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## Jargon and Definitions

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**Academic Challenge Program**– a program designed for students who want a rigorous schedule which prepares them for college applications and scholarships.

**ACT** – American College Test for 4-year college entrance

**AP** – Advanced Placement for college level classes without leaving the high school

**Apple Bowl** – stadium located next to Pioneer Middle School used for school activities

**Apple Leaf, The** – Student newspaper, published every three weeks and distributed for free.

**Apple-Ettes** – dance team; after-school activity

**ASB** – Associated Student Body; collects fees for activities; money allocated for clubs

**ASVAB** – Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery; provides tools developed by the Department of Defense to help learn more about career exploration and planning; see Career Center.

**AVID** – Advancement Via Individual Determination

**CAA** – Certificate of Academic Achievement; meeting all state requirements for graduation

**Choirs** – Bass Clef Singers, Treble Clef Singers, Bel Canto Singers, Chamber Singers, Hy-Land Kids, Hy-Tones, 4-Tune Hunters

**Commons** – lunchroom; also used for large group activities, parent-teacher conferences, dances

**CP** – Culminating Project

**DECA** – An association of marketing students; co-curricular with marketing classes

**ELL** – English Language Learner

**Elwood** – Panther mascot

**Elwood's Oasis** – student store run by marketing students

**FBLA** – Future Business Leaders of America; after-school activity

**FFA** – The National FFA Organization; after-school activity

**IGNITE!** – Freshman orientation program before school starts

**Instrumental groups** – GA (Golden Apple) Band, Wind Ensemble, Jazz Band, Orchestra, Mariachi

**LGI** – Large Group Instruction; a large, theatre-style classroom at the school; used for meetings

**LIT** – Learning Improvement Team; group composed of administrators, teachers, parents, and students to think, listen, reflect, and share perspectives toward the work of strategic planning.

**Mr. Panther** – comic spoof on beauty pageants with male contestants

**NHS** – National Honor Society is a group for sophomores, juniors, and seniors who demonstrate excellence in the areas of character, scholarship, leadership, and service.

**OC** – Orientation Counselor; an older student who is assigned to a group of entering freshman during the orientation program, to provide a source of information and community

**Panther Paws** – parent newsletter

**Parent Connections** – parent volunteer group designed to facilitate a partnership between parents, administration, staff, and activity groups.

**PASSport to Success Parent Program** – a workshop in English & Spanish to help parents to help their student succeed in school

**PLAN** – preliminary ACT

**PSAT** – preliminary SAT

**SAT** – Scholastic Aptitude Test for 4-year college entrance

**Summer Breeze** – first dance of the school year

**Tolo** – type of dance where the girls ask the boys

**Wa Wa** – school yearbook

**WASL** – Washington Assessment of Student Learning; required state testing for graduation

**WHS** – Wenatchee High School

**WOIS** – Washington Occupation Information System; available in Career Center; research careers, colleges, and scholarships; learn about tests, and take practice tests