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### The Setting

Fife School District is located east of the city of Tacoma in the Puyallup Valley. The district is about 10 square miles and falls in both Pierce and King Counties of Washington State. The district includes two cities—Fife, with a population of 4000, and Milton, with a population of 6000. The district also includes the unincorporated areas of Trout Lake, Jovita, Fife Heights, and part of the City of Edgewood. A portion of the Port of Tacoma is also included in the district. There is easy access to the district from the Fife/Milton Exit #137 off Interstate 5 between Seattle and Tacoma. The drive to Tacoma is about 5 minutes, to Seattle-Tacoma International Airport is about 20 minutes, and to Seattle about 30 minutes.

### Fife School District Mission

The core business of the Fife School District is to produce work that engages students.  
 » Work that is so compelling that students persist when they experience difficulties.  
 » Work that is so challenging that students have a sense of accomplishment and satisfaction when they accomplish the tasks assigned.

### Performance Report 2015-2016

This report profiles the characteristics of Fife High School and Fife School District students, staff, services, and facilities.

Fife High School serves grades 10-12. The Fife School District is comprised of six schools: Fife High, Columbia Junior High, Surprise Lake Middle, Hedden and Endeavour Elementaries, and Discovery Primary. The total student population is 3555 students and district growth is about 4% annually.

We provide a strong basic skills program for all students, enhanced by offerings in alternative and special education. We rely on the cooperative efforts of a dedicated staff, involved families, and a supportive community to serve our students' range of educational needs.

### FIFE HIGH SCHOOL 'We Believe'

Our core mission is to design engaging work for students and to lead students to succeed in that work.

- ⇒ Every student CAN learn.
- ⇒ Students are volunteers of their time, effort, and attention.
- ⇒ Students are expected to learn important content and develop critical intellectual skills.
- ⇒ Students and staff are global citizens. Respecting and accepting diversity.
- ⇒ Positive student-staff connections strengthen the level of engagement and learning.
- ⇒ It is the responsibility of the community, parents, administrators, staff and students to support this learning organization.

### Some Special Accomplishments in 2015-2016

- 17 students received Washington State Honors Awards
- 1 Tacoma News Tribune All-Star Graduate Nominees
- State Athletics/Clubs: State Participants in Baseball, Cross Country, Fastpitch, Football, Girls Basketball, Volleyball, Girls Swim & Dive, Boys Swim, Track, Golf, Wrestling, Boys Soccer, FBLA, FFA, and TSA
- 15 FBLA National Participants
- 7 TSA National Participants
- 6 South Puget Sound League Outstanding Juniors
- 84 students became Renaissance members during the year by earning a GPA of 3.5-4.0 or by increasing their GPA by .5 from the previous semester
- 17 Senior Students received Associate Degrees via Running Start
- 200 Students earned college credit through the Dual Credit Program
- 270 Microsoft or Adobe Photoshop Industry certifications were earned.
- 3 United Way Varsity Letter for Community Service
- 1 UW Washington Aerospace Scholarship Program Participant

### Our Students: 2015-2016

Ethnicity	#
American Indian/Alaska Native	10
Asian	68
Black	26
Hispanic	143
Two or More Races	101
Pacific Islander/Native Hawaiian	28
White	416
*Above reflects ethnicity per State data requirements as submitted thus a student may be counted in multiple categories.	
Male	401
Female	391
Total	792

### Our Staff

Certificated	Number
Administrators	3
Dean	.5
Classroom Teachers	30.3
Counselors	2
ELL Staff	.5
Librarian	1
Nurse	.5
Special Services Staff	2.8
Special Programs Staff	1
CTE Teachers	10.4
Classified	
Custodial Staff	4.25
Educational Assistants	10
Office	4
School Resource Officer	1
Food Service Workers	7
<b>Total {FTE}</b>	<b>78.25</b>

### Curriculum and Class Size

The student-to-teacher ratio in 2015-2016 was about 18 to 1. Only a limited number of individual classes were greater than 30 students.

Complete information concerning graduation requirements, curriculum departments, specific classes, and related topics can be found in the Fife High School **Curriculum Guide**, which is available at the building or on the school website.

### Financial Resources: Fife School District

District Budget		
Per Pupil Expenditures for 2014-2015		
Total K-12 full time students including Vocational/Secondary		\$ 3346.85
	Total Amount	Per Pupil
Certificated Staff	\$ 21,501,921	\$ 6424
Classified Staff	\$ 8,326,904	\$ 2487
Extra-Curricular	\$ 900,879	\$ 269
Transportation	\$ 1,772,605	\$ 529
Instructional Support	\$ 3,463,832	\$ 1,034
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 35,966,142</b>	<b>\$ 10,746</b>

### Financial Resources: Fife High School

Building Budget 2014-2015	
Building Budget	\$ 160,747
CTE Budget	\$ 236,433
Building Expenditures	
Instructional Support	84.77 %
Library	1.55 %
Support Services	13.68 %

**Instructional Support:** Pays for items directly related to classroom instruction, including books and other supplies.

**Library:** Pays for books, magazines, audio/visual materials, and supplies.

**Support Services:** Pays for general office supplies, reproduction/copy costs, mailing, general teacher supply needs, and includes counseling, office, and contractual costs.

