LOS ALTOS HIGH SCHOOL

Mountain View-Los Altos Union High School District

A California Distinguished School

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2025 - 2026 SCHOOL PROFILE



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COMMUNITY/SCHOOL PROFILE

LAHS is a comprehensive public high school (9-12) located in the heart of Silicon Valley, serving a diverse student body and community. The Mountain View-Los Altos Union High School District consists of two high schools, a continuation high school and a number of specialized programs, listed on page 2. Our attendance area includes highly affluent sections of Los Altos, Los Altos Hills and Mountain View as well as multi-family housing sections of Mountain View. Newsweek ranked LAHS among the top 1% of high schools nationwide. Of students who applied for financial aid, 24% of students in the class of 2025 and 21% of the students in the class of 2024 were awarded a CalGrant. LAHS is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC).

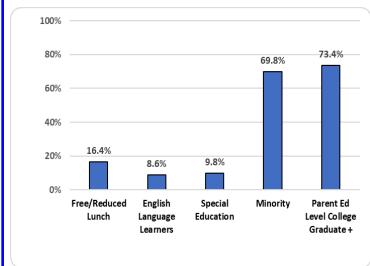
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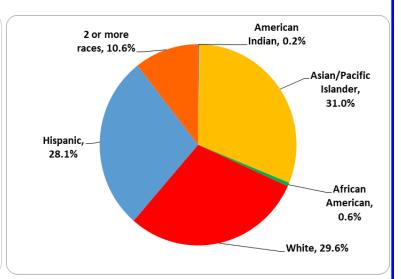
MISSION STATEMENT

A school where all students succeed with an emphasis for our critical learner groups such as multilingual learners and students with Individualized Education Plans

SCHOOL YEAR DEMOGRAPHICS

Total Enrollment: 2170 (CBEDS, Oct 2024)





Data Source: DataQuest & Aeries Query

GRADING SYSTEM

Los Altos 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
- CalGrant GPA is used for students who may qualify for a CalGrant (administrated by the California Student Aid Commission): based on all courses taken in grades 10-12, excluding PE/Sports and other non-academic courses (e.g., teaching assistants, peer tutors).

ACT COMPOSITE AVERAGE				
	2022	2023	2024	2025
Composite Scores	29.4	29.8	29.8	30.1
State Scores	26.5	26.5	25.7	TBA

SAT (1600 SCALE)

	2022	2023	2024	2025
Reading & Writing	662	643	686	664
Math	678	666	697	696

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLAR PROGRAM				
	2022	2023	2024	2025
Semi-Finalists	22	23	16	16
Commended Scholars	57	43	40	36

ADVANCED PLACEMENT - May 2025
1078 students took 2780 tests
1525 students/92% scored 3 or higher in all tests
598 students/44% scored 5 in all tests

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 2025 is shown below.

GRADE DISTRIBUTION TABLE

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Unweighted GPA	
3.76-4.00: 185	
3.51-3.75: 91	
3.01-3.50: 125	
2.51-3.00: 76	
2.5-below: 59	

SPECIALIZED PROGRAMS FOR MVLA STUDENTS

- Middle College: A program where LAHS Junior and Senior students may spend one or two full years combining high school and college coursework at a local community college.
- Freestyle Academy: A two-year, interdisciplinary, project-focused, college preparatory program in communication arts and multi-media production for Juniors and Seniors. Students take courses in English (AP/Honors not available), Digital Media, and one elective track in Film, Animation, or Design.
- 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 Junior and Senior 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.
- Virtual Independent Study Program (VISP): An online, asynchronous, self-paced program is available for students who possess a high level of independence, self-discipline, and motivation. This program offers the flexibility for students to opt for a fully online class load instead of attending classes at the high school.
- Career Technical Education (CTE): A pathway program for students to take a specialized sequence of courses which provides rigorous academic and technical knowledge and skills aligned with a specific career focus.
- Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID): An in-school program for low-income 1st generation college students in grades 9-12. It focuses on academic excellence and college/career readiness. The program offers a rigorous curriculum and college preparatory activities, aiming to equip students with the skills and knowledge necessary for college eligibility and success.

