



WHITNEY HIGH SCHOOL

School Year
2019-20

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Vision Statement

Whitney High School strives to develop intrinsically motivated, collaborative learners who approach their education purposefully and creatively by taking ownership of their learning to become responsible, innovative global citizens.

Whitney High School (WHS) is a WASC accredited suburban, public, college-preparatory middle and high school serving the top 15% of students throughout the ABC Unified School District. Students are selected and invited to attend based on a composite of their performance on the Smarter Balanced Assessment and an ABC district writing assessment. WHS consists of 1,016 students in grades 7-12, with a 2020 class of 162 seniors. WHS students are: Asian (59%), Filipino (17%), Hispanic/Latino (15%), White (4%), African-American (1.5%), Pacific Islander (0.4%), American Indian/Alaskan (0.4%), and multi-ethnic/no response (2%). Additionally, 25% of our students qualify federally as socio-economically disadvantaged. Whitney High School has demonstrated a consistent graduation rate of 100%. For the class of 2019, 145 out of 162 seniors received the California's Golden State Seal of Merit.

In addition to rigorous academics, Whitney High School sponsors a broad program of co-curricular activities, including: 12 CIF sports, symphonic band, community service projects, drama programs, yearbook, pep squad, student government, academic competitive teams, honor societies, and over 45 interest-based clubs and service organizations.

Curriculum

Whitney offers comprehensive, college-preparatory and honors curricula in English, World Language, Mathematics, Science, and Social Science. All students also complete courses in Visual and Performing Arts and Physical Education.

For 2019-20, Advanced Placement (AP) courses are offered in 16 subjects. High school course offerings, and basic progressions, are outlined by department:

English: English I – III Honors, Rhetorical & Creative Writing, AP English Language, AP English Literature

World Language: Chinese I - IV Honors, AP Chinese, Japanese I - IV Honors, AP Japanese Language, Spanish I - IV Honors, AP Spanish Language

Mathematics: Math 1, Accelerated Math 1 Plus Honors, Math 2, Math 2 Plus Honors, Math 3, Math 3 Plus Honors, Pre-Calculus H, Math Analysis/Calculus A Honors, AP Calculus AB, AP Calculus BC, Statistical Reasoning, AP Statistics

Science: Biology Honors, Chemistry CP, Chemistry Honors, AP Chemistry, Physics CP, Physics Honors, Chemistry of Living Systems Honors, AP Physics C, AP Biology, Science and Engineering Practicum

Social Science: World History/Geography Honors, World History/Geography MUN Honors, AP Human Geography, U.S. History Honors, AP U.S. History, Civics Honors, Economics Honors, Model United Nations (MUN) Independent Study

Visual & Performing Arts: Beg/Int/Adv 2-D Art, Beg/Int/Adv 3-Dimensional Art, Ceramics I & II, AP Art History, Symphonic Band, Jazz Band, String Orchestra, Broadcast Production, Film/Video Production, Intro to Multimedia Production, Digital Photography, Stage Craft, Theater Lab I – III

Other:

AP Computer Science Principles, Intro/Int/Adv Game Design, Computer Programming-Artificial Intelligence, AP Psychology

Grading System and Scale

All grade point averages are reported using a cumulative, unweighted, 4.0 scale. The scale for all courses are: A = 90-100, B = 80-89, C = 70-79, D = 65-69, and F = 0-64%. WHS does not report class rank.

Graduation requirements: 4 years English, 3 years Math, 1 year physical science, 1 year life science, 1 year US History, 1 year Civics/Econ, 1 year World History, Health, 2 years Physical Education, 1 year Fine Arts or World Language, and 8 electives.

GPA Distribution: Class of 2020 (Calculated 9-11th Grade)

| GPA | # of students |
|------------|---------------|
| 4.0 | 11 |
| 3.90-3.99 | 21 |
| 3.75-3.89 | 28 |
| 3.60-3.74 | 32 |
| 3.30-3.59 | 35 |
| 3.00-3.29 | 24 |
| Below 2.99 | 11 |

Advanced Placement Exams – May 2019

Total Number of Tests Taken: 877
 Total Number of Candidates: 404
 Overall Pass Rate (3, 4, or 5): 98%

| Subject | Number of Students | % of 3 or higher* |
|--------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Art History | 18 | 100% |
| Biology | 64 | 100% |
| Calculus AB | 35 | 94% |
| Calculus BC | 37 | 100% |
| Chemistry | 27 | 93% |
| Chinese Language | 14 | 100% |
| Computer Sci. Principles | 72 | 96% |
| English Language | 90 | 96% |
| English Literature | 17 | 76% |
| Human Geography | 30 | 100% |
| Japanese Language | 12 | 100% |
| Physics C: Mechanics | 27 | 100% |
| Psychology | 136 | 98% |
| Spanish Language | 25 | 100% |
| Statistics | 119 | 97% |
| United States History | 127 | 96% |

*Percentages for AP courses offered in the 2018-2019 year.

Enrollment in AP Courses (2019-20)

| Number of AP Courses | 10 th Grade 176 | 11 th Grade 169 | 12 th Grade 162 |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 0 | 16 | 22 | 13 |
| 1 | 76 | 31 | 28 |
| 2 | 70 | 33 | 58 |
| 3 | 14 | 64 | 46 |
| 4 | - | 17 | 15 |
| 5 | - | 2 | 2 |

National Merit

| | 2019 | 2020 |
|---------------------------------------|------|------|
| National Merit Semifinalists | 12 | 6 |
| National Merit Finalists | 12 | tbd |
| National Merit Commended Scholars | 29 | tbd |
| National Hispanic Recognition Program | 1 | tbd |

August 2018 – June 2019 SAT I Exam Averages

| Section | Whitney Mean |
|---------|--------------|
| Reading | 670 |
| Math | 698 |
| Total | 1368 |

2017 ACT Exam Averages*

| Section | Whitney Mean |
|-----------|--------------|
| English | 31.2 |
| Math | 30.6 |
| Reading | 30.7 |
| Science | 28.9 |
| Composite | 30.4 |

*2018 ACT data to be released.

College Enrollment: Class of 2019 (165 students)

Attending 4 Year University: 84 %
Attending 2 Year University: 16 %

Universities of California 58 students (35%)
 Berkeley, Davis, Irvine, Los Angeles, Merced, Riverside, San Diego, Santa Barbara

California State Universities 37 students (22%)
 Dominguez Hills, Fullerton, Long Beach, Pomona, San Diego

Public, Out-of-State Universities 6 students (4%)
 Michigan State, University of Hawaii-Manoa, University of Massachusetts- Lowell, US Military Academy West Point, Virginia Commonwealth

Private, In-State Colleges 16 students (10%)
 Cal Baptist, Cal Tech, Chapman, Dominican U of California, Loyola Marymount U, Occidental College, U of San Francisco, U of Southern California

Private, Out-of-State Colleges 20 students (12%)
 Case Western Reserve U, Chaminade U of Honolulu, Emmanuel College, Hamilton College of New York, Johns Hopkins University, MCPHS, Northeastern University, Princeton University, Reed College, Rensselaer Poly Institute, Ringling College of Art and Design, Rochester Institute of Technology, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, University of Pennsylvania, Yale

International Colleges 2 Students (1%)
 Northumbria University-Newcastle, University of Cambridge

Community Colleges 25 students (15%)
 Cerritos College, Cypress College, Mt. SAC, Santa Monica College

Military- U.S. Marines 1 Student (1%)