

Palisades Charter High School
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PROFILE 2018-2019

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IMPORTANT TRANSCRIPT INFORMATION: Palisades Charter High School is now using the Infinite Campus student information system, and has discontinued use of the LAUSD student information system. The GPA reported on a transcript is listed as “Unweighted GPA (w/ Bonus Points);” please see GPA/CLASS RANK description on next page. Our GPA and rank calculation process is unchanged from previous years.

Palisades Charter High School is a financially independent comprehensive four-year public high school. In 1993 a Charter was approved by the Los Angeles Unified School District and the California State Department of Education, which specified accountability for higher levels of student achievement. In 2003, all school stakeholder groups unanimously supported the transition to financial independence and accountability. Palisades Charter High School is a California nonprofit public benefit corporation governed by an elected Board of Directors, and is a California Distinguished School.

Palisades Charter High School is fully accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) until 2024. The school year includes two semesters of 20 weeks each. Periods 1 through 6 meet every other day for approximately 100 minutes each. Periods 0 and 7 are optional and meet daily for 55 minutes; they are primarily elective courses (drama, orchestra, etc.).

STUDENT BODY

Total enrollment: 3000	Ethnic Diversity		
Graduation Rate: 98.9%	African-American	12%	Asian 9%
Geographic Diversity: Students from more than 113 ZIP Codes attend Palisades Charter High School.	Hispanic	19%	White 59%
	Other	1%	

CURRICULUM

AP Courses offered:

Art - Drawing	Comp Principles	French Language	Statistics
Art - 2D & 3D	Computer Science	Gov't & Politics US	Spanish Language
Biology	English Language	Human Geo	Spanish Literature
Calculus AB & BC	English Lit/Comp	Music Theory	US History
Chemistry	Environmental Science	Physics	World History
	European History		*Art History (not offered '15-'18)

UC-Approved Honors Level Courses offered:

American Literature	Math Analysis
Spanish 3	U.S. History
Contemporary Comp	Chemistry
Physics	French 4
Physiology	Calif. Literature
CCC War Lit	Chicano/a Lit
Neuroscience	Anatomy
African American Lit	Environmental Science

Other Honors Level Courses offered:

English 10	World Literature	Algebra 2
World History	Marine Biology	Geometry
Biology	French 3	Spanish 2
Adv. Composition	Spanish for Native Speakers 2	
Economics	Principles of American Democracy	

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Total credits required: 230 (5 credits = 1 semester class)

English	40 credits	Health	5 credits	Electives	75 credits
Social Science	30 credits	Physical Educ.	20 credits		
Science	20 credits	Visual/Perf. Arts	10 credits		
Mathematics	20 credits	Applied Technology	10 credits		

Students earn elective credits for college eligibility by completing additional math, science, and foreign language courses. Students are required to take 5 credits of Computer Science. Students must complete ten hours of community service per year.

Class of 2018 GPA/CLASS RANK

Preliminary rank is calculated on a 4.0 scale based on all grades earned in the 9th, 10th and 11th grades. If classes are repeated, both grades are included. Only AP grades are weighted in computing GPA (unweighted GPA is augmented .025 point per AP per semester). Final rank is calculated on 9th, 10th, 11th and first semester 12th grades. The grading system is A-B-C-D-F; D is a passing grade for high school graduation purposes. Courses completed outside of Palisades Charter High School are included on the transcript only if the course or the credits are required for graduation.

