

# ULYSSES S. GRANT HIGH SCHOOL

## SCHOOL PROFILE 2017-2018



### U.S. Grant High School

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### The Community

Portland Public Schools is an urban school district in Portland, Oregon. With more than 48,500 students in 78 schools, it is the largest school district in the Pacific Northwest.

### The School

U.S. Grant High School is one of seven comprehensive high schools in Portland Public Schools. We serve neighborhood students and many transfer students grades 9-12. The population is diverse ethnically and economically. 19% of our students qualify for free and reduced lunch. Our student body is talented, energetic, and diverse, reflecting the strong extracurricular programs at Grant, including a large and competitive athletic program, a strong Black Student Union that developed school-wide race talks, the Gold-Crown Award-Winning Grant Magazine, the nationally ranked U.S. Constitution Team, Model United Nations, and over 50 school clubs and associations. Grant has a strong and committed faculty, which has built upon a rich tradition of excellence in instruction since 1924.

### School Organization

- Grant offers four 93 minute classes 3 days per week and four 76 minute classes 2 days per week on an alternating A/B block schedule (effective 2015-2016)
- Semester calendar, each semester lasting 18 weeks
- Each course can earn 0.5 credit per semester

### School Demographics 2017-2018

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| Enrollment       | 1484 students |
| Asian            | 4.0%          |
| Black            | 6.9%          |
| Hispanic         | 6.3%          |
| Native American  | <1%           |
| Pacific Islander | <1%           |
| White            | 70.7%         |
| Multiracial      | 11.2%         |

### Grading Calculations (GPA)

The GPA, computed at the end of the sixth semester, includes all subjects in which a student has received a letter grade. The transcript reflects a standard and weighted GPA/Rank. Weighted GPA is calculated by adding one point for each AP course completed. Grant High School reports standard GPA and rank on the secondary school report. If a student repeats a course (R), the GPA on the transcript is reflective of the higher grade earned.

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| A 4.0 | NG No Credit* |
| B 3.0 | WX No Credit* |
| C 2.0 | WF 0.0**      |
| D 1.0 | I Incomplete* |
| F 0.0 | Pass/No Pass* |

\*NG, WX, I, P, and NP designations are not calculated in the cumulative GPA.

\*\*Students receiving a WF elected to drop the course after the first 3 weeks of the semester. WF designations are calculated in the cumulative GPA.

### Academic Statistics Class of 2018

National Merit Semi-Finalists: 1  
ACT Mean Composite Scores:  
283 students took exam 03/2016  
Grant High School 23.4  
Oregon 21.8

### Advanced Placement Testing:

In May of 2017, Grant students took a total of 588 Advanced Placement exams in the following subjects:

Art History, 2D & 3D Studio Art, Biology, Calculus AB & BC, Chemistry, English and Language Composition, European History, Japanese Language & Culture, Psychology, Physics C: Mechanical and Electricity & Magnetism, Environmental Science, Statistics, Spanish Language & Culture, U.S. Government & Politics

40 AP Scholars  
19 AP Scholars with Honors  
9 AP Scholars with Distinction

### Graduation Requirements 2017-2018

Grant students are required to earn a minimum of 24 credits (0.5 credits for each semester course successfully passed), during grades 9 through 12. Courses required for graduation include:  
Language Arts 4.0 credits  
Social Studies 3.0 credits  
Laboratory Science 3.0 credits  
Mathematics 3.0 credits  
World Language 2.0 credits  
Physical Education 1.0 credit  
Health Education 1.0 credit  
Electives\* 7.0 credits

\*1.0 of elective credit must be earned in fine arts, a 3rd year of a world language, or career & technical education

## CURRICULUM

Grant High School offers a comprehensive selection of courses in the areas of Business Education, Mathematics, Performing & Visual Arts, Science, Social Science, and World Languages. Students may challenge themselves by enrolling in Advanced Placement, PCC, and PSU Challenge courses in many subject areas. A variety of PSU and PCC courses are offered – see below. Limits are no longer imposed. Titles include those previously offered as well as current courses.

Students who have exhausted curricular opportunities at Grant may apply for academic study through Reed College's Young Scholar Program or the LINK program at PSU. If selected, students attend class on the respective college's campus in their specified field of study.

### Language Arts

English 1–2, English 3–4  
Perspectives in American Lit:  
Dreamers & Dissenters  
Film & Literature

### Mathematics

Algebra 1–2/Algebra Innovations  
Geometry  
Advanced Algebra 3–4  
Pre-Calculus

### Science

Anatomy & Physiology  
Biology  
Chemistry  
Forensic Science  
Physics

### World Language

French 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> year  
Japanese 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> year  
Japanese Society: Immersion  
Spanish 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> year

### Social Science

Living in the U.S./U.S. History  
History of the Middle East  
Modern World History  
Psychology  
Philosophy & Ethics  
Vietnam/Amer. Way of War  
U.S. Constitution Team\*  
U.S. Government & Economics

### Upper Level Electives

Intermediate/Adv. Photo  
Intermediate/Adv. Visual Art  
Wind Ensemble, Jazz Band  
Senior Theater  
Advanced Dance  
Student Leadership  
Royal Blues  
Sports & Entertainment  
Marketing  
Graphic Design 3–4  
Engineering & Design  
Android Innovation Lab  
Robotics Team

### Advanced Placement & College-Level Courses

Grant High School encourages students to take advanced courses when they feel prepared for the rigor and challenges these courses offer. Dual credit opportunities are identified as PSU, PCC, and/or College in the course title.

