



# JOEL E. FERRIS HIGH SCHOOL

## 2022 SCHOOL PROFILE

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## BY THE NUMBERS\*



**90%**  
4-year graduation rate

**44.4%**  
qualify for reduced-priced lunches

**31.6%**  
are students of color

## ACCOLADES



## STEM STRONG

**Project Lead The Way**  
for Biomedical & Engineering: Ferris has a 4-year program.

Over the last two years, 4th-year biomed students have won awards in state, national, and international science fairs.



## HISTORY

Joel E. Ferris High School is a four-year public high school in southeast Spokane, Washington. It was built in 1963 and was named for Joel E. Ferris (1874–1960), one of Spokane's leading citizens. A major renovation was completed in 2014 to accommodate the expanding student population.

## CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS & HIGHLIGHTS

A focus on rigorous academic opportunities and high expectations is evident in the success of Ferris students. Spokane's district-wide goal is T-2-4: inspiring and preparing students to pursue a post-secondary education at a technical, two-year, or four-year college.

SUBJECTS	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
<b>Arts</b> 2 years required	One arts course			
<b>English</b> 4 years required	English 9 or Honors English 9	English 10 or Honors Eng 10	English 11 or Eng. Lang. Comp*	English Electives* or Eng. Lit. Comp*
<b>Social Studies</b> 3 years required	World History*	World History European Hist.*	US History*	History Electives*
<b>World Languages</b> 2 years required	Japanese Spanish*	French German	Students must complete at least two sequential years in a single language for direct entry into a 4-year college.	
<b>Mathematics</b> 3 years required	Algebra I Geometry Algebra II	Geometry Algebra II Precalculus	Geometry Precalculus Calculus AB/BC	Precalculus Calculus AB/BC Statistics*
<b>Physical Education</b> 3 semesters required	Health & Intro to Fitness	Two Fitness Electives		
<b>Science</b> 3 years required	Biology	Chemistry Physics or Science Elective	Biology* Chemistry* or Science Elective	Environ. Science* Psychology* Physics* or Sci Elective

\*AP offered in these courses.

## AP SCHOLAR ROSTER 2022

## AP COURSES: 19

	Number	
AP Scholar	19	Biology Calculus AB Calculus BC Capstone Chemistry Comparative Gov't & Politics Computer Science English Language English Literature Environ. Science
AP Scholar with Honors	10	Physics 1 Psychology Spanish Language Statistics Studio Art 2D, Photo Studio Art, Drawing US Gov't & Politics US History World History
AP Scholar with Distinction	4	
<b>19 courses; 33 scholars</b>		

## What makes Ferris unique?

Ferris High School is home to the Newcomers Center. The Newcomer Center is the Spokane School District high school educational placement for all high school aged students with no prior US secondary school credits. As a result, Ferris welcomes students from all around the world to our school to learn English while working towards a high school diploma. The Ferris student body culture is diverse and multilingual.

## MATRICULATION FOR CLASS OF 2020

Ferris seniors submitted 475 college applications and 205 are currently attending post-secondary institutions. From a graduating class of 384, 53 percent have gone on to pursue further education at two- and four-year colleges: 15 percent are enrolled in two-year programs while 38 percent are pursuing four-year degrees; 52 graduates are attending four-year private colleges.

Arizona State University	2	Seattle Pacific University	4
Boise State University	2	Spokane Community College	27
Brigham Young University	3	Spokane Falls Community College	30
Brigham Young University - Idaho	4	St. Martin's University	1
Carroll College	1	St. Mary's University	1
Central Washington University	4	Thomas Aquinas College	1
Concordia University - Irvine	1	Trine University	1
Eastern Washington University	40	University of California - Davis	1
Evergreen State College	1	University of California - San Diego	1
Gonzaga University	4	University of California - Santa Barbara	1
Grand Canyon University	2	University of Denver - Colorado	1
Institute of American Indian Arts	1	University of Idaho	1
Montana State University - Bozeman	2	University of Montana	1
Mt. Hood Community College	1	University of Portland	2
North Idaho College	1	University of Southern California	1
Northwest Nazarene University	3	University of Washington - Seattle	18
Northwest University	1	Washington State University	20
Oregon State University	1	Western Washington University	5
San Diego State University	1	Whitworth University	5

# 384

Ferris graduates

# 53%

pursued  
post-secondary  
education



Spokane Public Schools  
excellence for everyone

Ferris is an AVID  
Emerging Schoolwide Site

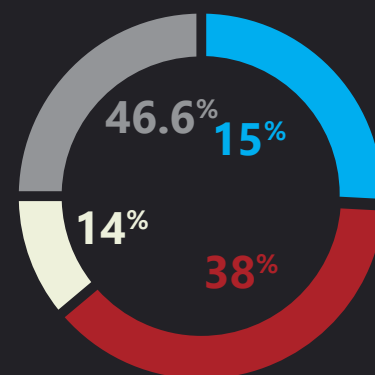


### Student Population

Percentage of students identifying as:

68.4%	White
12.3%	Two or More Races
10.5%	Hispanic and Latino
3.6%	Asian
3.5%	Black
0.8%	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
1.1%	American Indian or Alaskan Native

**51.5% MALE** **48% FEMALE**



### 2020 College Placement Profile 384 total graduated

- **147** attending public 4-year
- **58** attending 2-year
- **52** attending 4-year private
- **179** post-HS plans unknown

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