

# W. F. West High School Honors Program 2024



## Top Ten Scholar

The Top Ten Scholar Award is W. F. West High School's most prestigious recognition for academic scholarship. To qualify for the Top Ten Scholar Award, students must:

- Meet qualifications for entrance into a four year college or university, the standard for W. F. West graduates published in the W. F. West Curriculum Guide.
- Meet qualifications for **one** Academic Honors Scholar Awards or be a Running Start college student. (*Beginning with the Class of 2027, two Academic Honors Scholar Awards will be required for Top Ten*)
- Have a GPA in the top ten for this group of scholars. This GPA is determined by the official transcript at the end of W. F. West fall semester or the community college winter quarter of the graduating year.
- Beginning with the Class of 2027, students can take no more than 2 non graded courses (1.0 credit) over their time at W. F. West. These classes include but are not limited to:
  - o TA/Peer Tutor
  - o Elementary Assistant
  - o Office Aide/Counseling Center Aide

Top Ten Scholar Award recipients receive:

- A W. F. West High School Scholar Medallion to wear at graduation.
- Special recognition at the scholarship and awards night, assemblies, and during the commencement ceremony.

## **Honors Scholar Award**

The Honors Scholar Award is W. F. West High School's esteemed recognition for completion of rigorous college preparatory academic study. Our Honors program is designed to provide highly motivated students the opportunity to achieve their highest intellectual and creative potential. Academic and Community Honor Scholar Awards are offered for five pathways:

### **Academic Areas:**

- STEM, pages 3 & 4
- English, pages 5 & 6
- Humanities (Social Studies & World Language), pages 7 & 8
- Performing Arts, pages 9 & 10

### **Community Areas:**

- Community Service, page 11 & 12

Students may earn Honors in more than one pathway. Students are advised to prepare for their honors scholar pathway(s) with their CCR Block advisor, school counselor, parents/guardians, and teachers in the desired area(s) of focus. Students will submit the Honors Scholar Verification Form(s) senior year to their department leader in the honors pathway for a signature. Spring course completion will be verified by the counseling center.

### **Honors Scholar Award recipients receive:**

- A medal of recognition at the June Senior Award Ceremony.
- The opportunity to wear a Gold Honors Stole at graduation with an emblem representing the area of Honors.
- Special recognition during the commencement ceremony.

### **Academic Requirements *\*not required to qualify for Honors in Community Service***

- Meet qualifications for entrance into a four year college or university. This standard is the W. F. West graduation standard as published in the curriculum guide.
- Course completion grades of B or above in Honors Program pathway(s).
- Must be enrolled as a full-time student on the W. F. West High School campus in the earned Honors Pathway.

### **Department Leaders**

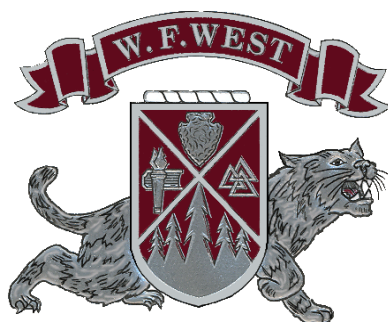
**STEM- Jamie Rakevich and Krista Wilks**

**Humanities- Mary Claire Gegen and Trevor Mora**

**English- Chrissy Fralick**

**Performance Arts- Michael Giuliani**

**Community Service and Counseling Dept - Libby Rakevich**



## Honors Scholar Award STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math)

Students must complete a minimum of **5 credits** from the following list, with a minimum of 2 credits in Math and 2 credits in Science. A semester course is .5 credit. College in the High School courses are semester courses weighted at 1.0 credits. STEM Honors Scholars are encouraged to exceed the minimum credits in the chosen pathway if possible.

Math	Science
Algebra 2/Trigonometry A and B (1.0 credit)	Adv Chemistry A and B (1.0 credit)
Pre Calculus A and B (1.0 credit)	Molecular Genetics A and B (1.0 credit)
CiHS Math and Society (1.0 credit)	Advanced Molecular Genetics A and B (1.0 credit)
CiHS Pre Calculus 1 (1.0 credit)	Marine Biology (.5 credit)
CiHS Pre Calculus 2 (1.0 credit)	Physics A and B (1.0 credit)
Calculus College Prep (.5 credit)	Advanced Physics A and B (1.0 credit)
CiHS Calculus (1.0 credit)	Anatomy and Physiology A and B (.5 or 1.0 credit)
CiHS Functions and Reasoning (1.0 credit)	Scanning Electron Microscope (.5 credit)
	Advanced Scanning Electron Microscope (.5 credit)
	CiHS Discovering Geology (1.0 credit)





## Honors Scholar Award English

Students must complete a minimum of **4 credits** from the following list. A semester course is .5 credit, College in the High School English 101 and 102/201 are semester courses weighted at 1.0 credits. Honors Scholars in English are encouraged to exceed the minimum credits in the chosen pathway through the addition of English electives if possible.

English
Advanced English 9 A and B (1.0 credit)
Advanced English 10 A and B (1.0 credit)
CiHS English 101 (1.0 credit)
CiHS English 102 or 201 (1.0 credit)
CiHS Public Speaking (1.0 credit)
CiHS Intro to Literature (1.0 credit)

## W. F. West Honors Scholar Verification Form English

- Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Full name as you would like it to appear in the graduation program).

