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2019-2020 Canyon High School CEEB code: 052267

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## Community

Canyon High School sits on a forty acre campus and is one of four comprehensive high schools in the Orange Unified

School District. It is located in the beautiful community of Anaheim Hills in Southern California. The Orange Unified School District encompasses 128 square miles and serves the communities of Anaheim, Garden Grove, Orange, Santa Ana and Villa Park.

#### **School**

Anaheim Hills is an upper middle socio-economic community. The school's ethnicity is 18.5% Asian, 2.7% Filipino, 21.4% Hispanic, 1.9% African American, 49.0% Caucasian, and 5.9% multi-ethnic. The percent of students who qualify for economically disadvantaged programs is 17.5%. Less than 10% of students are first-generation college. The major employers in Orange County include Walt Disney, University of California Irvine, UCI Medical Center and St. Joseph Health System. Orange County is home to a variety of technology based corporations and entertainment related businesses. In October 2015, Canyon High School received a 6 year term of accreditation from the Western Association of Schools and College

### Curriculum

The academic program is organized on a rotating block schedule where students attend 3 block classes organized by even and odd days. Students are enrolled in six year-long courses where they earn 5 credits per course totaling 30 credits per semester. Students may enroll in a zero period class or 7<sup>th</sup> period class when available. Please note that 0-period or 7<sup>th</sup> period classes meet every day of the week. The block schedule permits an average of 100 minutes per period.

AP courses are offered in: 2D Art & Design, Art History, Biology, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Chemistry, Chinese Language & Culture, Computer Science A, Computer Science Principles, Drawing, English Language, English Literature, European History, French Language & Culture, Human Geography, Macroeconomics, Music Theory, Physics 1, Physics C, Psychology, Spanish Language & Culture, Spanish Literature & Culture, Statistics, U.S. Government & Politics, and U.S. History. The Advanced Placement program is an open-access program.

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International Baccalaureate courses are offered in: Biology HL, English HL, French IV SL, History of the Americas HL, Mandarin SL, Psychology SL, Spanish IV SL, Environmental Systems SL, and Theory of Knowledge.

Honors classes are offered in: Biology, Chamber Singers, Chemistry, English 9 & 10, Math 1, Math 2, Model United Nation, Physiology, Pre-Calculus w/Trig, UCCI Spanish 4

### Grading

The school administrative staff reviews grading criteria and practices annually. Grading practice is communicated to students at the onset of each semester through the dissemination of course expectations.

#### Rank

A percentage rank is calculated for seniors based on their weighted academic GPA earned in grades 9-11.

## **Graduating with Honors**

Students with a cumulative grade point of 4.7 and above are designated Summa Cum Laude and those with a cumulative grade point of 4.5 – 4.699 are designated Magna Cum laude for graduation.

#### **GPA Calculation**

Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, and Honors classes are weighted on a 5 point scale. Grades are recorded on the transcript and grade point average is computed in January and June.

#### Class of 2018

84% of the 570 graduates in the class of 2017 earned a Grade Point Average (GPA) over a 2.5.

- ♦ 192 earned a 4.0+
- ❖ 116 earned 3.5 3.99
- ❖ 91 earned 3.0 3.49

- ♦ 80 earned 2.5 –2.99
- 62 earned 2.0 2.49
- 29 earned less than a 2.0

### **Standardized Test Results**

Canyon High School students consistently perform above the state and national averages on the SAT and ACT as well as on AP and IB exams.

86% of the Class of 2018 (492) took the SAT		21% of the Class of 2019 (119) took the ACT	
Evidence Based Reading and Writing:	562/800	Average Composite:	24.9
Math Mean:	553/800		

## **Advanced Placement**

In May 2019, 634 students took AP exams. A total of 1,244 exams were taken in 30 subjects. Diplomas.

## **International Baccalaureate**

In May 2019, 74 exams were taken in 8 subjects. 100% of IB Diploma candidates received IB

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70% of the AP exams received a score of 3 or higher. 97% of the IB exams received a score of 4 or higher.

## **Post High School Placement**

54% Matriculate to 4 year colleges & universities.44% matriculate to 2 year community colleges.2% select work, military service, or technical instruction.

#### **Awards and Distinctions**

Four National Merit Semi-Finalists; Three National Merit Scholarship Recipients, 21 National Merit Program Commended Students, 120 Seal of Biliteracy Recipients, 220 Golden State Seal Merit Recipients, California Distinguished School; California Business for Education Excellence Honor Roll; Gold Ribbon School

## Colleges attended by Canyon High School graduates over the past few years:

Abilene Christian College
Air Force Academy
Arizona State University
Azusa Pacific University
Baylor University
Biola University
Boston College
Boston University
Brandeis University
Brigham Young University
California Baptist University
California Institute of

Technology California State

University

Carnegie Mellon University Chapman University Colgate University

Colorado State University Columbia University Cornell University Dominican College Duke University Florida State University

Georgetown University
Harvard College
Harvey Mudd College

Johns Hopkins University

M.I.T.

Michigan State University

Naval Academy

New York University Northern

Arizona University Northeastern University Northwestern University

Pennsylvania State University

Pepperdine University Pomona College

Portland State University

Purdue University
Rice University
Rutgers University
Scripps College
Seattle University
Skidmore College
Soka University
Stanford University

Tennessee State University
Texas Christian University
University of Alabama
University of Alaska
University of Arizona
University of California
University of Chicago
University of Florida

University of Hawaii

University of Houston
University of Kentucky
University of La Verne
University of Michigan
University of Missouri
University of Montana

University of New Hampshire

University of Nevada
University of Notre Dame
University of Oregon
University of the Pacific
University of Pennsylvania
University of Redlands
University of San Diego
University of San Francisco
University of Southern CA
University of Southern Vermont

University of Wyoming Utah State University Vanderbilt University Vassar College Wesleyan University Westmont College

West Point
Whittier College
Yale University

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Note:

We do not send official transcripts or test scores; students request test scores through College Board & ACT and official transcripts through Parchment.