



2026/27 School Profile

About Us

West Michigan Aviation Academy (WMAA) is a tuition-free public charter high school located on the campus of the Gerald R. Ford International Airport in Grand Rapids, MI. WMAA is one of only a few high schools in the nation where a student can earn a private pilot license as part of the high school curriculum. With

a curriculum rich in aviation, STEM (science, technology, engineering, math), and robotics, WMAA provides a unique educational opportunity for students to focus specifically on high-growth employment fields during their high school education. This better equips them to pursue higher education or technical degrees, and find employment in their chosen field.

School Year Organization

The school year consists of two semesters, with a blocked schedule of 90-minute class periods. Parents receive progress reports at the end of each marking period, as well as final posted grades at the conclusion of each semester. Semester grades are computed based on 80% coursework and 20% on the cumulative semester exam. First semester will end on December 16, 2026 and second semester will end on June 8, 2027. Mid-year transcripts will be available by mid-January.

What Makes WMAA Unique?

- 1 Building Career Pathways:** we offer active, hands-on, skill-based learning that prepares students for high-growth, high-demand fields in the real world.
- 2 Building Character.** Strong academic requirements, in addition to behavioral standards, create a culture that promotes responsibility, respect, and self-motivation.
- 3 Building Access & Opportunity:** Intentional promotion, open admission, and a suite of supportive services cultivate a diverse student body.



Student Population

WMAA draws students from over 50 schools in seven surrounding counties, many driving up to an hour each way. Multiple families choose to have their student live with nearby relatives or family friends to make it possible for their student to attend WMAA. Several families have relocated to Grand Rapids to have their students attend the school.

	Class of 2027	Class of 2028	Class of 2029	Class of 2030
ETHNICITY	153 7% Asian 8% African Amer. 71% Caucasian 7% Hispanic 7% Multi-racial	159 4% Asian 22% African Amer. 72% Caucasian 5% Hispanic 8% Multi-racial	158 6% Asian 6% African Amer. 70% Caucasian 4% Hispanic 13% Multi-racial	162 4% Asian 9% African Amer. 72% Caucasian 6% Hispanic 10% Multi-racial
GENDER	64% Male 36% Female	70% Male 30% Female	71% Male 29% Female	67% Male 33% Female
UNWEIGHTED AVERAGE GPA	3.333	3.320	3.321	NA
AVERAGE COLLEGE BOARD SPRING 2026	ERW—549 Math—540	ERW—540 Math—525	ERW—516 Math—495	ERW—NA Math—NA

Curriculum

Students have an opportunity to earn 7.2 credits annually. Credit is earned with a grade of C– or higher. To earn a diploma, students must complete 26 total credits as follows:

English	4 credits	World Language	2 credits
Mathematics	4 credits	Health/PE	1 credit
Science	3 credits	Applied Arts	1 credit
Social Studies	3 credits	Electives	8 credits

Honors courses are available in English, science, history, world language and mathematics. Advanced Placement courses are available in:

Biology	Physics C: Mechanics
Calculus AB	Precalculus
Chemistry	Psychology
Computer Science A	Spanish Language & Culture
Computer Science Principles	Statistics
English Literature & Composition	United States Gov't & Politics
Macroeconomics	United States History
Microeconomics	

TEST RESULTS (4-year trend)	2023	2024	2025	2026
Total AP Students	211	216	188	221
Number of Exams Administered	366	410	337	455
AP Tests Scored at 3+	271	336	302	393

The STEM endorsement is in place to inspire and recognize students who have strong interest and performance in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. The endorsement will serve to set students apart during interviews and scholarship competitions.



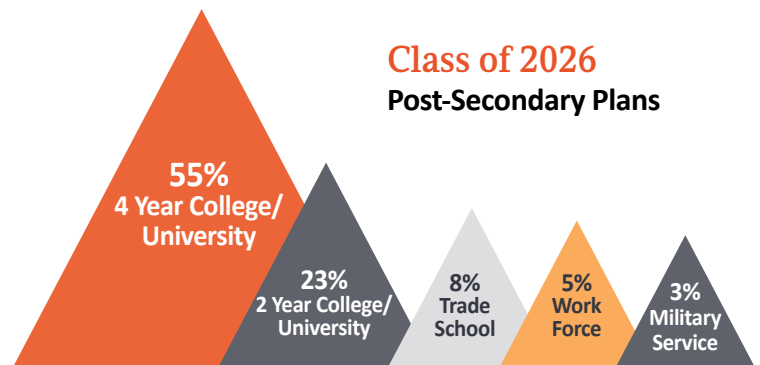
Grades are given on a 5.0 scale, with weighted grades for all honors and Advanced Placement courses. Cumulative weighted grade point averages are provided on all official transcripts. The current six-semester grade distribution for the Class of 2027 is:

Quintile 1	4.6585 – 4.2786
Quintile 2	4.2762 – 3.9049
Quintile 3	3.8929 – 3.4643
Quintile 4	3.4548 – 2.9119
Quintile 5	2.8756 – 1.8113

Co-Curricular Programs

In addition to the rigorous academic program, WMAA provides a number of co-curricular programs, many of which have received national recognition. Among the groups available to students are:

Aircraft Recognition Club	Soaring Glider Camp
Art Club	Spring Break Cultural Immersion Trips
Civil Air Patrol	Student Council
National Honor Society	Varsity and Junior Varsity Athletics
Remote Control Aircraft Club	Weightlifting Club
Robotics	Women in STEAM
Science Olympiad	



College Choices of 2026 Graduates

Aquinas College
 Baylor University
 Bowling Green State University
 Calvin University
 Cedarville University
 Central Michigan University
 Clemson University
 Colorado School of Mines
 Epic Flight Academy
 Grace College
 Grand Rapids Community College
 Grand Valley State University
 High Point University
 Hope College
 Indiana Wesleyan University
 Kettering University
 Lake Superior State University
 Legacy Aviation
 Liberty University

Michigan State University
 Michigan Technological University
 Northern Michigan University
 Northwestern Michigan College
 Oakland University
 Oral Roberts University
 Palette Cosmetology Academy
 Paul Mitchell School
 Saint Louis University
 School of Missionary Aviation Technology
 Spring Arbor University
 Taylor University
 University of Michigan
 University of Michigan — Flint
 Western Michigan University