## Standardized Test Scores

### Scholastic Aptitude Test

The SAT is administered at a variety of testing sites during the school year. Results are mailed to Fife High School where they are stored in individual student records and distributed to students and their counselors.

\*Scores unavailable at time of printing.

	FHS	State	National
2014 Reading	475	510	497
2014 Math	483	518	513
2014 Writing	455	491	487
2015 Reading	495	502	487
2015 Math	487	510	486
2015 Writing	468	484	461
2016 Reading / Writing	486	565	551
2016 Math	504	560	544

### State Assessment Results

The State of Washington requires that all students who wish to receive a high school diploma must pass state assessments in English Language Arts (ELA), Geometry or Algebra, and Biology End of Course Assessments (EOC). and Biology End of Course Assessments (EOC).

Fife High School 10 <sup>th</sup> Grade Scores			
	2013	2014	2015
Reading	81.7 %	78.9 %	SBA ELA 79%
Writing	87.4 %	85.5 %	
Math EOC	Algebra: 73.3 % Geometry: 85 %	Algebra: 18.7 % Geometry: N/A	Algebra: 55 % SBA Math: 27 %
Science EOC	Biology EOC: 68.2 %	70.9 %	59 %

Washington State Averages: 10 <sup>th</sup> Grade Scores			
	2013	2014	2015
Reading	83.6 %	82.9 %	SBA ELA 26.3 %
Writing	85.0 %	85.6 %	
Math EOC	Algebra: 76 % Geometry: 83.3 %	Algebra: 58.3 % Geometry: 53.3 %	Algebra: 53.4 % SBA Math: 13.7 %
Science EOC	71.6 %	70.2 %	36.8 %

## Regular and Special Programs

In addition to the basic program for grades 10-12, enhancements include:

- Counseling Services
- Psychologist (1/2 time)
- Work Based Learning
- Nurse (1/2 time)
- Librarian
- Special Education
- Band and Choral
- Advanced Placement English, U.S. History & Government
- Anatomy and Physiology
- English as a Second Language
- CTE programs and cooperative agreements with area technical colleges
- Microsoft Academy
- Free all-subject after school tutoring
- After school open computer lab

### Attendance Rates

The average daily attendance rate for Fife High School during the 2015-2016 school year was 92.49 %.

### Attendance Appeals

137 Students lost credit in one or more classes. 137 Appeals were granted.

### Graduation and Drop Out Rates: FHS Class of 2016

	Male		Female		Total	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
% graduating after 4 years	103	75.2	109	83.2	212	79.1
Sr's dropping out this year	9	6.6	2	1.5	11	4.1
Returning Sr Non-Grads	17	12.4	9	6.9	26	9.7
Earned HS Diploma via Running Start	8	5.8	11	8.4	19	7.1

### Grade Point Average

The cumulative GPA for FHS students for the 2015-2016 school year was 2.797.

## New Enrollment/Withdrawals 2015-2016

76 new students enrolled at Fife High School during the '15-'16 school year.

106 students withdrew from Fife High School during the '15-'16 school year.

### Facility Information

In 1994 an extensive remodeling and expansion project for the high school was completed. All of the buildings on campus have been remodeled and updated to the latest safety codes. Upkeep has been ongoing and we are fortunate to have a campus of which we can all be proud. Students and staff enjoy a modern facility designed to enhance learning and to create a safe environment. The community, faculty, and students take pride in the appearance of the school and the role the school plays in the community.

### Involvement Opportunities

Education is truly a cooperative effort among parents, students, staff, and the community. Your support and help is appreciated.

- If your business is interested in a school/business partnership, contact the Superintendent's Office at 253-517-1000.
- We encourage family members to join the Fife High School Booster Club. This parent organization is very active in many school projects.
- If you are interested in volunteering at one of the district schools, please contact the principal's office. All volunteers are required to complete a Washington State Patrol background check.

### Fife School District Non-Discrimination

Fife School District does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The following employees have been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination: Title IX Coordinator, Ben Ramirez, Assistant Superintendent: [bramirez@fifeschools.com](mailto:bramirez@fifeschools.com). Section 504/ADA Coordinator, Nancy Fitta, Director of Special Programs: [nfitta@fifeschools.com](mailto:nfitta@fifeschools.com) Fife Public Schools: 5802 20th St. E., Tacoma, WA 98424, [253.517.1000](tel:253.517.1000).



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