

Berkeley High School
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BERKELEY HIGH SCHOOL

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College Enrollment

Ninety-five percent of the 2011 graduating class plan to attend college after graduation. Students from the Berkeley High School class of 2011 will attend the following colleges:

American Univ.
 Arizona State Univ.
 Art Institute of Los Angeles
 Austin College
 Australia National Univ.
 Bard College
 Barnard College
 Bates College
 Beloit College
 Bennett College for Women
 Bennington College
 Boston Univ.
 Bowdin College
 Brandeis Univ.
 Brigham Young Univ., Idaho
 Brown Univ.
 Bryn Mawr College
 California Art Institute
 California College of the Arts
 California State Univ. (all campuses)
 Carleton College
 Case Western Reserve Univ.
 Claremont McKenna College
 Clark Univ.
 College of Wooster
 Colorado College
 Columbia Univ.
 Connecticut College
 Cornell Univ.
 Dartmouth College
 DePaul Univ.
 Drew Univ.
 Earlham College
 Emory Univ.
 Evergreen State College
 Ex'pression College
 Florida State Univ.
 Fordham Univ.
 George Town Univ.
 George Washington Univ.
 Goucher College
 Grinnell College
 Hamilton College
 Hampshire College
 Harvard Univ.
 Howard Univ.
 International Christian Univ., Japan
 Ithaca College
 Langston Univ.
 Lewis and Clark College
 Long Island Univ.
 Loyola Marymount Univ.
 Macalester College
 Marist College
 Massachusetts Institute of Technology
 McGill Univ.
 Middlebury College
 Montana State Univ., Bozeman
 Mount Holyoke College
 Mount St. Mary's College
 New York Univ.
 Northeastern Univ.
 Northwestern Univ.
 Oberlin College
 Occidental College
 Olin College of Engineering

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2011-2012 PROFILE

Berkeley High School has more than 3300 students in grades 9 through 12, with a senior class of 820 students in the class of 2012.

Berkeley High School reflects the diverse ethnic, cultural, and demographic community of Berkeley. At least 10% of Berkeley High School students speak a primary language other than English.

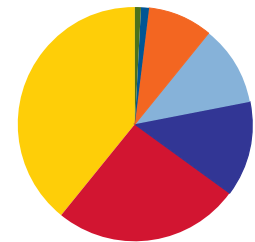
While many students live in areas where the household income exceeds \$80,000, about 30% of Berkeley High School students qualify for free or reduced lunch.

The Berkeley High School curriculum provides a wide range of rigorous courses, including numerous honors, Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate classes. The school's African-American Studies program, now over 30 years old, is a model for the nation's high schools.

Berkeley High School students have access to academic counselors, college advisors, a campus health center, and about 150 teachers. They enjoy support from many outreach programs, such as UC Berkeley's Early Academic Outreach Program. In addition, numerous community-based groups provide scholarship and grant monies to Berkeley High School students and teachers. Continuous renewal of the Berkeley Schools Excellence Project parcel tax by a large majority is evidence of broad-based community support for the city's schools.

There are more than 100 college preparatory classes available to students, as well as diverse course offerings, including an extensive performing and visual arts curriculum and ROP courses in biotechnology, emergency medical careers, sports medicine and media studies. Berkeley High School now has six small learning communities: Academic Choice (AC), Arts & Humanities (AHA), Berkeley International High School (BIHS), Communication Arts & Sciences, Community Partnerships Academy (CPA), and Green Academy (GRN). All schools support the schoolwide goal of having every student be successful in a rigorous academic curriculum.

DEMOGRAPHIC ENROLLMENT



White	- 39%
African-American	- 26%
Hispanic	- 13%
Unknown	- 11%
Asian American	- 9%
American Indian/Alaska Native	- 1%
Native Hawaiian/Other Pac Islander	- 1%

For additional information, contact College Advisors Angela Price, (510) 644-6804 or Yesenia Marquez, (510) 644-4576.

Grading

Berkeley High School does not report individual rank in class, nor does it weight grades. The GPA calculation is based on all courses, including non-college preparatory classes such as physical education.

Our grading system is as follows: A=4, B=3, C=2, D=1, F=0

Advanced Placement

American Government
 Art History
 Biology 1D, 2D
 C++ 3 and 4
 Calculus AB and BC
 Chemistry 1D, 2D
 Economics
 Environmental Science
 French Seminar
 Government and Politics
 Language and Composition
 Latin VI-VIII
 Literature and Composition
 Music Theory
 Physics 1D, 2D
 Spanish Literature
 Spanish Seminar
 Statistics
 Studio Art
 United States History

In order to fulfill the goal of educating all students at an advanced level, the smaller schools (AHA, CAS, CPA, GRN) have de-emphasized advanced placement classes in favor of a highly demanding academic core curriculum. As a result, students in these schools typically have limited space to fit AP, IB and Honors classes in their schedules.

