

# LOS ALTOS HIGH SCHOOL

Mountain View-Los Altos Union High School District

*A California Distinguished School*

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## 2017 – 2018 SCHOOL PROFILE



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Los Altos High School (LAHS) is a comprehensive public high school (9-12) located in the heart of Silicon Valley, serving a diverse student body from both professional and working-class families. The Mountain View-Los Altos Union High School District consists of two high schools, a continuation high school and a number of alternative programs. Our attendance area includes highly affluent sections of Los Altos, Los Altos Hills and Mountain View as well as low-income housing sections of Mountain View. Newsweek ranked LAHS among the top 1% of high schools nationwide. Enrollment of 2,234 students includes 41% Caucasian, 27% Hispanic-Latino, 28% Asian and 4% other.\* LAHS is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC).

*\*enrollment and demographic data as of 8/25/17*

### LAHS VISION STATEMENT

We at Los Altos High School value a learning environment in which students and staff work together in a spirit of unity and mutual respect. We are committed to the process of continuous learning and the application of knowledge. We value the diversity of our paths while promoting a community in which members have an equal opportunity to excel as people and learners.

### THE CURRICULUM – ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Los Altos High School offers a rigorous college preparatory program with wide selections of honors and AP classes as well as special education and support 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

Los Altos High School lists both weighted and unweighted GPA on the transcript. Weighted GPA includes 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) and **W** (withdraw).
- 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 graduating class of 2017 is shown below.

### GRADE DISTRIBUTION TABLE

Unweighted GPA		Weighted GPA	
4.51-5.00: <b>0</b>	3.51-3.75: <b>81</b>	4.51-5.00: <b>34</b>	3.51-3.75: <b>39</b>
4.26-4.50: <b>0</b>	3.01-3.50: <b>108</b>	4.26-4.50: <b>45</b>	3.01-3.50: <b>84</b>
4.01-4.25: <b>0</b>	2.51-3.00: <b>102</b>	4.01-4.25: <b>55</b>	2.51-3.00: <b>82</b>
3.76-4.00: <b>94</b>	2.5-below: <b>56</b>	3.76-4.00: <b>53</b>	2.5-below: <b>49</b>

### OFF-CAMPUS PROGRAMS FOR LAHS STUDENTS

- **Middle College:** a program where LAHS 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

### SAT REASONING TEST RESULTS MEAN SCORES

	2015	2016	2017 (New)
No. Tested	246	274	250
Mean Score	1869	1864	1245*
Evidence Based Reading & Writing	N/A	N/A	621
Math	N/A	N/A	625
Met both ERW & Math Benchmarks	N/A	N/A	76%

\*New SAT (March 2016 & beyond) Mean Score range 400-1600

### SAT SUBJECT TESTS NUMBER TESTED/MEAN SCORES

EXAM SUBJECT	2015	2016	2017
Math Level IIC	131/708	160/715	137/723
Biology Molecular	52/707	50/662	26/695
Chemistry	57/665	48/667	38/673
Physics	37/695	73/710	63/708
Literature	37/672	41/662	44/662
U.S. History	40/692	44/682	25/683

### ACT - NUMBER TESTED/MEAN SCORES

EXAM SUBJECT	2015	2016	2017
No. Tested	191	234	246
English	28.0	27.1	27.3
Math	28.3	26.9	27.1
Reading	28.5	27.4	26.8
Science	28.3	26.4	26.6
Composite	28.4	27.1	27.1

### ADVANCED PLACEMENT

*All AP students are strongly encouraged to take AP exams.*

	2015	2016	2017
No. of Graduates	383	466	441
No. of Test Takers	693	743	812
No. of Exams Taken	1585	1648	1815
No. of Qualifying Scores	1282	1352	1523

### COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY ATTENDANCE BY YEAR OF GRADUATION

	2015	2016	2017
Total to College	95%	95%	94%
▪ 2-Year Colleges	28%	26%	28%
▪ 4-Year Colleges	67%	69%	66%

