

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

CLASS OF 2010

CREDITS - 230 credits are required for graduation with 5 credits earned for each course completed with a grade of "D" or better.

COMPUTER LITERACY - All students must pass a computer literacy test or take one Computer class.

EXIT EXAM: CAHSEE - Beginning with the class of 2006, all students must pass the CAHSEE in English Language Arts and Mathematics to be eligible for a California public high school diploma.

SUBJECT REQUIREMENTS

English 8 semesters (40 credits)
Social Science 6 semesters (30 credits)
Mathematics 4 semesters (20 credits)
Physical Science 2 semesters (10 credits)
Biological Science 2 semesters (10 credits)
Health 1 semester (5 credits)
Physical Education 4 semesters (20 credits)
Fine Arts 2 semesters (10 credits)
Practical Arts 1 semester (5 credits)
Computer Literacy** 1 semester (5 credits)
Electives 75 credits

** or demonstration of proficiency

TOTAL 230 credits

ACADEMIC RECOGNITION

NATIONAL MERIT - For the 2008-2009 school year, Poway High had 6 National Merit Finalists.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT RESULTS - 2009 87% of 716 students taking AP exams received a 3 or higher.

NORTH COUNTY ACADEMIC LEAGUE - Poway High students participate in the San Diego County competitions.

SAT - CEEB #052533. During the 2008-2009 school year, seniors obtained the following mean scores on the SAT test:

	<u>PHS</u>	<u>CALIFORNIA</u>	<u>NATIONAL</u>
Critical Reading	560	500	501
Mathematics	590	513	515
Writing	556	498	493

A total of 389 PHS Senior scores are reflected in this computation.

AN OVERVIEW

Poway High School was established in September 1961, as the first of five comprehensive high schools in the Poway Unified School District. This profile has been developed to aid in the evaluation of transcripts and records as well as to inform the community of relevant facts regarding the school.

ADMINISTRATION

DR. DONALD PHILLIPS

Superintendent

MR. SCOTT FISHER

Principal

MR. DAVID LEMASTER

Assistant Principal

MR. PETER McKEE

Assistant Principal

MRS. BETH PERISIC

Assistant Principal

COUNSELORS

MS. RACHEL DEYOUNG

MR. KHALID MAXIE

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PROFILE

2009 - 2010

National Distinguished School

Poway High School

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GENERAL INFORMATION

COMMUNITY

DESCRIPTION - The Poway Unified School District is located in a suburban community 15 miles northeast of San Diego. It is a primarily middle to upper-middle income residential community.

POPULATION - The population of the area is approximately 191,108 with a Poway Unified School District population of approximately 33,305 students K-12. The student enrollment of Poway High School comes from the communities of Poway and Rancho Bernardo.

SCHOOL

DESCRIPTION - A comprehensive four year secondary school.

ENROLLMENT - Total of approximately 2,806 students with a senior class of 636.

SCHOOL DAY - Class periods are 57 minutes, 3 days a week, and 113 minutes, 2 days a week. Total of 297 minutes a week. Professional growth days are one Monday a month with class periods of 42 minutes.

ACCREDITATION - Accreditation is fully granted by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges.

STAFF - 113 teachers, 4 administrators, 5 counselors, 1 librarian, 2 school psychologist, 65 support staff members.

COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY ADMISSIONS

GRADE POINT AVERAGE AND CLASS RANK - The computation is based on a marking system of A, B, C, D, F with point values of 4,3,2,1,0 with the exception of Advanced Placement courses which are assigned point values of 5,4,3,1,0. Physical education, school service, work experience, and planning leadership grades are excluded from the computation. The college recommending mark is C or above. The passing grade is D. More than one student may possess a certain rank in class.

