# THE SCHOOL AND ITS COMMUNITY

Poway High School is a four-year comprehensive public high school, established in 1961 and nationally recognized for academic excellence. Poway High School currently serves approximately 2,288 students in grades 9-12, with a senior class of 531.

Located in a suburban community 15 miles northeast of San Diego, the Poway Unified School District is a primarily middle to upper-middle income residential community. The population of the area is approximately 203,100, with a Poway Unified School District population of 36,534 students in grades K-12. The majority of student enrollment at Poway High School comes from the communities of Poway and Rancho Bernardo.

Poway High School has 107 certificated staff members, including four administrators, five counselors, and one school psychologist.

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## 2018-2019 SCHOOL PROFILE

### GENERAL INFORMATION

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**CEEB:** 052533

**Superintendent**
Marian Kim-Phelps, Ed. D.

**Principal**
Richard Nash

**Assistant Principals**
Colin Young (A-F)  
Brianne Froumis (G-M)  
Aaron Little (N-Z)

**Counselors**
Christy Brown (A-DOM)  
Jerrah Smith (DON-KON)  
Blanca Arreguin (KOO-RAMJ)  
Jerlyn Padua Reyes (RAMK-Z)  
Karly Wardwell

**Registrar**
Michelle Bourget

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### CURRICULUM

Poway High School is currently on a trimester schedule with five class periods. Poway High students may take up to five classes each of three trimesters, earning five credits per course completed with a grade of “D” or better. All students are required to complete 230 credits to graduate.

### HONORS AND ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES

The following Honors and Advanced Placement courses are offered at Poway High:

| AP Biology | AP Psychology |
| AP Calculus AB | AP Spanish Language |
| AP Calculus BC | AP Spanish Literature |
| AP Chemistry | AP Statistics |
| AP Computer Science A | AP Studio Art: 2D |
| AP Computer Science Principles | AP Studio Art: 3D |
| AP English Language | AP Studio Art: Drawing |
| AP English Literature | AP US History |
| AP Environmental Science | Honors Biology 1-2 |
| AP European History | Honors English 1-2 |
| AP French Language | Honors French 7 |
| AP German Language | Honors Humanities 1-2 |
| AP Government | Honors Pre-Calculus 1-2 |
| AP Human Geography | Honors Spanish 8 |
| AP Physics C: Mech |

### ELECTIVES

Courses are offered in Art, Agriculture, AVID, Career/Technical Ed, Drama, Law in Action, Music (instrumental and choral), Physical Education, and School Service (Academic Tutors).

### ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNER (ELL)

Courses offered for students learning to speak, read, and write English include language acquisition and sheltered courses in English, Math, Science and Social Science.

### CAREER/TECHNICAL EDUCATION (CTE)

Vocational training classes are offered through CTE in areas including Agriculture, Auto, Digital Media, Floriculture, Graphics and Photography.

### SPECIAL EDUCATION

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

### AVID (ADVANCEMENT VIA INDIVIDUAL DETERMINATION)

The AVID program is designed to help qualifying students with average/high standardized test scores prepare for college.
GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS
Poway High School students must earn 230 credits (5 credits for each course completed) from the following subject areas:

- English 40 credits
- Mathematics 20 credits
- Science 20 credits
- Social Science 30 credits
- Physical Education 20 credits
- Health 5 credits
- Fine Arts 10 credits
- Electives 85 credits

**TOTAL 230 credits**

GRADING AND GPA CALCULATION

**Poway High School does not rank its students.**

Grade point average is calculated based on all grades earned in classes taken from 9th to 12th grade. Physical education, school service, and planning leadership grades are excluded from the computation. The following breakdown is used:

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The college recommending mark is C or above. The passing grade is D.

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2017-18 COLLEGE ADMISSION TESTING AND ADVANCED PLACEMENT STATISTICS

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**ACT**

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AP EXAMS

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<td>Percentage of qualifying scores (3 or higher)</td>
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2017 National Merit Semi-Finalists 3
2017 National Merit Finalists 2

POST SECONDARY PURSUITs
Approximate enrollment after graduation is as follows:

- Four-year colleges and universities 60%
- Two-year colleges 30%
- Workforce 5%
- Military 3%
- Specialty (technical/trade) schools 2%

Poway High School graduates are admitted to colleges and universities across the country. Below is a partial list of higher education institutions attended by our most recent graduates:

- Abilene Christian University
- Adams State University
- American Baptist University
- Arizona State University
- Auburn University
- Austin Community College
- Baylor University
- Boise State University
- Brigham Young University—Idaho
- Brigham Young University—Provo
- Bryant University
- California Baptist University
- California Polytechnic State University—Pomona
- California Polytechnic State University—SLO
- California State University—Chico
- California State University—Long Beach
- California State University—Monterey Bay
- California State University—Northridge
- California State University—San Bernardino
- California State University—San Marcos
- Calvin College
- Chapman University
- Clemson University
- College of the Holy Cross
- Colorado Mesa University
- Colorado State University
- Columbus State Community College
- Community College of Baltimore County
- CSU Maritime Academy
- Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
- Endicott College
- Folsom Lake College
- Fort Lewis College
- Franklin University
- Fullerton College
- George Washington University
- Georgetown University
- Golden West College
- Gonzaga University
- Grand Canyon University
- Grossmont College
- Harvard University
- Harvey Mudd College
- Hiram College
- Humboldt State University
- Johns Hopkins University
- Johnson and Wales University
- Lake Forest College
- Lewis Clark State College
- Marquette University
- Mesa Community College
- Miami University of Ohio
- Michigan State University
- Middlebury College
- Mills College
- Mira Costa College
- Montana State University
- Newberry College
- New York University
- Northern Arizona University
- Notre Dame College
- Ohio State University
- Orange Coast College
- Oregon State University
- Pacific Lutheran University
- Palomar College
- Pennsylvania State University—DuBois
- Pepperdine University
- Point Loma Nazarene University
- Pratt Institute
- Prince William Sound Community College
- Purdue University
- Reedley College
- Sacramento City College
- Sacramento State University
- Saint Catherine College
- Saint Louis University
- San Diego City College
- San Diego Mesa College
- San Diego Miramar College
- San Diego State University
- San Francisco State University
- Santa Barbara City College
- Santa Clara University
- Seattle University
- Simmons College
- Sonoma State University
- Southwest College
- Southwest Oregon Community College
- Stanford University
- Suffolk Community College
- Texas Christian University
- Trinity College
- University of Arizona
- 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 Colorado—Boulder
- University of Colorado—Colorado Springs
- University of Georgia
- University of Iowa
- University of Maryland—Baltimore
- University of Michigan
- University of Missouri
- University of Nevada—Las Vegas
- University of Nevada—Reno
- University of New Mexico
- University of North Dakota
- University of Oregon
- University of Redlands
- University of San Diego
- University of San Francisco
- University of South Carolina
- University of Southern California
- University of Utah
- University of Virginia
- University of Washington
- University of Washington
- Vassar College
- Waldorf University
- Walla Walla University
- Washington State University
- Western New Mexico University
- Western Texas College
- Westminster College
- Whitman College
- Whittier College
- York College of Pennsylvania