WEIGHTED GRADE DISTRIBUTION 2016/17 2nd Semester-Core Academic Classes									GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS		HONORS (H) AND ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) COURSES	
CRS #	Mathematics	A	B	C	D	F	TOTAL	GPA	English: 4 years (40 cr)	English: World Literature H English Language AP English Literature AP English 3H (Freestyle) H English 4H (Freestyle) H		
AC2010	Geometry 9	52	53	43	8	14	170	2.71				
AB2010	Geometry H	64	57	21	5	3	150	4.14				
AC3010	Algebra II	131	94	75	24	26	350	2.80				
AB3010	Algebra II H	66	62	13	3	0	144	4.33				
AC4010	Trig/Math Ana	104	53	45	9	2	213	3.16				
AB4010	Trig/Math Ana H	72	48	19	2	2	143	4.29				
AI 3100	Alg II Enhanced	36	4	2	0	0	42	3.81				
AC5010	Calculus	56	34	5	0	0	95	3.54				
AA5010	AP Calculus AB	63	49	25	4	2	143	4.15				
AA6010	AP Statistics	42	33	3	0	0	78	4.50				
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>686</b>	<b>487</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>1528</b>					
CRS #	Science	A	B	C	D	F	TOTAL				Social Studies: 3.5 yrs (35 cr) World Studies (10 cr) Contemporary World Issues (5 cr) or AP Modern European History (10 cr) US History (10 cr) Civics (5 cr) Economics (5 cr)	Social Sciences: European History AP US History AP Govt & Politics US AP Microeconomics AP Psychology AP
CC1010	Biology	65	84	59	27	15	250	2.63				
CB1010	Biology H	163	86	18	5	0	272	4.50				
CA1010	AP Biology	49	28	17	1	0	95	4.32				
CC2010	Chemistry	85	72	45	26	10	238	2.82				
CB2010	Chemistry H	117	76	15	2	0	210	4.47				
CA2010	AP Chemistry	24	15	1	0	0	40	4.58				
CA3010	AP Physics I	41	75	77	4	0	197	3.78				
CA3020	AP Physics II	40	33	4	0	0	77	4.47				
CA4010	AP Environ Science	67	49	25	5	1	147	4.19				
CC4020	Forensics	31	20	15	0	0	66	3.24				
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>682</b>	<b>538</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>1592</b>					
CRS #	English	A	B	C	D	F	TOTAL		Science: 2 years (20 cr) Must include 10 cr of Life Science and 10 cr of Physical Science	Mathematics: Geometry H Algebra II H Trig/Math Analysis H Calculus AB AP Calculus BC AP Multivar.Calc. H Statistics AP		
DC1010	Survey Comp/Lit	222	186	86	16	10	520	3.14				
DC2015	Wrld Literature	99	146	71	16	13	345	2.88				
DB2010	World Lit H	79	43	9	3	0	134	4.48				
DA2010	AP English Lang	74	59	7	2	2	144	4.38				
DC3010	Amer Lit Survey	102	111	55	19	3	290	3.00				
DC4010	Eng Lit Survey	46	66	40	13	2	167	2.84				
DA4010	AP English Lit	54	26	3	0	0	83	4.61				
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>676</b>	<b>637</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1683</b>					
CRS #	Social Sciences	A	B	C	D	F	TOTAL				World Language Fine Art Practical Art: 2 years (20 cr) any combination of the above	World Language: Chinese Language AP French III H French Language (IV) AP Latin AP Spanish II H Spanish III H Spanish III H for Span Spkr H Spanish Language (IV) AP
EC1010	World Studies	247	162	78	29	12	528	3.14				
EC1110	Cont World Issues	62	50	22	11	1	146	3.10				
EA2010	AP European History	58	30	10	8	0	106	4.30				
EC3010	U S History	192	95	52	32	15	386	3.08				
EA3010	AP U S History	78	17	7	2	0	104	4.64				
EA4020	AP Micro Economics	30	27	10	0	0	67	4.30				
EA4030	AP Psychology	80	23	6	1	1	111	4.61				
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>747</b>	<b>404</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>1448</b>					
<b>Total: 220 credits</b>										Other: Computer Science AP		