POST SECONDARY PURSUITS - Enrollment in four-year colleges and universities is approximately 61%, in two-year colleges 36%, 1% in special schools, 1% in the military, 1% full-time employment. Colleges and universities which Poway High School students attend include the following:

Amherst College
Arizona State University
Art Institute of Orange County
Art Institute of San Diego
Azusa Pacific University
Biola University
Brigham Young University, Hawaii
Brigham Young University, Idaho
Brigham Young University, Utah
Brown University
Bryn Athyn College

Butler University
California Lutheran University
California State University, Cal Poly Pomona
California State University, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo
Cal State University, Channel Islands
California State University, Chico
California State University, Fresno

California State University, Fullerton
California State University, Humboldt
Cal State University, Long Beach
Cal State University, Monterey Bay
Cal State University, Northridge
Cal State University, San Marcos
Cal State University, Sacramento
California State University, Sonoma
Cal State University, Stanislaus
California Maritime Academy
Carnegie Mellon University
Chapman University
Clackamas College
Claremont McKenna College
College of the Canyons
College of the Desert
Colorado State University
DePaul University
Evergreen State College
Fashion Careers College
Fashion Institute of Design
Florida Atlantic University
Gonzaga University
Grossmont College
Harvard University
Hillsdale College
Indiana University
Lake Tahoe College
Lewis-Clark College
Los Angeles Film School
Loyola Marymount University
Mesa College
Mills Women's College
Mira Costa College
Miramar College
Mission City College
Moorpark College
New York University
Northeastern University
Northern Arizona University
Northern Virginia College
Northwestern University
Oceanside Beauty School
Oklahoma Christian University
Oral Roberts University
Oregon State University
Pacific Lutheran University
Palomar College
Pepperdine University
Platt College

Point Loma Nazarene University
Pratt Institute
Princeton University
Purdue University
Rochester College
Queens College
Saddleback College
San Diego City College
San Diego State University
San Francisco State University
San Jose State University
Santa Barbara City College
Santa Monica College
Seattle Pacific University
Texas Christian University
University of Arizona
University of Auburn
University of California, Berkeley
University of California, Davis
University of California, Irvine
University of California, Los Angeles
University of California, Merced
University of California, Riverside
University of California, San Diego
University of California, Santa Barbara
University of California, Santa Cruz
University of Chicago
University of Colorado at Boulder
University of Evansville
University of Fairfield
University of Hawaii
University of Mary
University of Michigan
University of Nevada at Reno
University of Oregon
University of Poland
University of Redlands
University of San Diego
University of Southern California
University of Texas at Austin
University of Wisconsin
Utah Valley University
Western Washington University
Wheaton College
Whitworth College
Yapavi University

COLLEGE BOUND STUDENTS- Students generally take three years of higher math (Algebra, Geometry, Adv. Algebra), four years of English, two years of science, two years of foreign language (French, German, Spanish), and three years of social science and history, plus required electives.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION-Students take required graduation courses and are encouraged to take electives appropriate to their vocational interests.

ELECTIVE COURSES- Courses are offered in Art, Agriculture, AVID, Computers, Consumer & Family Studies, Drama, Music (instrumental and choral), Industrial/Vocational, Physical Education, School Service (teaching assistants and academic tutors), and Work Experience.

OTHER PROGRAMS-HONORS (H) - Courses are offered in English, Foreign Language, Mathematics, and Science for 9th-12th grades.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP)- Courses are offered in English, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Environmental Science, Statistics, Calculus, French, German, Spanish, Spanish Literature, Studio Art, American Government, US History, European History, and Psychology.

REMEDIAL COURSES- Available for students needing remediation in English and Mathematics.

ALTERNATIVE CLASSES- A special program to help at-risk 9th grade students is in place to assist students with study skills and designated academic classes.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNER (ELL) - Courses for students needing to learn to speak, read, and write English include, Language Acquisition and Sheltered courses in English, Science, Social Science, and Math.

ADVANCEMENT VIA INDIVIDUAL DETERMINATION (AVID) - A program designed to help qualifying students with average to high standardized test scores prepare for college.

SPECIAL EDUCATION- Special instruction is provided for students with more severe learning problems by participation in either a Special Day Class or the Resource Specialist Program.

REGIONAL OCCUPATIONAL PROGRAM (ROP) - Vocational training classes are offered through ROP in a number of areas including auto, floriculture, computers, graphics, photo, digital media, and veterinary science.

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

CURRICULUM

The curriculum is divided into three major programs: University-bound, College-bound, and high school graduation.

UNIVERSITY-BOUND STUDENTS— In general, students take four years of higher math (Algebra-Calculus), two to four years of science, four years of English, two to five years of foreign language, and three years of social science and history, plus additional required electives.