

School Without Walls High School: SY21-22 Eligibility Rubric

For Grades: 9 – 12 (All Grades)

About the School Without Walls Admissions Criteria: The student who succeeds at School Without Walls High School is responsible, confident, takes initiative, comes to school daily, focuses on academics, and demands their education. Additionally, students who are successful at School Without Walls are independent, have strong time management skills, and are interested in being a global citizen.

About the School Without Walls Admissions Process: At School Without Walls, we require all applicants to meet a minimum 3.0 GPA, based on their final grades from the previous school year. For 9th grade, the top approximately 500 students with a 3.0 or higher GPA, will be invited to participate in an interview. Students who are invited to interview must participate in the interview in order to move through the process. Interviews for 10th-12th grade will be conducted based on the number of expected available seats for the upcoming school year and the number of applications received. In addition to an interview score, students receive a score based on their GPA. These two scores are combined to provide each student with a cumulative application score. All students who complete the interview will be eligible and ranked by their cumulative application score.

Each component of the admissions process is scored and weighted according to the chart below.

Admissions Component	Weight	Notes
Report Card Review (Minimum 3.0 GPA)	Threshold criteria	<p>School Without Walls reviews only grades as part of the report card review. At School Without Walls, we require that incoming applicants have a GPA of 3.0 or higher, on the final report card of the previous school year, to ensure incoming students are prepared for success in our rigorous program.</p> <p>In 9th grade, the top 500 students with the highest GPAs will be invited to interview. More than 500 applicants could be invited to interview, in cases of tied GPAs.</p> <p>See here for more information on how GPA is calculated. This resource has been updated as of January 2021.</p>
Based on GPA, the top students in each grade with a 3.0 or higher are invited to participate in an interview.		
Interview	~86% (31/36 points)	School Without Walls believes strongly in identifying students with a passion for our program and commitment to community and who demonstrate perseverance.

		<p>Top students based on GPA will be invited, along with their parent/guardian, for a panel interview. The panel consists of faculty, staff, and current students. We ask that students and parents do their best by being themselves!</p> <p>All applicant interviews will be assessed on the same internal rubric, with interview scores counting for ~86% of a student’s score.</p> <p>Based on health conditions, the interview will be conducted virtually via Microsoft Teams in SY21-22.</p>
GPA Score	~14% (5/36 points)	<p>All students who complete the interview will be provided with an additional score based on their GPA, along the following scale:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 3.8 and higher – 5 points ● 3.5 - 3.79– 4 points ● 3.2 - 3.49 – 3 points ● 3.0 - 3.19 – 2 points
<p>Interview and GPA scores are added together to give each student a cumulative application score. All students who complete the interview are eligible and are ranked according to the cumulative application score.</p>		