



Parent Involvement and Community Support

- Active and supportive PTSA
- Extensive school volunteer program (25,000 hours annually)
- Local service club support and donations to bridge funding gaps
- Generous community patrons and donors
- \$183,000 in local scholarship money given by Anacortes organizations and individuals
- Superintendent Advisory Committee (community, business, & governmental leaders)
- Anacortes Schools Foundation – grants scholarship awards to students
- Anacortes Early Learning Foundation - provides funding for early learning programs
- Partnership with Samish and Swinomish Nations
- Levy passage rate of 76% - thanks to our community

Anacortes School District supports local programs for the entire community from birth to seniors by actively partnering with early learning providers and the Anacortes Senior College.



Anacortes School District

Anacortes School District is dedicated to keeping parents and the community informed

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ANACORTES SCHOOL DISTRICT

Good things are happening



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Recognized *as a leader* in public education



From our nationally recognized Early Learning Program to preparing high school students for college, work, and life, Anacortes School District is dedicated to helping students succeed in the 21st century.

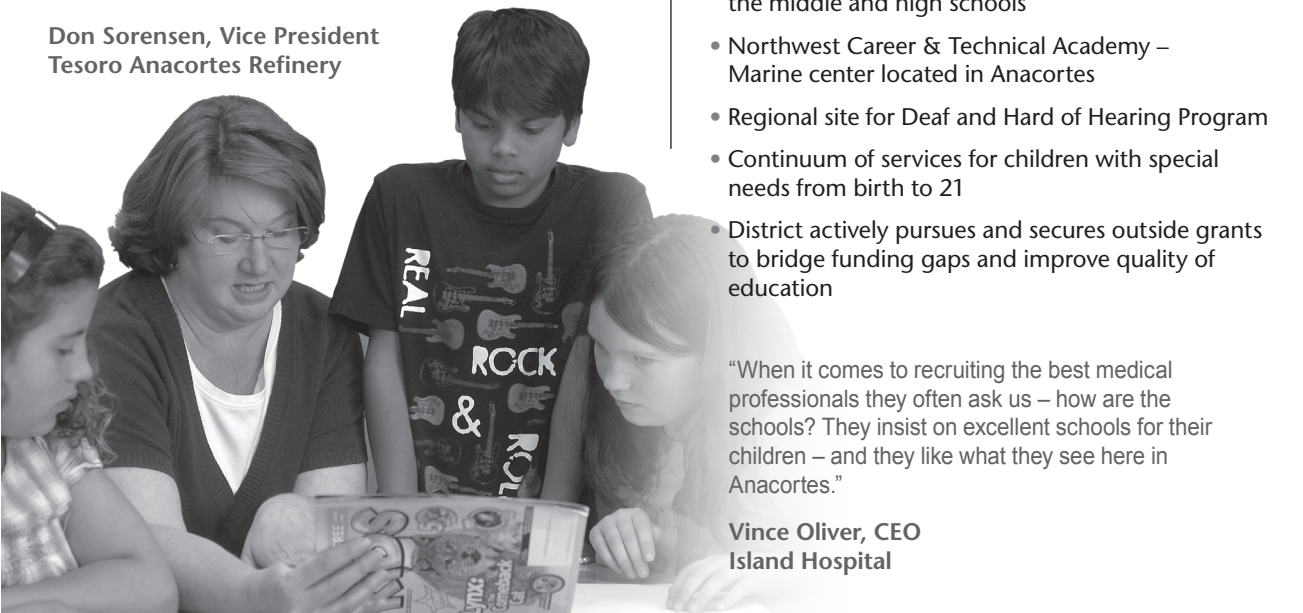
Our highly qualified teachers are the foundation of all our programs and services. Staff members are persistent in their efforts to do great work, and the accomplishments of our students remain an ongoing source of pride.

The Anacortes School District's increasing emphasis on science, technology, writing, and math will continue to produce highly successful youth who are well prepared for the future."

