

LA COSTA CANYON HIGH SCHOOL

San Dieguito Union High School District

SCHOOL PROFILE

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THE SCHOOL

La Costa Canyon High School (LCC) is a student-centered educational community located in south Carlsbad. Current enrollment is approximately 1900 students in grades 9-12, educationally servicing students who live within the San Dieguito Union High School District coastal communities of Cardiff, Encinitas, Leucadia, Olivenhain, and south Carlsbad. Our commitment to academic excellence has resulted in being recognized as a California Distinguished school as well as National Blue Ribbon School. LCC is dedicated to providing each student a well-rounded education through exposures to creative and innovative curriculum through college-bound courses as well as opportunities in career-based course pathways. LCC provides a comprehensive interscholastic athletics program with 26 different varsity-level sports, earning numerous League, CIF, and Open Division Titles. LCC offers more than 80 extracurricular student clubs and an Associated Student Body (ASB) to ensure each student remains connected and engaged on a daily basis. LCC recognizes the increasingly important role community service plays in education and personal growth. Large numbers of students are involved in service projects that are curriculum and community-oriented, and student-based.

THE CURRICULUM

Academic Program

La Costa Canyon offers several educational opportunities for students. In addition to academically challenging courses, students may participate in the Internship/Work Experience program, AVID, Independent Study, and concurrent enrollment at the local community college. Five credits are awarded for each semester class. Classes meet on a rotating block schedule. Students attend three or four of their seven classes on one day with each class 90 minutes in length. The remaining classes meet the following day. All students are expected to carry a minimum of five classes. Grades and credits are assigned in January and June. In addition to a robust AP program, LCC is currently in the Candidacy phase of the International Baccalaureate program, with the plan of beginning a Diploma Programme during the 2018-2019 school year.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

La Costa Canyon graduates are required to earn a minimum of 230 credits, five for each semester class passed with a "D" or better.

| | Credits |
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| English | 40 |
| Math (including Algebra I/Int. Math I) | 30 |
| Physical Education (including Health) | 20 |
| Practical Arts | 10 |
| Science | 20 |
| Social Science | 30 |
| Visual/Performing Arts | 10 |
| Electives | 70 |
| Total Credits | 230 |

In addition, passing Algebra I/Int. Math I is required for Graduation.

PROGRAMS AND HIGHLIGHTS

- Drama Awards - California Thespian state awards and California Educational Theater Association awards
- Award winning music program and marching band
- Speech/Debate - Recognition at local, state and national tournaments
- Courses in Engineering, Biomedicine, Computer Science, Culinary Arts, Digital Photography, Child Development and Fashion Design
- Award winning *MavLife* newspaper publications and *Stampede* yearbook
- Over 80 academic, athletic and community service clubs

GRADING & GPA CALCULATION

La Costa Canyon does not rank its students. Grade point average is calculated based on all grades earned in all classes taken from the freshman through senior year.

| | General/College Prep/ Honors Courses | AP Courses/ Honors Pre-calculus |
|-----|---|------------------------------------|
| A = | 4 pts. | 5 pts. |
| B = | 3 pts. | 4 pts. |
| C = | 2 pts. | 3 pts. |
| D = | 1 pt. | 1 pt. |
| F = | 0 pts. | 0 pts. |
| W = | Withdraw (not calculated in GPA) | |

Grades for Advanced Placement (AP) courses are computed on a five-point scale and are designated on the transcript with a plus symbol (+). Honors classes are not weighted, with the exception of Pre-Calculus Honors.

RANKING

La Costa Canyon High School does not rank its students.

