

RANCHO BERNARDO HIGH SCHOOL

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School Profile

2020-2021

Rancho Bernardo High School, with a student enrollment of approximately 2,400, is a comprehensive high school located in northern San Diego County drawing students from the communities of Poway, Rancho Bernardo, Los Penasquitos, Sabre Springs and Carmel Mountain Ranch. The Class of 2021 has 587 students. Over 90% of the graduates enroll in either two or four year college programs after graduation. Rancho Bernardo HS opened in September, 1990, as the third comprehensive high school in the Poway Unified School District which now includes five comprehensive high schools and one continuation high school. The California Department of Education and The Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) jointly accredit the school.

THE CURRICULUM

The Rancho Bernardo High School curriculum is an academically challenging college preparatory program. During the 2016-2017 school year, Rancho Bernardo transitioned from a semester schedule with students taking up to six 5 credit classes per semester earning 60 credits in one year to a 4 x 4 schedule. Rancho Bernardo's 4x4 schedule allows students to take up to four 5 credit classes during each 9 week quarter, enabling them to earn up to 80 credits in one year. **However, 60 credits per year is considered a full academic load.**

Graduation requirements: Students must complete a minimum of 230 credits that include the following requirements:

English	40 credits
Social Science	30 credits
Mathematics	20 credits
Physical Science	10 credits
Biological Science	10 credits
Health	5 credits
Physical Education (PE)	20 credits
Fine Arts	10 credits
Electives	85 credits

Courses identified as college preparatory are coded "P", Honors classes are coded "H" and Advanced Placement classes graded on a 5 point scale are coded "AH" on student transcripts. All students are encouraged to meet the University of California a-g subject requirements for admission.

HONORS AND ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES

All students are strongly encouraged to take honors and Advanced Placement courses in all academic areas.

Honors Courses offered during 2018-2019:

Honors Algebra 3-4, Honors American Lit 1-2, Honors Biology 1-2, Honors Pre-Calculus 1-2, Honors Chemistry 1-2, Honors High School English 1-2, Honors Humanities 1-2, Honors World History 1-2

Advanced Placement Courses offered during 2018-2019:

English Language, English Literature, Biology, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Statistics, Chemistry, Computer Science A, Computer Science Principles, Environmental Science, European History, Physics C Electricity & Magnetism, Physics C Mechanics, US Government/Politics, US History, Psychology, Spanish, Art History, Studio Art-Drawing, Studio Art 2D.

AP Access and Participation

Of the Class of 2020, 45.1% of the students scored a 3 or higher on at least one AP exam prior to graduation, as reported in the College Board Equity and Excellence Index.

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021
Number of Graduates	552	584	581	587
Finalist	8	5	5	TBD
Semi-Finalist	8	5	5	7
Commended Students	36	27	24	25

COLLEGE ADMISSION TESTING & ADVANCED PLACEMENT STATISTICS

ACT Average Test Scores	2019-2020 Coming Soon
Percentage taking the ACT	
English	
Math	
Reading	
Science	
Composite	
STEM	

SAT Reasoning Test/SAT I	2019-2020
Percentage taking the SAT	71%
Mean ERBW SAT	570
Mean Mathematics SAT	599

Advanced Placement (AP)	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020
Number of students in 1 or more AP Class	770	858	884	847
Number of AP exams taken	1357	1189	1237	1218
Percentage of qualifying scores	86%	85%	85%	83%

COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES ATTENDED BY 2019 GRADUATES	
<u>California</u>	<u>Out of State</u>
Cal Poly, Pomona Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo SCU Channel Island CSU Chico CSU East Bay CSU Fullerton CSU Long Beach CSU San Marcos Humboldt State University San Diego State University San Francisco State University Sacramento State University Sonoma State University UC Berkeley UC Davis UC Irvine UC Los Angeles UC Merced UC Riverside UC San Diego UC Santa Barbara UC Santa Cruz Costa Mesa Community College Cuesta Community College Grossmont Community College Laney Community College Long Beach City College Mira Costa College Miramar Community College Palomar College Riverside City College Saddleback College San Diego Mesa College San Diego Miramar College Santa Barbara City College Azusa Pacific University Biola University Claremont McKenna College California Baptist University California Lutheran University Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising Gonzaga University Notre Dame De Namur University Point Loma Nazarene St. Mary's College University of Redlands University of San Diego University of Southern California	Arizona State University Baylor University Boise State University Boston University Brigham Young University Brigham Young University Idaho Colorado Mesa University Colorado School of Mines Colorado State University Columbia University Cornell University Dartmouth College Duke University Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Emery Carr University of Art & Design Florida Southern University Georgia Institute of Technology Gonzaga University Grand Canyon University Louisiana State University Maryville University of St. Louis Michigan State University Montana State University New York University Northeastern University Northern Arizona University Ohio State University Oklahoma University Oregon State University University of Alabama University of Arizona University of Colorado - Boulder University of Florida University of Hawaii University of Kansas University of Kentucky University of Michigan University of New Mexico University of Oklahoma University of Oregon University of Pennsylvania University of Pittsburgh University of Rochester University of Texas- Arlington University of Texas - Austin University of Utah University of Washington US Military Academy WestPoint Washington State University

COLLEGE ATTENDANCE

% of graduates to 2 year colleges	
2018-2019	2019-2020
35	32
% of graduates to 4 year colleges	
2018-2019	2019-2020
59	64
% of graduates going to college	
2018-2019	2019-2020
94	96

CALCULATION OF GRADE POINT AVERAGE

Rancho Bernardo HS calculates grade point average on a weighted 4.0 scale that includes all subjects taken from the freshman year through the senior year, except physical education, school services, and planning and leadership grades. The following breakdown is used:

A	4.00
B	3.00
C	2.00
D	1.00
F	0.00

Please note that an A* indicates that the student audited the class for no credit.

- Add an additional point for AP, Honors Am. Lit. and Honors Principles of Eng. grades A, B, C (e.g. A= 5.00)
- +/- not included in weight
- Beginning with the 2007-2008 school year, RBHS will no longer provide class rank on transcripts.

For Spring 2020, Poway Unified School District began utilizing a CR/NM final grading scale due to the COVID-19 school closures based on the guidance from the California Department of Education.