

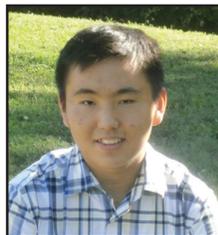
# POINTS of Pride

Auburn Washburn Unified School District 437

## National Art Winners



Clare Fallon's painting "Red, White, & Blue" will hang in the US Capitol as the Congressional Art competition winner. Lauren Aislieger, Clare Fallon, and Noor Kyasa won National Scholastic Art Gold Awards. Gabriel Donaldson, Clare Fallon, and Tru Terrell won Milken National Art Awards.



## Auburn-Washburn Leads the Area in National Merit Scholars

More students from Washburn Rural High School have qualified for recognition from the prestigious National Merit Scholarship program than from any other Topeka area high school. This year Veronica Lyle and Hyung Ju Nam were named National Merit Finalists. Alex Rea was named as a National Merit Semi-Finalist. Nicholas Beasley, Justin Beteta, Vineet Kallanagowdar, Kyle Peter, Jonah Stiel, Bryce Valley and Lillian Wen were named National Merit Commended Scholars.

## Best Teachers in the State



Brandy Lane, a Pauline South sixth grade teacher, was named **Kansas Master Teacher**.



Tyler Riedel, a Washburn Rural Middle School Social Studies teacher, was named **Kansas Horizon Award Winner**.

## 6A State Champions



Laura Nicolai was the 2016 National Speech & Debate Champion. Molli Christensen and Rachel Osborn qualified for the National History Day competition. Ethan

Eitutis, Peyton Emler, Serena Peter, and Hailey Robertson were the 4-Speaker Debate Champions, and Grace Kessler and Raina Peter were the Novice Debate Champions. Other state champions included the Washburn Rural Girls Golf Team, Megan Lucas – Girls Golf, Tarrin Fisher – Boys 100m Breast Stroke, and Laurel Haley – Girls Discus.

## Did You Know?



If you are looking for a unique educational experience, Auburn-Washburn offers opportunities you won't find anywhere else. Our 65-acre Outdoor Environmental Education area gives students a hands-on science experience. Our International Baccalaureate World Diploma program at Washburn Rural High School is just one of a few in the state that offers an internationally recognized diploma.



## TOP 10

Auburn-Washburn is one of Kansas' Top 10 school districts based on the achievement of our students and the quality of our staff.

## Great! SCHOOLS

Auburn-Washburn earned the Topeka area's top rating on [greatschools.org](http://greatschools.org). Go online and tell your story of why you love your child's Auburn-Washburn school.



**Increasing Efficiencies.** All Auburn-Washburn schools have earned the rigorous Energy Star Certification. Through a comprehensive energy management system we have greatly reduced our consumption. In spite of expanded buildings and increased utility rates, Auburn-Washburn is spending less now than in 2009-2010.

Strategic Plan 2021 - Inspiring, Challenging, and Preparing Every Child, Every Day

**Student Goals**

- Goal 1 – To improve the academic performance of each student.
- Goal 2 – To develop skills for success with each student.

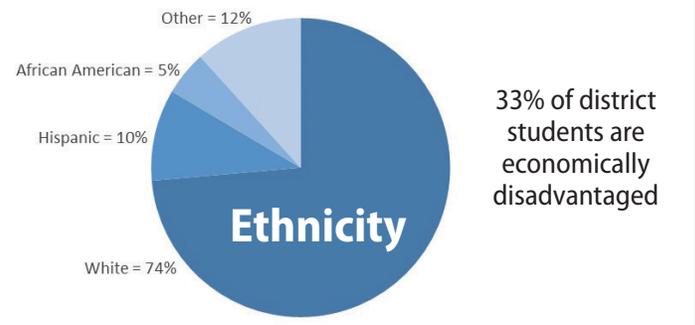
**District Priorities that Support Student Goals**

- Outstanding Staff
- Community Engagement
- Effective Resource Management
- Safe, Well-Maintained and Current Facilities



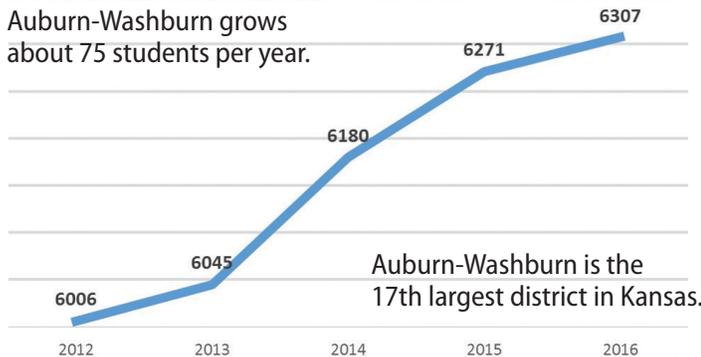
**By the Numbers**

- Attendance Rate is 95.7%
- Graduation Rate is 91.3%, exceeding state and national averages
- 90% of graduates report pursuing post-secondary education
- 112 students graduated with cumulative, weighted GPA's of 4.00 or higher
- 155 students graduated with 12 or more hours of college credit or equivalent



**Student Growth**

Auburn-Washburn grows about 75 students per year.



**ACT Scores**

Auburn-Washburn ACT score of 23.3 exceeds the national average as well as Kansas and neighboring states