POST HIGH SCHOOL PLANS - Class of 2025

94% College Bound
70% 4 Year College
23% 2 Year College
0% Military
University of California (91)
California State Universities (57)
California Private Schools (51)
Out of State Universities (179)

FOR ADMISSION OFFICERS

- Los Altos High School's curriculum is an academically challenging, college preparatory program. Classes meet for 90-minute periods on alternating block days. LAHS has a seven-period school day, and students are encouraged to enroll in six periods. Students are allowed to enroll in up to seven classes.
- Los Altos High School is an open-access school, allowing students to take any grade-level appropriate courses as they choose.
- Los Altos High School does not have a community service requirement for graduation. Service hours are completely voluntary.

ATHLETICS

Los Altos High School had 866 student-athletes participating in 19 sports in the 2024-25 school year. 225 student-athletes participate in 2+ sports.

Badminton (B, G) Soccer (B,G) Baseball (B) Softball (G) Basketball (B,G) Swimming/Diving (B,G) Cheer & Dance (C) Tennis (B,G) Cross Country (C) Track/Field (C) Football (B) Volleyball (B,G) Golf (B,G) Water Polo (B,G) Lacrosse (B,G) Wrestling (C) Field Hockey (G) Gymnastics(G) Flag Football (G)

STUDENT ACTIVITIES & CLUBS

Over 100 clubs in these exciting areas: Acacia Literary Magazine, AI and Machine Learning, AI in Medical Imaging, Animation and Screenwriting, Artificial Intelligence for Social Good, Care for Children, Cold Therapy, Computer Engineers of the Next Generation, BioArt, Music Production, Science Olympiad, Sports Medicine Awareness and Career, TEDxLAHS, The Chemistry, The Global Uplift Project, Women's Empowerment, Women in STEM, The Genetics, BEAM, Environmental Green Team, Gender & Sexuality Awareness, Mock Trial, The Science Kit, Amnesty International, Chamber Music, Design and Engineering, Happy Hearts, Informatics Research, Model United Nations, MVLA Youth Mentors, Teens Assisting with Communications in Emergency Response, Women In Business, Research Launchpad

Graduation Requirements	Advanced Placement (AP) and Honors (H) Courses	
English: 4 yrs (40 cr)	English: World Literature English Language English Literature	H AP AP
Social Studies: 3.5 yrs (35 cr) World Studies (10 cr) Addtl Global Studies (5 cr) US History (10 cr) Civics (5 cr) Economics (5 cr)	Social Studies: European History US History Govt & Politics US Human Geo Microeconomics Psychology	AP AP AP AP AP
Mathematics: 2 yrs (20 cr) Must include 10 cr of Algebra I or higher	Mathematics: Geometry Algebra II Trig/Math Analysis Calculus AB Calculus BC Statistics	H H H AP AP
Science: 2 ys (20 cr) Must include 10 cr of physical science and 10 cr of life science	Science: Biology Chemistry Physics C: E&M Physics C: Mech Physics I Environmental Science	H/AP H/AP AP AP AP AP

Graduation Requirements	Advanced Placement (AP) and Honors (H) Courses		
World Language/Visual Arts/Practical Arts: 2 yrs (20 cr) any combination	World Language: Chinese Mandarin IV Chinese Language French III French Language Latin Spanish II Spanish III Spanish III H for Span Spkr Spanish Language Spanish Literature	H AP H AP AP H H H AP	
Physical Education: 2 yrs (20 cr)	Visual Arts: Drawing 2D Art & Design Digital Photography (Foothill College)	AP AP	
Health: 1 semester (5 cr) Electives: (60 cr)	Other: Computer Science	AP	
Dual Enrollment/Foothill College: Digital Photography Math 1C/1D			
Total: 220 credits			