GPA Distribution:	First Decile	4.0878-4.4000	Fourth Decile	3.5714-3.7545
	Second Decile	3.9368-4.0833	Fifth Decile	3.3203-3.5697
	Third Decile	3.7556-3.9357		

TEST SCORES

Class of 2018	3 National Merit Finalists	1 National Merit Scholar	
	17 NMSQT Commended Students	2 National Hispanic Recognition Program Participants	
Class of 2017	4 National Merit Finalists	1 National Merit Scholar	
	17 NMSQT Commended Students	7 National Hispanic Recognition Program Participants	
Class of 2016:	<u>Mean SAT (2016)</u>	<u>Mean SAT (2016)</u> <small>(Students who also took Subject Tests)</small>	<u>Mean SAT Subject Scores (2016)</u>
	CR 552	CR 645	Literature 646 Math Level 2 709
	Math 555	Math 664	US History 651 Biology E 629
	Writing 544	Writing 649	World History 625 Biology M 678
			Chemistry 717 Physics 661

In **May 2018**, 2227 AP exams (an increase of 14% from 2017) were administered in 24 subjects, with 24% of the students scoring 5, 29% scoring 4, and 26% scoring 3, for an overall pass rate of 79%. Pass rates for AP courses:

Biology	90%	English Lang	76%	Music Theory	65%	Studio Draw	96%
Calculus AB	79%	English Lit	50%	Physics CEM	27%	Studio 2D	100%
Calculus BC	96%	Envir Science	82%	Physics CM	54%	Studio 3D	100%
Chemistry	100%	Euro History	69%	Spanish Lang	100%	US Gov	88%
Computer Sci	100%	French Lang	73%	Spanish Lit	81%	US History	82%
Comp Princ	89%	Human Geo	78%	Statistics	86%	World History	83%

COLLEGE MATRICULATIONS

Class of 2018:	Four-year Colleges	53%	U of California	15%	California State U	11%
			Out of state public	10%	CA Private	6%
			Out of state private	11%	Foreign	1%
	Two-year Colleges/ Trade/Voc	41%	Military/Work/Gap	3%	Unreported/Undecided	3%

Palisades Charter High graduates of 2017 to 2018 **enrolled** in the following colleges and universities:

University of California – all campuses; California State University – 16 of 23 campuses

Alabama State Univ	Clarion University	Georgia Tech	Menlo College	Point Loma Nazarene	Syracuse
AMDA	Clark Atlanta Univ	Gonzaga University	U of Michigan	Prairie View A&M Univ	Tel Aviv University
American Jewish Univ	U of CO Boulder	Harvard University	Mt. Holyoke College	Pratt Institute	UT Austin
American U of Paris	Colorado College	Hobart & William Smith	Mt. St. Mary's Univ	Princeton University	TCU
U of Arizona	CO School of Mines	Howard University	U of Montana	U of Puget Sound	The New School
Arizona State	Columbia University	U of Hawaii Manoa	Morehouse College	Purdue University	Tulane University
Azusa Pacific U	Cornell University	University of Illinois	UNLV & UNR	RISD	Tuskegee University
Bard College	Columbia Col Chicago	Indiana University	New York University	USF	Vanguard University
Barnard College	Univ of Denver	University of Iowa	U of Notre Dame	SAI Chicago	USC
Bates College	DePaul University	Jackson State University	Northern Arizona U	Santa Clara University	University of Vermont
Bentley University	Dickinson College	Johns Hopkins Univ	Northeastern Univ	Sarah Lawrence	Virginia Tech
Berklee Col of Music	Durham University	Kalamazoo College	Northwestern Univ	Seton Hall University	U of Washington
Boston University	Eastern Michigan Univ	Kenyon College	Occidental College	Soka Univ	Wake Forest Univ
Bucknell University	University of Edinburgh	Knox College	Ohio Wesleyan Univ	Sophia University	Wellesley College
Butler University	Embry-Riddle	Lewis & Clark	University of Oregon	Southern Methodist U	Wesleyan University
Cal Lutheran Univ	Emerson College	Loyola Marymount U	Oregon State	Southern Utah Univ	Wheaton College
Calvin College	Emory Univ	Loyola Chicago	Otis College of A & D	Spelman College	Whittier College
Carnegie Mellon U	The Evergreen State	Manhattan Sch - Music	Univ of Pennsylvania	Stanford University	U of Wisconsin
Chapman University	Fordham University	U Mass Amherst	Pepperdine University	Stony Brook University	Yale University
Claremont McKenna	George Washington U	Marist College	University of Pisa	Suffolk University	...and others