**3 YEAR COLLEGE MATRICULATION - CLASS OF 2015, 2016 & 2017**

Out of State - 389		4-Year Institutions		California State University - 162		University of Calif - 207		California Private - 88	
American Univ - 2	DigiPen Instit of Tech - 1	London College of Comm UK - 1	Sch of Art Instit of Chicago - 4	Univ of New Hampshire - 1					
Arcadia Univ   Dickinson College - 2	Drexel Univ   Haverford - 2	Loyola Univ Chicago - 1	Seattle Univ - 6	Univ of Notre Dame - 2					
Arizona State - 4	Duke Univ - 3	Lund Univ SWEDEN - 1	Simon Fraser Univ CAN - 1	Univ of Oregon - 17					
Arts Univ Bournemouth UK - 1	Durham Univ UK - 1	Miami Univ, Oxford - 1	Southern Methodist Univ - 3	Univ of Pennsylvania - 1					
Babson College - 2	Earlham College - 1	Michigan State - 4	Southern Oregon Univ - 1	Univ of Portland   Willamette Univ - 2					
Barnard College - 2	Eastman Sch of Music - 1	Montana State, Bozeman - 2	Swarthmore College - 1	Univ of Puget Sound - 3					
Barrett College - 1	Emerson College - 1	New School - All Divisions - 3	Syracuse Univ   Stevens Instit of Tech - 2	Univ of Texas, Austin - 1					
Bates College - 1	Fordham Univ - 1	New York Univ - 17	Texas A&M   Texas Christian Univ - 3	Univ of Utah - 2					
Boise State - 2	George Fox Univ - 1	Northeastern Univ - 16	Tufts Univ - 4	Univ of Vermont - 1					
Boston College - 1	George Washington Univ - 2	Northwestern Univ - 5	Tulane Univ - 2	Univ of Victoria CAN - 1					
Boston Univ - 4	Georgetown Univ - 3	Oberlin College of Arts & Sci - 1	US Air Force Academy - 1	Univ of Virginia   Hampden-Sydney - 2					
Brandeis   College of Holy Cross - 2	Georgia Tech - 2	Olin College of Engrg - 1	Univ of Alabama - 3	Univ of Washington - 15					
Brigham Young Univ Utah - 10	Gonzaga Univ - 3	Oregon Instit of Tech - 1	Univ of Arizona - 10	Univ of Wisconsin - 3					
Brigham Young   Idaho State - 2	Grenoble FRANCE - 1	Oregon State - 5	Univ of British Columbia CAN - 2	Univ of Wyoming - 1					
Brown Univ - 1	Harvard Univ - 5	Pace Univ NYC - 1	Univ of Chicago - 5	Vancouver Island Univ CAN - 1					
Bryn Mawr College - 1	Hofstra Univ - 1	Pacific Univ   Portland State - 2	Univ of Cincinnati   Ohio State - 2	Vanderbilt Univ - 2					
Carleton College - 2	Illinois Instit of Tech - 1	Pennsylvania State Univ - 5	Univ of Colorado - 17	Vassar College - 3					
Carnegie Mellon Univ - 4	Imperial College London UK - 1	Princeton Univ - 2	Univ of Connecticut   Wesleyan - 2	Villanova Univ - 1					
Case Western Reserve - 2	Indiana Univ - 4	Purdue Univ - 7	Univ of Delaware - 1	Virginia Commonwealth Univ - 1					
Colgate Univ   Pratt Instit - 2	Johns Hopkins Univ - 4	Queen's Univ - 1	Univ of Denver - 1	Virginia Tech - 1					
Colorado College - 1	Johnson & Wales Univ - 1	Reed College - 2	Univ of Edinburgh UK - 1	Washington State Univ - 1					
Colorado Sch of Mines - 3	Kenyon College - 1	Rhode Island Sch of Design - 3	Univ of Hawaii - 3	Washington Univ St. Louis - 9					
Colorado State Univ - 1	King's College London UK - 1	Rice Univ - 3	Univ of Illinois - 7	Wellesley College - 3					
Columbia Univ - 1	Knox College - 1	Rochester Instit of Tech - 1	Univ of Michigan - 9	West Virginia Univ   Whitman College - 2					
Connecticut College - 1	Lehigh Univ - 1	Royal Danish Academy DENMARK - 1	Univ of Miami - 1	Western Washington Univ - 2					
Cornell Univ - 6	Lewis & Clark College - 1	St. John's Univ - 2	Univ of Minnesota, Twin Cities - 3	Worcester Polytech - 3					
Dartmouth College - 2	Linfield College - 2	St. Olaf College - 3	Univ of Montreal CAN - 1	Yale Univ   Trinity College - 2					
DePaul Univ - 2	London Centre of Music UK - 1	Sarah Lawrence College - 1	Univ of Nevada - 4						
<b>California State University - 162</b>		<b>University of Calif - 207</b>		<b>California Private - 88</b>					
Cal Poly, Pomona - 3	Northridge - 1	Berkeley - 53	AMDA - Perf Arts   Azusa Pacific Univ - 2	Saint Mary's College of Calif - 3					
Cal Poly, SLO - 39	Sacramento - 3	Davis - 32	Calif Baptist Univ   Calif Lutheran Univ - 2	Santa Clara Univ - 18					
Chico - 13	San Bernardino - 1	Irvine - 13	Chapman Univ - 12	Scripps College - 4					
East Bay - 9	San Diego - 11	Los Angeles - 15	Claremont McKenna - 2	Stanford Univ - 7					
Fullerton - 3	San Francisco - 15	Merced - 10	Dominican Univ of Calif - 1	Stanford Univ - 1					
Humboldt - 6	San Jose - 40	Riverside - 4	Harvey Mudd - 4	Univ of La Verne - 1					
Long Beach - 2	Sonoma - 11	San Diego - 17	Loyola Maryount Univ - 1	Univ of Pacific - 2					
Monterey Bay - 2	Stanislaus - 3	Santa Barbara - 32	Menlo College - 3	Univ of Redlands - 3					
		Santa Cruz - 31	Mills College - 1	Univ of San Diego - 3					
			Occidental College - 1	Univ of San Francisco - 6					
			Pomona College - 3	Univ of S. Calif - 8					
				Whittier College - 1					