- I have earned the:

**English Honors Scholar Award.** List all English courses taken or that you are currently taking. For completed courses indicate the grade received for each course that qualifies you for this award.

Courses	Grade Earned

- Request an unofficial transcript from the counseling center (2 day processing time) and attach it to this verification report. If you have earned honors in more than one pathway make a copy of the transcript to attach to additional verification forms.
- “I verify that the information I provided above is accurate to the best of my knowledge, and that I meet the requirements for this/these Honors Scholar Award (s)”.

**Student Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

- Department Leader(s) Signature verifying coursework in Honors Pathway, Mrs. Fralick:

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- Turn completed form(s) to Mrs. Russell in the Counseling Center.



### **Honors Scholar Award Humanities**

Students must complete a minimum of **4 credits** from the following list. Honors Scholars in Humanities are encouraged to exceed the minimum credits in the chosen pathway through the addition of additional Humanities electives if possible. A semester course is .5 credit, College in the High School French courses are semester courses weighted at 1.0 credits.. Honors Scholars in Humanities are encouraged to exceed the minimum credits in the chosen pathway through the addition of Humanities electives if possible.

<b>Social Studies</b>	<b>World Language</b>
Advanced Placement World History A and B (1.0 credit)	French or Spanish 2 A and B (1.0 credit)
Advanced Placement United States History A and B (1.0 credit)	French or Spanish 3 A and B (1.0 credit)
Advanced Placement Psychology (1.0 credit)	French or Spanish 4 A and B (1.0 credit)
Civics (.5 credit)	CiHS French 121 (1.0 credit)
Sociology (.5), Psychology (.5), Northwest History (.5)	CiHS French 122 (1.0 credit)
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## W. F. West Honors Scholar Verification Form Humanities

- Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Full name as you would like it to appear in the graduation program).

- I have earned the:

**Humanities Honors Scholar Award.** List all Humanities courses (Social Studies, World Languages) taken or that you are currently taking. For completed courses indicate the grade received for each course that qualifies you for this award.

Courses	Grade Earned

- Request an unofficial transcript from the counseling center (2 day processing time) and attach it to this verification report. If you have earned honors in more than one pathway make a copy of the transcript to attach to additional verification forms.
- “I verify that the information I provided above is accurate to the best of my knowledge, and that I meet the requirements for this/these Honors Scholar Award (s)”.

**Student Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

- Department Leader(s) Signature verifying coursework in Honors Pathway, Mr. Mora and Mrs. Gegen.

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- Turn completed form(s) to Mrs. Russell in the Counseling Center.





### **Honors Scholar Award Performing Arts**

Students must complete a four year high school music program (**4 credits**) in one of the following: instrumental, choral, or orchestra. The 4 credit pathway must also include at least 2 completed courses with a \* designation. Students must be enrolled in an ensemble course **all four years of high school** at W. F. West.

<b>Performing Arts</b>
*Concert Choir A and B (1.0 credit)
*Percussion A and B (.50 or 1.0 credit)
*Wind Ensemble A and B (1.0 credit)
Concert Band A and B (1.0 credit)
*String Orchestra A and B (1.0 credit)
*Woodwinds A and B (1.0 credit - 2020 - 2021)
*Brass A and B (1.0 credit - 2020 - 2021)
*Chamber Choir A and B (1.0 credit 2020 - 2022)





## Honors Scholar Award Service

Students must complete a minimum of **100 hours** of community and/or school volunteer service over their four years of high school. **Community/school volunteer service is defined as not for credit, not for pay, and outside the school day.** Along with community service verification form, students must provide a copy of completed Community Service and/or Service to School form(s) for documentation (*these same forms are used in the culminating project - these hours and forms can be reused to meet graduation requirements*). Students will receive a leveled award of merit based on the number of hours completed; bronze (100-199 hrs), silver (200-299 hrs), gold (300-399 hrs), or platinum (400+ hrs).

### W. F. West Honors Scholar Verification Form Service

- Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Full name as you would like it to appear in the graduation program).
- I have earned the:  
**Service Award.** Attach copies of WF West's Community Service form documenting a minimum of 100 hours of community/school volunteer service completed over 4 years of high school.
- Number of community/school volunteer service hours completed and documented: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mark your level:
  - Bronze (100-199 hrs)
  - Silver (200-299 hrs)
  - Gold (300-399 hrs)
  - Platinum (400+ hrs)
- I verify that the information I provided above is accurate to the best of my knowledge, and that I meet the requirements for this/these Honors Scholar Award (s).

**Student Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

- Department leader signature (Mrs. Rakevich) verifying Honors Service Pathway criteria being met.  
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- Turn completed form(s) to Mrs. Russell in the Counseling Center.

# Community Service

6 hours of community service must be completed each year of high school. These hours are to be completed outside of school, must be non-paid, for a non-profit organization and not tied to a grade for a class or a club. This form must be filled out and returned to your advisor.

**\*\*YOU MUST HAVE 6 HOURS OF COMMUNITY SERVICE COMPLETED PER YEAR TO BE ELIGIBLE TO PRESENT YOUR CULMINATING PROJECT. (Total 24 hours)\*\***

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Dates of Service: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Hours: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

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Description of Service: \_\_\_\_\_

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How did your service help others? \_\_\_\_\_

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Supervisor Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Position in Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_