2015 STANDARDIZED TESTING INFORMATION

SAT REASONING TEST

| | |
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| • Number of tests taken | 293 |
| • Mean Critical Reading | 540 |
| • Mean Math | 570 |
| • Mean Writing | 548 |

ACT

| | |
|-------------------------|------|
| • Number of tests taken | 309 |
| • Mean English | 25.5 |
| • Mean Math | 25.6 |
| • Mean Reading | 25 |
| • Mean Science | 24.7 |
| • Mean Composite | 25.3 |

AP EXAMINATIONS

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| • Number of exams taken | 1344 |
| • Number of students being tested | 591 |
| • Percentage of qualifying scores | 75% |

NATIONAL MERIT

| | |
|--------------------------------|----|
| • Semifinalists | 4 |
| • Number of students commended | 20 |

HONORS AND ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES

SDUHSD has an expanded access policy allowing students to take Honors/Advanced Placement courses. 2015-2016 course offerings include 8 Honors and 21 AP courses:

Honors courses:

- English 9 Honors
- English 10 Honors
- Algebra II/Trig. Honors
- Pre Calculus Honors
- Integrated Math I Honors
- Integrated Math II Honors
- Integrated Math III Honors
- Advanced Drama Honors

AP Courses:

- AP English Lang/Comp
- AP English Literature
- AP World History
- AP U.S. History

- AP American Government
- AP Micro Economics
- AP Psychology
- AP Calculus AB
- AP Calculus BC
- AP Statistics
- *Calculus III /Linear Algebra
- AP Biology
- AP Chemistry
- AP Environmental
- AP Physics 1
- AP Physics C: M
- AP Spanish Language
- AP Computer Science
- AP Studio Art Drawing
- AP Studio Art 2D
- AP Studio Art 3D
- AP Art History

*Course taught in collaboration with Mira Costa College

GRADE DISTRIBUTION

The following data reflects the total weighted GPA distribution of the current senior class as calculated at the end of the junior year:

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| 4.25 and above: | 8% |
| 4.0 - 4.24: | 17% |
| 3.5 - 3.99: | 11% |
| 3.0 - 3.49: | 24% |
| 2.5 - 2.99: | 11% |
| Below 2.5: | 12% |

COLLEGE SELECTION

Class of 2016 graduates who met or exceeded University of California / CSU requirements: 72%

- Approximate percentage of students who planned to attend a 4-year college: 75%
- Approximate percentage of students who planned to attend a 2-year college: 20%
- Total number of graduates: 485

2016 COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY ATTENDANCE

University of California

All Campuses Represented

California State University

Chico
Fullerton
Humboldt
Long Beach
Merced
Monterey Bay
San Diego
Sacramento
San Francisco
San Jose
San Luis Obispo
San Marcos
Sonoma

California - Private

Azusa Pacific University
Biola University
California Lutheran University
Chapman University
FIDM, Los Angeles
Loyola Marymount University
Santa Clara University
Stanford University
St. Mary's College
University of San Diego
University of San Francisco
Univ. of Southern California

California Community Colleges

Cuesta College
Mira Costa College
Palomar College
San Diego Mesa College
Santa Barbara City College
Santa Monica City College

Out of State

Amherst College
Arcadia University
Arizona State University
Auburn University
Baylor University
Boise State University
Boston University
Bradley University
Brigham Young Univ.- Idaho
Brown University
Cleveland State University
College of William & Mary
Colorado State University
Cornell University
Dixie College
Drexel University

Out of State-Continued

Eastern Illinois University
Embry Riddle Aeronautical
Emory University
University- Daytona Beach
Hartwick College
Harvard University
James Madison University
Illinois Wesleyan University
Indiana University
Kansas Wesleyan University
Lehigh University
Lewis & Clark College
Loyola University Chicago
Mass. Institute of Technology
McGill University
Michigan State University
Miami University, Oxford
Montana State University
Northeastern University
Northern Arizona University
Oregon State University
Pennsylvania State University
Pepperdine University
Portland State University
Purdue University
Sarah Lawrence College
Southern Methodist University
Southern Nazarene University
Suffolk University
Texas Christian University
Towson University
Tulane University
United States Military Academy
University of Alabama
University of Arizona
University of Colorado, Boulder
University of Findlay
University of Florida
University of Georgia
University of Hawaii, Manoa
University of Kansas
University of Maryland, College Park
University of Michigan
University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
University of Nevada, Reno
University of Oregon
University of Singapore
University of Utah
University of Washington
University of Wisconsin, Madison
Utah State University
Villanova University
Washington & Lee University
Washington State University
Western University
Western Oregon University