



ABOUT THE DISTRICT

The Tacoma Public Schools is the third largest district in Washington State. The district has been a "lighthouse" district for many years and often leads the way for the state's 296 districts in piloting new programs and implementing innovative ideas. The vision for Tacoma is to be an outstanding school district in which all students exhibit high standards of achievement and critical thinking skills, becoming contributing members of their communities.

TACOMA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Tacoma, Washington

QUICK FACTS:

of Students: 1,500-1,900
of High Schools in District: 9
Estimated Start Date: Early Sept.
Estimated End Date: Mid June

Graduation Offered: Yes
Is ESL Offered: Yes
Fall Semester Program: Yes
Spring Semester Program: Yes

Teacher:Student Ratio: 1:20
Nearest Airport: Seattle-Tacoma
International Airport
Airport Code: SEA



FACILITIES

Many of Tacoma's schools have been recently renovated, showcasing their beautiful campuses. All schools have extensive sports facilities, with some schools (like Foss High School), having their own swimming pools.



COURSES OFFERED



Math

Algebra I-IV, Geometry, Pre-Calculus, AP Calculus, AP Statistics, Trigonometry/Statistics, Bridge to College Math, Financial Algebra



Science

Biology, Chemistry (AP), Physics (AP), Survey of Physiology



Social Studies

World History (AP), US History (AP), Civics & World Issues, AP US Government, Business & Marketing



English

English I-IV (Honors), AP Language & Composition, AP Literature & Composition, Bridge to College English



Languages

French, Spanish, American Sign Language, Korean



The Arts

Percussion Techniques, Symphonic Band, Concert Band, Jazz Choir, Orchestral Techniques, Theater Production, Photography, Jazz Band, Intro to Art, Printmaking, Illustration



Electives

AP Computer Science, Game Design, Engineering Design, Web Design, Entrepreneurship, Culinary Arts, Yearbook, Microsoft IT Academy, Multimedia Production, Modern Dance



EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

ATHLETICS

SCHOOL CLUBS

BOYS

- Fall* Football, Cross Country, Golf, Tennis, Water Polo
- Winter* Basketball, Wrestling, Swim & Dive
- Spring* Baseball, Track & Field, Soccer, Lacrosse

GIRLS

- Fall* Cross Country, Soccer, Volleyball, Golf, Swim & Dive
- Winter* Basketball, Wrestling, Bowling
- Spring* Softball, Track & Field, Tennis, Lacrosse, Unified Soccer, Water Polo

- Art Society
- Band Club
- Choir Club
- Dance Club
- Drama Club
- Debate Club
- Feminist Club
- Green Club
- Gay-Straight Alliance
- Honor Society
- Ski Club
- Yearbook
- Ping Pong Club
- Photo Club
- Woodworking Club
- Math Club
- Navy JROTC
- Orchestra Club
- Youth Leading Change

ENROLLMENT RESTRICTIONS

Age: Students must be ages 14-18
ELTiS: 220
Already Graduated Students: No

****Please note that fact sheets are created out of season and information is subject to change. We do our best to update information, but please reach out to headquarters to verify the availability of clubs, sports and classes yearly.****

COMMUNITY PROFILE

Tacoma is located at the foot of Mount Rainier and along the shores of Commencement Bay in Washington State. Tacoma is recognized as a livable and progressive international city. Tacoma is a thriving city with a revitalized downtown that caters to residents and visitors alike with its shopping, dining, theaters and award- winning arts and architecture. Tacoma offers world-class museums, beautiful parks, and a scenic waterfront.



Population: 213,418
Nearest Major City: Tacoma, WA
Temperature Range: 2°C to 22°C