

Santa Cruz High School

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School Profile
2019/2020



CEEB Code:
053297

Santa Cruz High School is a comprehensive public school with a student population of approximately 1,150 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

Science:

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

English:

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

Social Sciences:

US History (AP)

World Languages:

French (AP)
 Spanish (AP)

Mathematics:

Analytic Geometry/Pre-Calc (H) [Math Academy 2]
 Calculus AB (AP)
 Calculus BC (AP)
 Statistics (AP)
 Computer Science A (AP)

* Offered until 18-19' year
 # Offered starting 2019-20'

SCHOOL WIDE SAT RESULTS

SAT Reasoning Test (SAT I)	2019	2018	2017
Evidence Reading and Writing	592	598	609
Mean Math	606	619	605

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARS

Graduating Class of:	2020	2019	2018
Total Graduating Class	268	257	244
Number of Semi-Finalists	5	4	4
Number of Commended	5	7	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:

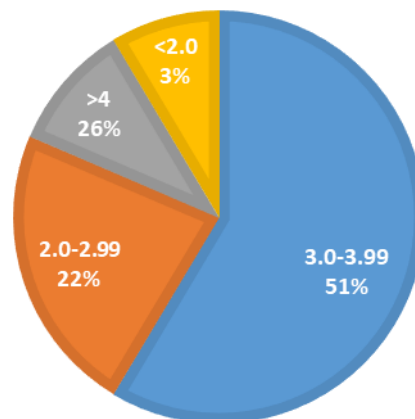
Cumulative unweighted GPA: Unweighted calculation of all courses taken in grades 9-12.

Cumulative weighted GPA: Unweighted calculation of college prep classes taken in grades 10 – 12.

Academic 10-12 GPA: Weighted calculation of academic courses completed in grades 10 – 12, in which one extra point is given for each honors and advanced placement course with a grade C or better.

Class rank: Based on the student's Weighted Academic 10-12 GPA.

WEIGHTED ACADEMIC GPA CLASS OF 2019



AP TEST RESULTS

AP Tests	2019	2018	2017
Number of Exams Taken	376	347	273
Percentage Qualifying (3+)	78%	74%	71%
Percentage Scoring 4 or 5	55%	45%	49%
Percentage Scoring a 5	27%	22%	19%

POST HIGH SCHOOL PLANS

	2019	2018	2017
4 Yr College Eligible	74%	71%	64%
Enrolled in 4 Year	43%	41%	43%
Enrolled in 2 Year College*	50%	46%	40%

**Estimated, as no final transcripts sent*

COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY ATTENDANCE CLASS OF 2019

California State University

CSU Cal Poly
CSU Channel Islands
CSU Fresno
CSU Fullerton
CSU Humboldt
CSU Long Beach
CSU Monterey Bay
CSU Northridge
CSU San Diego
CSU San Francisco
CSU San Jose
CSU Sonoma

University of California

UC Berkeley
UC Davis
UC Los Angeles
UC San Diego
UC Santa Barbara
UC Santa Cruz

Private and Out of State Public Colleges

American Musical & Dramatic Academy
Arizona State
Brandeis University
Chapman University
Clemson University
Colorado State
Goucher College
Mills College
Queens University
Santa Clara University

The New School of Jazz and Contemporary Music
University of Alabama
University of Arizona
University of Boulder
University of Las Vegas
University of Oregon
University of Portland
Washington State University
Western Washington University
Whitman College