

A Spotlight on Wantagh Public Schools

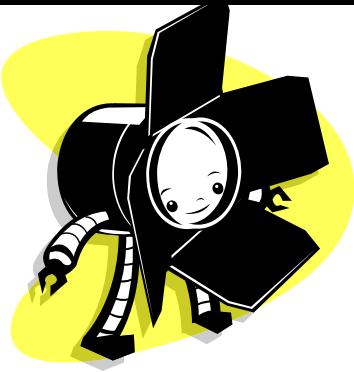
OUR SCHOOLS

Total enrollment as of September 2008: 3,681 students

Forest Lake Elementary School (K-5)	Mandalay Elementary School (K-5)
Wantagh Elementary School (K-5)	Wantagh Middle School (6-8)
Wantagh High School (9-12)	

Wantagh By The Numbers...

- ✓ **99.6%** of students in the Class of 2008 earned Regents Diplomas.
- ✓ **98.5%** of students in the Class of 2008 are attending college.
- ✓ **86%** of students in the Class of 2008 were enrolled in at least one college level or Advanced Placement course.
- ✓ **69.5%** of students in the Class of 2008 were awarded a Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation or Advanced Designation with Honors.
- ✓ **36** Wantagh graduates attended Ivy League universities over the 10-year period from 1997-2006.
- ✓ **1555** was the average SAT score in the Class of 2007. Wantagh's students averaged 512 on the Critical Reading section, 536 on the Mathematics section and 507 on the Writing section. National averages in these categories were 502, 515 and 494, respectively, for a national average SAT score of 1511.
- ✓ **75%** of Wantagh High School students had an unweighted average of 85 or higher through the 2007-2008 school year.
- ✓ **67** extracurricular activities were offered to Wantagh's students during the 2007-2008 school year.
- ✓ **26** of Wantagh's 29 varsity teams were recognized by New York State as Scholar Athlete Teams, having a team academic average of over 90%.
- ✓ **5** awards were given to Wantagh High School's newspaper, The Warrior, at the prestigious Empire State Scholastic Press Association competition.
- ✓ **26** awards, an unprecedented number, were given to Wantagh High School's literary magazine, Escapades, at the Empire State Scholastic Press Association competition.
- ✓ **87** Wantagh High School students were inducted into the National Honor Society during the 2007-2008 school year.
- ✓ **110** Wantagh Middle School students were inducted into the Middle School Honor Society during the 2007-2008 school year.

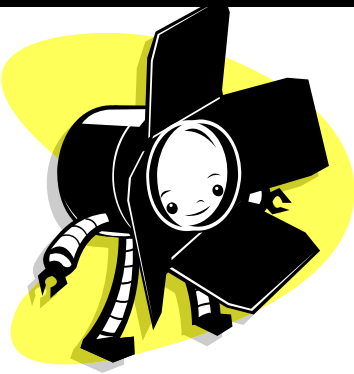


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- ✓ **64** Wantagh High School students were inducted into the National Business Honor Society during the 2007-2008 school year.
- ✓ **129** students were inducted into the Foreign Language Honor Society between Wantagh Middle School and Wantagh High School during the 2006-2007 school year.
- ✓ **1st** place was awarded to a Wantagh High School freshman in the New York State Daughters of the American Revolution essay competition.
- ✓ **2** Wantagh High School students were finalists in the Theodore Roosevelt Public Speaking Contest, with one of them taking first place.
- ✓ **83.5%** of Wantagh High School juniors scored at the Mastery Level (85% or better) on the New York State Regents Exam in U.S. History and Government.
- ✓ **1** Wantagh High School teacher was named a 2008 Educator of Excellence by the New York State English Council.
- ✓ **4** students from Wantagh Elementary School were recognized in the Junior Federal Duck Stamp Program, including one student who was awarded third place in the nation.
- ✓ **2** Wantagh High School music students are representing our district at the 2008 NYSSMA All-State Conference in Rochester in December, 2008.

Wantagh's Other Accolades...

- ✓ The Wantagh Public Schools were honored as a "High Performing/Gap Closing" school district by the New York State Department of Education.
- ✓ For the second consecutive year, Wantagh High School students were honored as the Best Overall Delegation at the Hewlett Model Congress competition.
- ✓ From 2001-2006, 30% of applications to Ivy League universities from Wantagh graduates were accepted. The national expected overall acceptance rate was 20%.
- ✓ Wantagh's athletics program boasted 4 county finalist teams in 2007-2008 (Football, Boys' Cross Country, Girls' Cross Country, and Wrestling), winning 2 county championships (Boys' Cross Country and Wrestling). The Boys' Cross Country team placed 3rd in the New York State Championship.
- ✓ Wantagh's athletes won 4 individual county championships and qualified for New York State tournaments in 2 sports, with 1 athlete being honored with the All-State designation. Wantagh's athletics program also featured a News12/Citibank Scholar Athlete Award Winner.
- ✓ Wantagh was named a Top Ten finisher for overall Sportsmanship for the 2007-2008 school year.



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Wantagh's Scores...

Percentage of Wantagh Students Passing New York State Regents Examinations, 2007 – 2008 School Year

U.S. History & Government	99.2%	French	100.0%
Global History & Government	96.1%	Italian	100.0%
Earth Science (WMS)	100.0%	Spanish	98.5%
Earth Science (WHS)	84.0%	English	98.5%
Living Environment	97.0%	Math A	97.3%
Chemistry	90.0%	Math B	90.0%
Physics	78.0%		

Percentage of Wantagh Students Passing New York State ELA & Mathematics Assessments	2006 - 2007	2007 - 2008	Change
Grade 3 ELA	86%	90%	+4%
Grade 4 ELA	90%	91%	+1%
Grade 5 ELA	89%	93%	+4%
Grade 6 ELA	81%	83%	+2%
Grade 7 ELA	81%	90%	+9%
Grade 8 ELA	79%	79%	+0%
Grade 3 Mathematics	96%	97%	+1%
Grade 4 Mathematics	92%	96%	+4%
Grade 5 Mathematics	91%	93%	+2%
Grade 6 Mathematics	91%	91%	+0%
Grade 7 Mathematics	91%	97%	+6%
Grade 8 Mathematics	80%	93%	+13%

Source: Office of the Assistant Superintendent of Instruction