• **Magnet Program**
Northwest High Magnet School’s magnet strands prepare students for future careers in the fields of law, international diplomacy, and government. Students choose from a variety of specialized classes such as forensics, fire chemistry, model United Nations, political science, culture and social change, criminal justice, legal research, and many more. These specialized classes allow students to explore different career fields and build skillsets which will allow them to become tomorrow’s leaders.

Magnet students are encouraged to challenge themselves with rigorous classes. Northwest Magnet offers approximately 70 Honors and AP classes. Service learning is considered integral to student development and magnet students are provided opportunities to involve themselves in these activities.

• **AVID**
AVID is an elementary through postsecondary college readiness system, designed to increase school wide learning and performance. The system accelerates student learning, is research-based with proven results of student success, provides meaningful and motivating professional development and is a catalyst for systemic reform and change.

AVID’s curriculum is based on rigorous standards, WICR (writing, inquiry, collaboration, reading) strategies, Cornell note-taking and Socratic seminars.

• **Extra-Curricular Athletics**
Northwest High Magnet School sponsors a broad program in both interscholastic and intramural sports, including 19 varsity sports with equal opportunities for female and male students. Other activities include over 30 school-sponsored clubs and organizations. Students are encouraged to participate in extra-curricular activities as a means of developing leadership skills.

• **Mission Statement**
The mission of Omaha Northwest High School, a community of learners, is to provide educational opportunities which enable ALL students to achieve and lead in academic success.

• **Accreditation**
The Omaha Public School District is one of a select group of school districts in the state of Nebraska having a “AA” rating, the highest possible, from the State Department of Education. Northwest High Magnet School is also a member of, and accredited by, the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

• **NACAC**
Northwest High Magnet School is a member of the National Association for College Admission Counseling (NACAC) and complies with the NACAC Statement of Principles of Good Practice.

• **AP Scholars**
AP Scholars with Distinction: 1 (2015)

• **National Merit Scholarship Program**
Commended: 1 (2013)

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School Code 281-722
Northwest High Magnet School opened in September of 1971. The facility is located on a beautifully landscaped 61 acre campus in the northwest area of the Omaha Public School District. From 1971 until 1988 the student body consisted of grades ten through twelve. In 1988 the ninth grade was added.

Course offerings at Northwest High Magnet School are designed to provide each student with opportunities to successfully pursue post-secondary education and career related fields. Offering over 180 different courses within an established framework focusing on Pre-Law, Government and International Diplomacy Northwest High Magnet School continues to revise its curriculum with new course considerations each year. Students are encouraged to explore a variety of interests for individual career and post-secondary pathways while acquiring essential learning and leadership skills.

### Student Composition
- African American: 36.8%
- Asian: 14%
- Caucasian: 28.6%
- Hispanic: 14.8%
- Native American: 1.4%
- Two or more races: 4.3%
- Total student enrollment: 1613

### Graduation Requirements

#### Semester Credits (Minimum)
- English: 8
- Science: 6
- Mathematics: 6
- Social Studies: 7
- Physical Education/Band/ROTC: 4
- Human Growth & Development: 1
- FACTS: 1
- Personal Finance: 1
- Electives: 16
- Total Credits: 49

### Grading System – Standard based Grading

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#### Ranking and GPA System

Students are ranked according to their cumulative weighted grade point averages (5.0 base) at the end of each semester. All subjects are included in ranking and GPA.

- Highest GPA for 2018: 4.85
- Median GPA for 2018: 2.75
- Number of Honors courses: 52
- Number of AP Courses: 17

### Calendar-Credit Assignment

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### Statistics

#### 2017 Graduates

- Attending four-year Colleges: 26.4%
- Attending two-year Colleges: 24.8%
- Enrolled in Nebraska Colleges: 82.4%
- Enrolled in out-of-state Colleges: 17.6%
- Enrolled in Public Colleges: 98.6%
- Enrolled in Private Colleges: 1.4%

#### 2017 American College Testing (ACT)

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### Curriculum

To meet the interests and needs of all students, Northwest High Magnet School offers the following courses and program opportunities:

- Advanced Placement Courses
- Dual Enrollment
- Intensive Interest Programs
- English as a Second Language
- Career/Vocational Courses
- Outcome-Based School Counseling Program

### Honors and Advance Placement Courses

- Honors Algebra 1-4
- Honors Pre-Calculus/Trig
- Honors Probability/Stats
- Honors Discrete Mathematics
- AP Calculus AB
- AP Calculus BC
- AP Statistics
- AP AVID 1-8
- Honors US History
- Honors Economics
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- Honors Human Geography
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- Honors Forensic Science 3-6
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- Honors CAD Engineering 7-8
- Honors Industrial Materials 7-8
- Honors Intro to Business
- Honors Child Development
- Honors Human Growth
- Honors RROTC 7-8

### Highest level courses in each academic department:

- Business/Marketing: Honors Adv. Accounting
- English: AP Literature & Composition
- International Languages: AP French Language & Spanish Language
- Family & Consumer Sciences: Honors Child Development
- Industrial Technology: Hon. CAD Engineering 7-8
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- Physical Education: Advanced Weight Training
- Science: AP Physics
- Social Studies: AP American Government

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- Industrial Technology: Hon. CAD Engineering 7-8
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- English: 8

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