





### Welcome to West Lutheran High School

#### Why West Lutheran High School?

Searching for the right school for your son or daughter can be a long and complicated process. Cost, location, student culture, strength of academic programs, and the housing environment are all important factors that need to be considered.

West Lutheran High School, located near Minneapolis, MN, USA, is an educational institution that is focused on each student academically, physically, emotionally, and spiritually. Our excellent curriculum and gifted teachers have been preparing students for University education since 1979. Our many opportunities to become involved in sports, social, and service related activities help students discover their full potential. Our supportive and caring student environment and International Student Coordinator help students make a comfortable transition to the United States and allows them to maximize their international experience.

Yes, searching for the right school can be a long and complicated process, but selecting the right school doesn't have to be a difficult decision. Whether your goal is to give your child a one year international experience or to prepare your son or daughter for study at the University in the United States or at home, West Lutheran High School has a program that will allow your student to grow.

Please contact us by email to learn more about the excellent experience that West Lutheran High School has to offer your student and family. You can find West Lutheran on our website at www.wlhs.net.

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## Growing...

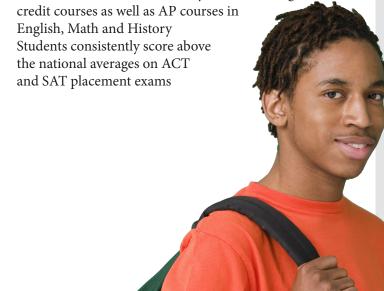
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#### West Lutheran is a solid college prep school with high standards

- Our 11:1 student to teacher ratio means we can pay close attention to your student's learning
- Average class size is 15 students
- Our building is 100% wireless connected allowing teachers to bring your student the latest in learning
- 1:1 student to internet-ready device program
- We feature a well-rounded curriculum that imbeds the Fine Arts with higher level Math, English, Science and History

West Lutheran features a variety of PSEO college credit courses as well as AP courses in English, Math and History



#### **Graduates from West have attended such** colleges and universities as...

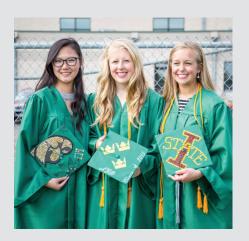
- University of Wisconsin
- University of Minnesota
- **Oregon University**
- **Drake University**
- **Concordia University**
- University of South Dakota
- University of North Dakota
- **Bethel University**
- Iowa State
- Savannah College of Art and Design
- Gustavus Adolphus College
- St. Thomas University
- Stony Brook University
- Calvin College
- Wisconsin Lutheran College
- Martin Luther College
- **Hamline University**
- **Bethany Lutheran University**
- University of Missouri
- St. Olaf College
- Carthage College
- Michigan Tech
- University of Arizona
- Milwaukee School of Engineering
- University of Maine
- St. Catherine's University
- **Macalester University**
- Northwestern University
- **Columbia University**
- **Azusa Pacific University**
- **Baylor College**
- St. Benedict University
- **US Naval Academy**
- **US Air Force Academy**

West Lutheran's academic program is accredited by the Minnesota **Nonpublic School Accreditation** Association, a nationally recognized accrediting organization.



West Lutheran concentrates on college placement. Our Career Guidance Counselor will meet face-face with your student to develop a college plan and seek out distinguished and reputable colleges and universities.

We annually host the West Lutheran College Fair and bring over 30 colleges and universities to meet with our students.



100% of our international student graduates continue to post-secondary studies.



## Growing...

# as learners of English



#### West Lutheran has an established three level ESL curriculum

- Our English learner courses (ESL) are paired with regular English classes allowing a student to spend 1/4th of their day on English mastery.
- The ESL curriculum includes a College-prep ESL course that helps prepare an English learner for the TOEFL test, and the American college campus.





## Growing...

# physically and socially in a warm, caring environment

Your student will be surrounded by caring people

- **West Lutheran's teachers** provide counsel and religious instruction to develop Christian values and character.
- West Lutheran's students mentor and assimilate international students in a close family atmosphere.
- West Lutheran's homestay families welcome international students and families into their homes for an authentic United States cultural experience.
- West Lutheran's International Student Coordinator communicates regularly with students and their families, homestay families, and school officials to ensure a comfortable transition.
- West Lutheran's coaches and program advisors hold students to a high standard of excellence to help discover and develop talents and abilities.

Over 90% of West Lutheran students are involved in sports, service, and leadership activities that broaden their educational experiences.

#### **FINE ARTS OFFERINGS**

#### Chora

- Introductory Choir, Concert Choir, Western Accents Instrumental
- Concert Band, Pep Band, Chapel Band, Drum-line **Drama**
- Children's Theatre, Spring Musical/Drama,

#### **Visual Arts**

• Media Arts Fundamentals, Drawing and Painting

#### **FINE ART EVENTS**

- Fall Concert
- WFLS Choral Festival
- Christmas Concert
- Easter Concert
- WELS Band Festival
- Spring Concert
- Western Accents Traveling Choir Twin Cities Tour
- Western Accents Traveling Choir interstate tour
- State Solo Ensemble Competition

#### SPORTS OFFERINGS

Cross Country, Soccer, Football, Volleyball, Basketball, Hockey, Downhill Skiing Baseball, Softball, Track, LaCrosse, and Clay Trap Shooting

#### **LEADERSHIP**

- International Student Mentors
- National Honor Society
- Student Council
- West Ambassadors

# Growing...

#### **HOMESTAY**



West Lutheran International students stay with homestay families. This allows the student to have a true "cultural immersion" experience and receive the nurturing care of a family rather than dormitory housing. Often lasting, close friendships develop and become a very positive part of the students overall American education.

#### MINNESOTA OFFERS...



Mall of America



Weisman Art Museum



Land of 10,000 Lakes

# in the perfect setting

West Lutheran High School is located in Plymouth, Minnesota, a suburb of the Twin Cities

- 12 miles from downtown Minneapolis, providing safety for your student, yet allowing access to cultural, art, and sporting events
- 23 miles to the Minneapolis/St. Paul (MSP) International Airport, which features daily international flights

The State of Minnesota is recognized for...

- The Twin Cities of Minneapolis/St. Paul, home to over 3 million people
- America's 13th largest economy, home to the world headquarters of Mayo Clinic, 3M, Target, Best Buy, Medtronics, General Mills, Polaris, Cargill and many more
- Is 1 of 12 states in the United States that host professional football, baseball, basketball, soccer, and hockey teams
- The Mall of America, the largest shopping center in the United States
- Four distinct seasons of summer, fall, winter, and spring
- Recreation lands featuring over 10,000 lakes, over 1 million acres of forested wilderness land, and 150,000 acres of prairie wilderness land perfect for fishing, canoeing, hiking, and other outdoor recreation
- The source of the Mississippi River, the longest river in the United States
- The beautiful north shore area of Lake Superior, the largest freshwater lake in the world holding 10% of the world's freshwater