(+Offered during select years)

AP Art Studio  
AP Calculus AB  
AP Calculus BC  
AP Chemistry  
AP Environmental Science+  
AP Human Geography  
AP Physics C  
AP European History  
AP Language & Composition

PCC African American Literature  
PCC Advanced Biology  
PCC Library Assist. Internship  
PCC Film & Literature  
PCC Feminism & Gender Studies  
PCC Spanish 9–10  
PCC Data Analysis  
PCC Themes in Fiction/NF  
PCC Words of Warfare  
PSU Global Cities  
PSU Newswriting\*  
PSU Probability & Statistics  
PSU World Civilizations

\*Nationally-recognized

**The Japanese Language & Cultural Studies Program** awards credit based on students' demonstrated language and cultural skills determined by national standards. The program offers learning opportunities ranging from no prior Japanese language learning to immersion, heritage, and significant in-country living experiences. Placement is based on student's proficiency level in reading, writing, listening, and speaking. Students at Beginners to Novice level enroll in *KISO Course* offerings; Intermediate to Advanced levels enroll in *SOGO Course* offerings.

\* Prd

## Recent Graduating Classes 2014–2015

Approximately 76% of graduates have continued their education.

- 56.3% enrolled at 4-year institutions
- 18.6% enrolled at 2-year institutions

### Post-Secondary Acceptance 2008–2015

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| <p>American University<br/>Arizona State University<br/>Azusa Pacific University<br/>Bangor University<br/>Barnard College<br/>Baruch College of the CUNY<br/>Baylor University<br/>Beloit College<br/>Bethel University<br/>Boston University<br/>Bowdoin College<br/>Brigham Young University<br/>Brown University<br/>Bryn Mawr College<br/>Bucknell University<br/>California Polytechnic State University, San Louis Obispo<br/>California State University: Chico, Long Beach, Humboldt<br/>Carleton College<br/>Carnegie Mellon University<br/>Carroll College<br/>Chapman University<br/>Chapman University<br/>City College of New York<br/>Claremont McKenna College<br/>Clark Atlanta University<br/>Clark University<br/>College of William and Mary<br/>College of Wooster<br/>Colorado College<br/>Columbia University<br/>Connecticut College<br/>Cornell College<br/>Cornish College of the Arts<br/>Cottey College<br/>Dartmouth College<br/>DePaul University<br/>DigiPen Institute of Technology<br/>Drexel University<br/>Earlham College<br/>Emerson College<br/>Emory University<br/>Florida Institute of Technology<br/>Fordham University<br/>Franklin College, Switzerland<br/>Franklin Pierce University<br/>George Washington University<br/>Georgetown University<br/>Gettysburg College<br/>Grinnell College<br/>Guilford College<br/>Hamilton College<br/>Hamline University<br/>Hampshire College<br/>Harvey Mudd College<br/>Howard University<br/>Ithaca College<br/>Johnson C. Smith University<br/>Kenyon College<br/>Knox College<br/>Lawrence University<br/>Lewis &amp; Clark College<br/>Linfield College<br/>Loyola Marymount University<br/>Loyola University<br/>Macalester College<br/>Manhattan College<br/>Marquette University<br/>Marymount Manhattan</p> | <p>Massachusetts Institute of Technology<br/>Mills College<br/>Morehouse College<br/>Mount Holyoke College<br/>New York University<br/>Northwestern University<br/>Oberlin College<br/>Occidental College<br/>Oregon State University<br/>Pacific Lutheran University<br/>Pacific NW College of Art<br/>Pepperdine University<br/>Pitzer College<br/>Pomona College<br/>Portland State University<br/>Pratt Institute<br/>Princeton University<br/>Purdue University<br/>Queen's University<br/>Quest University<br/>Reed College<br/>Rhodes College<br/>Sarah Lawrence College<br/>Scripps College<br/>Seattle University<br/>Skidmore College<br/>Smith College<br/>Southern Methodist<br/>Spelman College<br/>St. John's College<br/>St. Mary's College of CA<br/>St. Olaf College<br/>Stanford University<br/>Swarthmore College<br/>Texas Southern University<br/>The Evergreen State College<br/>The Juilliard School<br/>The New School<br/>Tulane University<br/>United States Marine Corps<br/>University of Alaska<br/>University of Arizona<br/>University of British Columbia<br/>University of California: Berkeley, Davis, Los Angeles, Santa Barbara<br/>University of Colorado, Boulder<br/>University of Hawaii<br/>University of Idaho<br/>University of Kansas<br/>University of Montana<br/>University of Nevada<br/>University of Oregon<br/>University of Pennsylvania<br/>University of Puget Sound<br/>University of Redlands<br/>University of Rochester<br/>University of San Diego<br/>University of San Francisco<br/>University of Vermont<br/>University of Victoria Canada<br/>University of Washington<br/>University of York<br/>Vanderbilt University<br/>Vassar College<br/>Wesleyan University<br/>Wheaton College<br/>Whitman College<br/>Willamette University<br/>Williams College<br/>Yale University<br/>Yeshiva University</p> |
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