

MOUNTAIN VIEW HIGH SCHOOL

Mountain View-Los Altos Union High School District

A California Distinguished School

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2019 - 2020 SCHOOL PROFILE



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Mountain View High School (MVHS) is one of two comprehensive high schools in the Mountain View-Los Altos Union High School District. MVHS serves a diverse student body of 2,181 students from the cities of Mountain View, Los Altos and Los Altos Hills. Our student body is 42% Caucasian, 29% Asian, 23% Latino, 2% African American and 4% other.* In the heart of the Silicon Valley, our neighbors include technology giants Google, Intuit, Microsoft and NASA-Ames. As a college-preparatory high school, MVHS responds to the community's demand for rigor, relevance and excellence by offering open access to all 37 Honors and Advanced Placement (AP) courses across the curriculum. The school earned the distinction of California Distinguished High School in 1994 and 2003. In 2007 and 2013, MVHS received a full 6-year accreditation from the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). *Newsweek* ranks MVHS among the top 1% of high schools nationwide.

*enrollment and demographic data as of 8/30/19

MVHS VISION STATEMENT

We at MVHS value an equitable and collaborative learning environment in which students and staff respect the diversity of our society. We value the intellectual, emotional, and physical well-being of our community. We are committed to empowering lifelong learners who can think critically, solve problems creatively, and participate ethically at MVHS and in our greater democratic society.

THE CURRICULUM – ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Mountain View High School offers a rigorous college preparatory program with a wide selection of honor and AP classes as well as special education and English language development classes. The school operates on a modified block schedule with 50-minute class periods three days a week and 90-minute periods two days a week, plus a weekly Tutorial. We have an open access policy for admission to Honors/AP classes.

GRADING SYSTEM

Mountain View High School lists both unweighted and weighted GPA on the transcript. Weighted GPA is based on all H & AP courses, grades 9-12. Transcripts follow a standard grading system: **A, B, C, D, F, P** (pass-credit), **I** (incomplete), **NM** (no mark), **W** (withdrawal).

- Academic GPA (AGPA 9-12): based on all courses taken in grades 9-12, excluding PE/Sports and other non-academic courses (e.g., teaching assistants, peer tutors)
- Academic GPA (AGPA, 10-12): based on all courses taken in grades 10-12, excluding PE/Sports and other non-academic courses (e.g., teaching assistants, peer tutors)
- Total GPA (TGPA 9-12) reflects all courses taken in high school

RANKING

The MVLA High School District does NOT rank students. A grade distribution table is published for every graduating class, based on Academic GPA 9-12. The table for the graduation class of 2019 is shown below.

GRADE DISTRIBUTION TABLE

Unweighted GPA		Weighted GPA	
4.51-5.00: 0	3.51-3.75: 82	4.51-5.00: 35	3.51-3.75: 42
4.26-4.50: 0	3.01-3.50: 127	4.26-4.50: 65	3.01-3.50: 83
4.01-4.25: 0	2.51-3.00: 89	4.01-4.25: 52	2.51-3.00: 72
3.76-4.00: 102	2.5-below: 62	3.76-4.00: 61	2.5-below: 52

OFF-CAMPUS PROGRAMS FOR MVHS STUDENTS

- **Middle College:** a program where MVHS students may spend one or two full years combining high school and college coursework at a local community college
- **Freestyle Academy:** a communication arts and technology program offering college-preparatory and Honors English and state-of-the-art instruction in multimedia production
- **Moffett Independent Study:** a program for students needing to complete high school diploma requirements in an alternative setting – available for concurrent or full-time enrollment
- **College Now!** a program for students who are highly self-motivated, mature, independent, responsible and hardworking, and who may have 'outgrown' high school and are seeking a stimulating educational environment that is different from high school

SAT REASONING TEST RESULTS

	2017	2018	2019
No. Tested	215	307	294
Mean Score*	1266	1292	1285
Evidence Based Reading & Writing	629	641	633
Math	636	651	652
Met both ERW & Math Benchmarks	81%	86%	86%

*Mean Score range 400-1600

SAT SUBJECT TESTS NUMBER TESTED/MEAN SCORES

EXAM SUBJECT	2017	2018	2019
Math Level 2	128/723	134/721	135/717
Biology Molecular	32/728	31/711	26/736
Chemistry	39/705	46/715	38/688
Physics	35/692	26/725	40/712
Literature	33/620	27/619	28/661
U.S. History	32/658	64/670	45/676

ACT - NUMBER TESTED/MEAN SCORES

EXAM SUBJECT	2017	2018	2019
No. Tested	240	177	174
English	27.9	28.9	27.8
Math	28.0	28.3	27.4
Reading	28.1	28.8	28.1
Science	27.5	27.3	27.2
Composite	28.0	28.4	27.7

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

All AP students are strongly encouraged to take AP exams.

	2017	2018	2019
No. of Graduates	424	434	425
No. of Test Takers	788	798	892
No. of Exams Taken	1653	1647	1881
No. of Qualifying Scores	1363	1410	1549

COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY ATTENDANCE BY YEAR OF GRADUATION

	2017	2018	2019
Total to College	94%	93%	95%
▪ 2-Year Colleges	28%	24%	20%
▪ 4-Year Colleges	66%	70%	75%

