

W.F. West Ready for Incoming Freshman

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Freshman Ready

In the Chehalis School District, preparing students for the journey ahead doesn't just mean life after high school. We create student achievement by walking alongside all of our students in every leg of their educational journey and supporting them in every transition they will face. One major change is the transition from middle school to high school.

Next week, [counselors from W.F. West High School](#) will be visiting 8th graders at Chehalis Middle School to talk about registering for high school classes. Counselors also invite all families of next year's W.F. West Freshman Class to the Future Bearcat/8th Grade Parent Information Night, scheduled **5-6:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 27** in the W.F. West Commons. This is your opportunity to:

- Meet staff from various W.F. West departments as well as our counseling staff
- Learn about the transition from middle school to high school
- Learn about student educational programs
- Be advised about graduation requirements
- Learn about the process to register for high school classes

Freshman transition specialist Adrian Jimenez and W.F. West Multi-Language Learner Specialist Alicia Walters as well as some of the members of W.F. West Estudiantes Unidos will be on hand to help Spanish-speaking families who may need assistance with translation.

Directions for Middle Schoolers Registering for High School Classes for 2024-2025

1. Log into your Chehalis School District [Skyward Student Access](#) (parent login will not work)
2. Click on **Schedule** on the left side of the screen
3. Under Course Requests: now open on the right side of the screen click on **View Requests for 2024-2025 in W.F. West High School**
4. You will see 2 boxes: **Available Courses for 2024-2025 & Selected Courses. Selected Courses:** we have mass enrolled you in some required courses and some teachers have recommended courses for you to take next year. If you would like a different course, just remove the added course by highlighting it and then click Remove Course. **Available Courses for 2024-2025:** Scroll through or **SEARCH** the list of classes using the search field. Select the course you want and click **Add Course**
5. When you have entered all of your classes, click on **Request Alternatives**
6. Add at least 2 alternate classes - do not worry about priority

What Comes Next?

All incoming Freshmen who are current Chehalis Middle School 8th Graders need to have their BLUE Class Registration Worksheet turned in no later than **Friday, March 29**. You may turn them in at Future Bearcat/8th Grade Parent Information Night on March 27 if you have them ready.

Once students register for next year's classes, they will receive their schedule for next year during Freshman Link Day, usually held in August a week or so before school starts. This is a fun morning of activities where our new freshman:

- Meet W.F. West Leadership students and upperclassmen they will have CCR with
- Have their photo taken and pay for items such as their ASB card, yearbook and sports fees
- Learn the W.F. West Fight Song and The Bearcat Way
- Tour the campus and see where they will have classes
- Meet some of the staff they will get to know over the school year



More Helpful Info

The first day of the 2024-2025 school year for grades 3-12 in the Chehalis School District is Tuesday, Sept. 3. The regular schedule for classes at W.F. West High School is 7:40 a.m. to 2:10 p.m.

If you're looking for summer enrichment for your student, registration opens April 1 for our University of Washington Summer STEM Camp, which will take place Aug. 5-8 at W.F. West. This camp is open to all local 9-12th graders and features a variety of hands-on STEM activities. For more information, [CLICK HERE](#).

Want more information about what to expect as a W.F. West student? Here are some helpful links:

- Online registration for students who are new to the Chehalis Schools District and will attend W.F. West High School for the 2024-2025 school year will open on March 25. [CLICK HERE](#) to get started. Our current Chehalis Middle School 8th graders do not need to do this step.
- To view the W.F. West High School and Chehalis School District 2024-2025 calendars [CLICK HERE](#)
- Your student may be going to a new school building but the way we communicate with you stays the same. Make sure your family contact information is correct in [Skyward](#) and make sure you are signed up for the [Remind App](#), the Chehalis School District's primary form of communication.
- While our students at James Lintott (K-2), Orin Smith (3-5) and Chehalis Middle School (6-8) receive free school breakfast and lunch, students at W.F. West must pay for these items. Breakfast is \$1.90 and lunch is \$3.30. Parents may make payments to their student's meal account through our [Online Payment Portal](#) or you can fill out the forms for free and reduced lunch [HERE](#) starting in about July
- [CLICK HERE](#) to view the W.F. West student handbook, curriculum guide and newsletters
- [CLICK HERE](#) to find out who your student's counselor is and to find out more about academics and counseling at W.F. West
- [CLICK HERE](#) to view the W.F. West School Supply Lists
- [CLICK HERE](#) to find out more about Athletics at W.F. West including sports schedules, season ticket information and registration information for athletes
- [CLICK HERE](#) to learn about why attendance matters and how you can help your student be ready for good attendance at high school. [CLICK HERE](#) for Spanish Language version.

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