwood High School in partnership with our parents and community engages and motivates students to develop 21st century skills, while producing responsible citizens who are prepared for future success.

Grades: 9-12

Student Enrollment: 1630

Hours: 8:00am-4:00pm



Academic Programming



iRed

The Institute of Research, Engagement, and Design (iRED) is a whole-school magnet at Westwood High School. The school curriculum emphasizes the STEAM subjects of science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics.

Studio D

Studio D is a model of learning by discovery and design. Students are challenged to think outside the box through a series of processes that empower them to answer the tough questions. Throughout this process students learn leadership, communication, collaboration, innovation and perseverance.

AVID

Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) is a rigorous academic elective course that prepares motivated students, in the academic middle, to reach their potential, achieve their goals and prepare for 4-year college eligibility. AVID helps with study skills, organizational skills, writing skills, and being prepared for college.

SOAR Academy

SOAR Academy is Westwood High School's honors program - a small, dedicated community of students who are highly motivated to meet formidable academic challenges, to take risks, and to think deeply, critically and creatively.



SIC Goals

1. Learn in an environment that helps students feel safe and connected (SEL).
2. Lead the charge to rebound from COVID learning gaps (Key Practices).
3. Design experiences and work that is purposeful, challenging, and engaging (iRED)
4. Create, Implement, & Promote a College Bound, Future Ready Climate at WHS (CCR)



Honors and Awards

- 2021 - 100% Passage Rate Equity Lab Classes with Arizona State Univ.
- 2021 - 100% Passage Rate AP Research and Seminar
- 2022 - National Student Council Gold Council of Excellence
- 2022 - SC Association of Student Councils Gold Honor Council
- 2022 - Cognia STEM Reaccreditation
- 2021 - Varsity Football Region IV AAAA Champions
- 2022 - Girls Basketball Region IV AAAA Champions
- 2021-2022 Teacher of the Year: Ms. Stefanie Glover
- 2022-2023 Teacher of the Year: Ms. Paige Brown
- 2021-2022 Support Staff of the Year: Mrs. Vanessa McGill
- Principal Robert Jackson, AAAA Classification President
- Coach Matt Quinn named Region IV AAAA Coach of the Year
- Coach Gregory Bauldrick named Region IV AAAA Coach of the Year



Clubs and Organizations

AVID, Book Club, Bowling Club, DECA, FBLA, FCA, Freshman House, Roots and Wings Club, HOSA, WHS Fire & Rescue, Junior House, Kings of Westwood, Latin Dance Club, Leo Club, Mu Alpha Theta, National Art, Honor Society, National Beta Club, National Dance, Honor Society, National English Honor Society, National Honor Society, National Science Honor Society, National Society for Black Engineers, National Spanish Honor Society, Spanish Club, National Technical Honor Society, Pearls of Elegance, Young, Black and Determined, Prysm, Senior House, Sophomore House, Technical Student Association of America, Skills USA



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