Don Sorensen, Vice President
Tesoro Anacortes Refinery

Points of Pride

- Academically rigorous curriculum
- 79% of teachers have at least a master's degree
- State test scores - some of the highest in the region (<http://reportcard.ospi.k12.wa.us>)
- Full-day kindergarten district wide
- Challenge program for highly capable and motivated students
- Support classes in core subjects at both the middle and high schools
- Northwest Career & Technical Academy – Marine center located in Anacortes
- Regional site for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Program
- Continuum of services for children with special needs from birth to 21
- District actively pursues and secures outside grants to bridge funding gaps and improve quality of education



"When it comes to recruiting the best medical professionals they often ask us – how are the schools? They insist on excellent schools for their children – and they like what they see here in Anacortes."

Vince Oliver, CEO
Island Hospital

Highlights of the District

Early Learning

Anacortes School District is recognized nationally and by the state for our District "School Ready" program and Whitney Early Childhood Educational Center.

- District secured two Gates Foundation Grants to help implement important early learning programs
- Birth to age 3 services to Fidalgo Island families
- In-district preschool – tuition based
- Kindergarten Ready assessment
- Full-day kindergarten district wide
- Family Resource Center
- Anacortes Early Learning Partners (AELP) - District partnering with childcare and preschool providers for professional development and curriculum alignment
- Parent engagement opportunities – classes, playgroups, and support groups
- Collaborative efforts with local community organizations such as public library, hospital, and service groups

Elementary K-6th grade

Fidalgo, Mount Erie, and Island View Elementary Schools

- Dedicated science specialists
- Full music instruction and band program
- Cultural Education and Arts Program district wide
- Technology specialists – access to technology and computer labs at all schools
- Physical education
- Curriculum alignment between classes and buildings
- Challenge program (2nd-6th grade) for highly capable & motivated students
- Intermediate grade bloc schedule for specialized instruction and transition support to middle school
- Watch DOGS (dads of great students) - national program encouraging dads to get involved with schools

Fidalgo Elementary – Winner of the Washington Achievement Award for 2009 & 2010, given by Washington State Board of Education and OSPI

Anacortes Middle School 7th & 8th grade

- Challenge program and advanced courses in math and science
- Foreign language instruction
- Cultural Education and Arts Program
- Access to career-technical courses
- Students can earn high school credit for some advanced courses
- Technology lab
- Support classes in core subjects
- Choir and band program
- Student clubs and athletics
- Physical education

Anacortes Middle School & High School – Winners of the School of Distinction Award 2011, given by the Center for Educational Effectiveness (AMS also received award in 2010)

Anacortes High School 9th – 12th grade

- 14 AP courses offered
 - 43% Juniors/Seniors take AP classes
 - 61% earn scores high enough for college credit
- Internationally recognized performing arts program
- State and nationally recognized academic teams including DECA, Debate, Knowledge Bowl, Math Team, and Robotics Team
- Extensive selection of tech-prep courses
- Support classes in core subjects
- Personalized counseling and advisory program
- Strong athletic program and variety of school clubs

Educational options:

- AVID, Running Start, Cap Sante High School, and NW Career and Technical Academy



Anacortes High School is on Jay Mathew's annual list of **America's Best High Schools** sponsored by the Washington Post.



AHS CLASS OF 2011

Graduates Measure Up

46 Anacortes graduates (top quarter) from the class of 2011, are in the top 10% of state graduates based on GPA and SAT scores

Average SAT scores:
Reading 557 Math 545 Writing 541; **significantly higher than state and national averages**

90% of graduates had specific plans to attend a 2 or 4 year college

Multiple National Merit Scholars

Some of the colleges and tech programs our 2011 graduates are attending include: MIT, Yale, University of Chicago, NYU, The Naval Academy, Whitworth, Gonzaga, BYU, UofW, WSU, WWU, Art Institute of Seattle, & Bellingham Technical College



AMS & AHS are among the few public middle and high schools in Washington State to receive a distinguished rating of 9 out of 10 by GreatSchools.org