Honors Courses

Advanced Theater Projects
 Algebra 2AH, 2BH
 Geometry 1H, 2H
 Human Anatomy & Physiology 1D, 2D
 Math Analysis

IB Courses

Biology SL
 Chemistry SL
 Economics SL
 English HL
 Environmental Systems and Society SL
 French SL, HL
 History HL
 Kiswahili SL
 Latin SL, HL
 Mandarin SL
 Math SL, HL
 Math Studies SL
 Music SL, HL
 Physics HL
 Spanish SL, HL
 Studio Art SL, HL

Activities

ATHLETICS

Badminton (C)
 Baseball (S)
 Basketball (B & G)
 Crew (B & G)
 Cross Country (B & G)
 Field Hockey (G)
 Football (S)
 Golf (B & G)
 Lacrosse (B & G)
 Soccer (B & G)
 Softball (G)
 Swimming/Diving (B & G)
 Tennis (B & G)
 Track and Field (B & G)
 Volleyball (B & G)
 Water Polo (B & G)
 Wrestling (B & G)
Girls (G), Boys (B), Coed (C), Student (S)

Berkeley High School, which has an extensive and competitive varsity sports program, belongs to the Alameda Contra Costa Athletic League.

PRODUCTIONS

The drama, music, and dance departments, including African dance, modern dance and Advanced Theater Projects, put on major productions each Fall and Spring. The Jazz Ensemble places consistently in the top three in West Coast competitions and regularly tours across the world. The newspaper, yearbook, and literary magazine have received national recognition. The newspaper, The Jacket, has won numerous awards, including first place for the National Scholastic Press Association and Quill and Scroll.

SCHOOL CLUBS

There are more than seventy-five student organizations at Berkeley High School. Among the most active clubs on campus are the Model UN, Black Student Union, Choir Club, Junior Statesman of America, Model UN, Homeless Support Team, Asian-Pacific Islander Committee, Mountain Bike Racing Team, Gay-Straight Alliance, Chess Club, Math Team and the American Red Cross Club. The school also includes a robust leadership program that includes over 120 students and is part of the California Scholarship Federation serving approximately 400 students.

Testing

AVERAGE SCORES

530 students from the Class of 2011 took at least one SAT and 257 took the ACT.

NB: BHS does not report SAT or ACT scores on school transcripts.

2011 SAT	NATL.	STATE	BHS
Crit. Rdg.	497	499	569
Math	514	515	563
Writing	489	499	559

2011 ACT	NATL.	STATE	BHS
Composite	21.1	22.1	23.6

ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMINATION

785 students took 1,609 AP exams in May 2011

AP SCHOLARS

(scored 3 or higher on 3+ AP exams)
 2010 159 scholars
 2011 222 scholars

NATIONAL MERIT – CLASS OF 2011

Commended 46
 Semi-Finalists 12
 National Achievement 2
 Hispanic Scholars 3

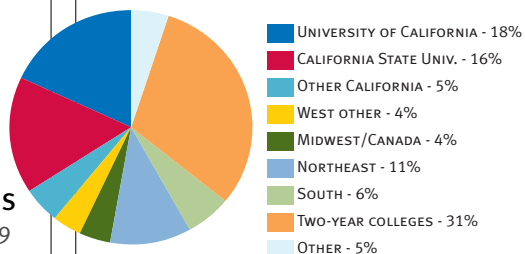
IB TESTS

251 students took 580 IB tests

IB DIPLOMAS

Out of 208 seniors in BHHS, 41 received the full IB Diploma

College Plan



College Enrollment, continued

Pepperdine Univ.
 Pitzer College
 Pomona College
 Pratt Institute
 Princeton Univ.
 Sarah Lawrence College
 Savannah College of Art & Design
 Scripps College
 Smith College
 Southern Virginia Univ.
 Swarthmore College
 St. John's College
 St. John's Univ.
 Stanford Univ.
 Syracuse Univ.
 Texas Southern Univ.
 Tufts Univ.
 Tulane Univ.
 Tuskegee Univ.
 Univ. of British Columbia
 Univ. of California (all campuses)
 Univ. of Chicago
 Univ. of Cincinnati
 Univ. of Colorado, Boulder

Univ. of Hawaii Manoa
 Univ. of La Vern
 Univ. of Michigan
 Univ. of Oregon
 Univ. of Pennsylvania
 Univ. of Puget Sound
 Univ. of Redlands
 Univ. of San Francisco
 Univ. of Southern California
 Univ. of Toronto
 Univ. of Washington
 US Military Academy
 Vanderbilt Univ.
 Vassar College
 Washington Univ.
 Wesleyan Univ.
 Worcester Washington Univ.
 Whittier College
 Willamette Univ.
 Worcester Polytechnic Institute
 Xavier Univ. of Louisiana
 Yale Univ.