

Santa Cruz High School

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School Profile
2017/2018



CEEB Code:
053297

Santa Cruz High School is a comprehensive public school with a student population of approximately 1,040 in grades nine through twelve. SCHS is particularly noted for having a diverse student body. Students from various racial, cultural and socio-economic backgrounds and lifestyles join to enrich their personal and academic experiences in an unusually compatible atmosphere. In addition to comprehensive college preparation and vocational curriculums, many special programs are available on our campus. Santa Cruz High, a California Distinguished School, accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges, is situated in the heart of the city of Santa Cruz, a coastal community of 64,000 people.

CURRICULUM

Santa Cruz High School utilizes the Excel Block Schedule. Under this model, students take three or four 90-minute classes each day for 18 weeks in the fall, and three or four different classes for 18 weeks in the spring. The daily 90-minute classes are equivalent to year-long classes in more traditional two-semester systems. This program has proven to be highly effective throughout the nation, California and here at SCHS.

Graduation Requirements:

English	40 Credits
Social Studies	30 Credits
Mathematics (Int. Math 1B required)	20 Credits
Science	20 Credits
Fine and Applied Arts	25 Credits
Physical Education	20 Credits
Health	5 Credits
Elective Courses	70 Credits
Total:	230 Credits

HONORS and AP CLASSES

All honors and AP classes are designated on transcripts with an asterisk (*) preceding course name.

Science:

Chemistry (H)
 Physiology (H)
 Adv. Biology (H)
 Enviro Sci. (AP)
 Chemistry (AP) **
 AP Physics 1 (AP) **
 AP Physics 2 (AP) **

English:

English 2 (H) #
 American Lit (H)
 English Lang & Comp (AP)
 English Lit & Comp (AP)

World Languages:

French (AP)
 Spanish (AP)

Social Sciences:

US History (AP)

Mathematics:

Analytic Geometry/Pre-Calc (H)
 Calculus AB (AP)
 Calculus BC (AP)
 Statistics (AP)
 Computer Science A (AP)

** Offered in alternate years
 # Offered starting 2017-2018

SCHOOL WIDE SAT RESULTS

SAT Reasoning Test (SAT I)	2016	2015
Mean Verbal (or CR)	560	555
Mean Math	563	570
Mean Writing	537	547
Mean Total SAT	1660	1672

New SAT:	2017	March-June 2016
Evidence Reading and Writing	609	599
Math	605	603

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARS

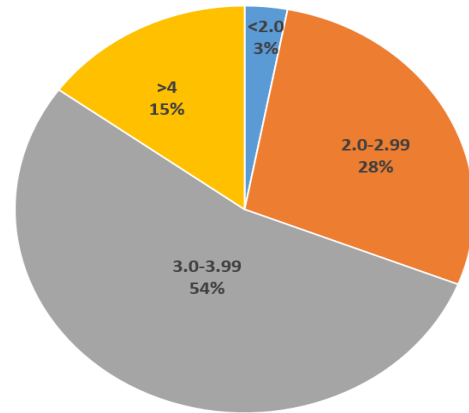
Graduating Class of:	2018	2017	2016
Total Graduating Class	244	220	229
Number of Semi-Finalists	4	2	3
Number of Commended	4	6	4

GRADING and RANKING

Five units of credit are awarded for each term passed with a grade of D or better. Passing grades are A, B, C, D and P. A weighted four point system is used to calculate grade point average: A = 4, B = 3, C = 2, D = 1, F=0

GPA Calculations: Weighted GPA Weighted calculation of all courses (academic and non-academic) taken in grades 9-12. As with the following weighted GPAs, one extra point is given for each honors and advanced placement course with a C or above. ACA GPA 9-12 Weighted calculation of college prep classes taken in grades 9-12. ACA GPA 10-12 Weighted calculation of college prep classes taken in grades 10-12. Unweighted GPA unweighted calculation of all courses (academic and non-academic) taken in grades 9-12.

WEIGHTED ACADEMIC GPA CLASS OF 2018



AP TEST RESULTS

AP Tests	2017	2016	2015
Number of Exams Taken	273	271	245
Percentage Qualifying (3+)	71%	80%	78%
Percentage Scoring 4 or 5	49%	58%	53%
Percentage Scoring a 5	19%	29%	28%

POST HIGH SCHOOL PLANS

	2017	2016	2015
4 Yr College Eligible	64%	57%	61%
Enrolled in 4 Year	43%	47%	50%
Enrolled in 2 Year College*	40%	43%	42%

*Estimated, as no final transcripts sent

COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY ATTENDANCE CLASS OF 2017

University of California

UC Berkeley
UC Davis
UC Irvine
UC San Diego
UC Santa Bárbara
UC Santa Cruz

California State University

CSU Cal Poly
CSU Chico
CSU Humboldt
CSU Monterey Bay
CSU Sacramento
CSU San Jose
CSU San Francisco

Private and Out of State Public Colleges

Arizona State University
Bard College
Boise State University
Colorado State University
John Hopkins University
Lewis and Clark College
Linfield College
Loyola Marymount University

Maastricht University; Netherlands
Macalester College
Mills College
Portland University
Purdue University
Prescott College
Santa Clara University

Seattle University
Saint Mary's College of California
University of Puget Sound
University of San Francisco
University of Utah
Western Washington University
Westmont College