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who make significant contributions in our world."

Profile 2016

Committed to Equity and Excellence

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Accreditation

Torrey Pines High School is accredited by the Western Assoc. of Schools and Colleges (WASC).

Policy

It is the policy of the San Dieguito Union High School District to prohibit discrimination or harassment on the basis of sex, disability, race, color, national origin, religious creed, age, marital status, or sexual orientation in its educational programs and the activities which it operates.

Torrey Pines High School
Home of the Falcons

School and Community: The Torrey Pines Falcons

Torrey Pines High School, a three-time National Blue Ribbon School and a California Distinguished School, is an exemplary institution within a strong secondary school district. The 2,578 students in grades 9-12 represent communities in the coastal areas of northern San Diego County. Neighboring institutions such as the University of California, San Diego, Scripps Institute of Oceanography, the Salk Institute, the Scripps Clinic and Research Foundation, and the Burnham Institute, as well as nearby high tech giants like Qualcomm, Intuit and Cisco Systems, all influence the high standard of education and expectation at Torrey Pines High School.

Student success is supported by tutoring centers on campus, over 300 parent volunteers, 150 extracurricular student clubs and the TPHS Foundation. Falcon students consistently earn top honors at academic competitions including a gold medal at the International Physics Olympiad, the San Diego Science Fair, the national journalism convention and drama and video film events. We also offer a comprehensive Division I interscholastic athletics program with 26 varsity-level sports. Since 1974, TPHS scholar-athletes have earned 158 CIF championships, more than any other high school in San Diego County.

Grading Calculation (GPA)

	General/College Prep/ Honors Courses	AP Courses
A = Excellent	4 pts.	5 pts.
B = Above Average	3 pts.	4 pts.
C = Average	2 pts.	3 pts.
D = Passing	1 pt.	1 pt.
F = Fail	0 pts.	0 pts.
I = Incomplete	0 pts.	0 pts.
W = Withdraw	0 pts.	0 pts.

Grades for Advanced Placement (AP) courses are computed on a five-point scale and are designated on the transcript with a plus symbol (+). Honors classes are not weighted, with the exception of Pre-Calculus Honors and Integrated Math III Honors.

Please note: Torrey Pines High School does not compute numerical class ranking. Please see GPA Distribution below.

Graduation Requirements

Torrey Pines graduates are required to earn a minimum of 230 credits, five for each semester class passed with a "D" or better. These include:

- 8 semesters English
- 6 semesters Math
- 4 semesters Science
- 4 semesters P.E.
- 1 semester Health
- 2 semesters Practical Art (Career Tech. Education)
- 6 semesters World and US History and Gov./Econ.
- 2 semesters Visual or Performing Arts

In addition, all students must pass Algebra 1 or Integrated Math 1.

Cumulative Weighted GPA Distribution for Class of 2016 (Junior Year Data)

4.25 and above:	14%
4.0 - 4.24:	13%
3.5 - 3.99:	30%
3.0 - 3.49:	23%
2.5 - 2.99:	12%
Below 2.5:	8%

College Eligibility & Selection

- Approximate percentage of students who planned to attend a 4-year college: 90%
 - Approximate percentage of students who planned to attend a 2-year college: 10%
- Source: TPHS NAVIANCE Senior Survey, June 2016*
- Class of 2015 graduates who met or exceeded University of California/CSU requirements: 73%
- Source: CDE DataQuest, 2014-15*

Honors & Advanced Placement

- AP American Government
- AP Art History
- AP Biology
- AP Calculus AB
- AP Calculus BC
- AP Chemistry
- AP Chinese
- AP Computer Science A
- AP Drawing Portfolio
- AP Economics Macro
- AP English Language
- AP English Literature
- AP Environmental Science
- AP European History
- AP French Language
- AP Japanese
- AP Physics C:M
- AP Physics 1
- AP Psychology
- AP Statistics
- AP Spanish Language
- AP Three-Dimensional Design Portfolio
- AP Two-Dimensional Design Portfolio
- AP U.S. History
- AP World History
- Calculus C/D*
- Calculus D/Linear Algebra*
- Advanced Topics in Math*
- Honors Integrated Math I
- Honors Integrated Math II
- Honors Integrated Math III
- Honors Pre Calculus
- Honors English 9
- Honors English 10

* Courses taught in collaboration with SDSU

Colleges and Universities Attended by the Class of 2016

- Aalto University
- Academy of Art University
- University of Alabama
- American University
- Ancilla College
- Arizona State University
- University of Arizona
- Art Center College of Design
- Auburn University
- Babson College
- Baylor University
- Biola University
- Boston College
- Boston University
- Brandeis University
- Brigham Young University
- Brown University
- Bucknell University
- California Institute of Technology
- UC Berkeley
- UC Davis
- UC Irvine
- UC Los Angeles
- UC Riverside
- UC San Diego
- UC Santa Barbara
- UC Santa Cruz
- Cal Maritime Academy
- Cal Poly, Pomona
- Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo
- CSU Fullerton
- CSU Long Beach
- CSU San Marcos
- Carnegie Mellon University
- Chaminade University of Honolulu
- Chapman University
- University of Chicago
- University of Colorado, Boulder
- University of Colorado, Colorado Springs
- Colorado State University
- Columbia College Chicago
- Columbia University
- Cornell University
- Drexel University
- Duke University
- Duquesne University
- University of Edinburgh
- Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
- Emory University
- Fordham University
- The George Washington University
- Georgetown University
- Harvard College
- University of Hawaii at Manoa
- Hofstra University
- Hong-Ik University
- The College of Idaho
- Indiana University, Bloomington
- University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
- Irvine Valley College
- University of Iowa
- Johns Hopkins University
- University of Kansas
- Lafayette College
- Lassen College
- Lehigh University
- Lewis & Clark College
- Los Angeles Recording School
- Louisiana State University
- Loyola Marymount University
- Loyola University Chicago
- Marist College
- Massachusetts Inst. of Tech.
- University of Melbourne
- University of Miami
- University of Michigan
- Middlebury College
- University of Mississippi
- New England Conservatory of Music
- University of New Hampshire at Durham
- New York University
- University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
- North Carolina State University
- University of Northern Colorado
- Northeastern University
- Northern Arizona University
- Northwestern University
- University of Notre Dame
- Occidental College
- Ohio Wesleyan University
- Oregon State University
- University of Oregon
- University of Pennsylvania
- Pennsylvania State University
- Pepperdine University
- Pitzer College
- Point Loma Nazarene University
- Pomona College
- Portland State University
- Pratt College
- Princeton University
- University of Puget Sound
- Purdue University
- Rhode Island School of Design
- Rochester Institute of Technology
- Rutgers University
- San Diego State University
- University of San Diego
- University of San Francisco
- San Francisco State University
- San Jose State University
- Santa Clara University
- Seattle University
- Sierra Nevada College
- Smith College
- Sonoma State University
- University of Southern California
- Southern Methodist University
- St. Edward's University
- Stanford University
- Swarthmore College
- The Art Institute of California
- Universal Technical Institute
- Texas A&M University
- Texas Christian University
- Texas Lutheran University
- Texas Tech University
- University of Texas, Austin
- The New School-All Divisions
- The Ohio State University
- Tufts University
- Tulane University
- University of Utah
- Valparaiso University
- Vassar College
- University of Victoria
- Virginia Tech
- Washington State University
- Washington University, St. Louis
- University of Washington
- Wellesley College
- Wesleyan University
- Western Kentucky University
- Westmont College
- Wheaton College MA
- Whitman College
- Whittier College
- Williams College
- University of Wisconsin, Madison

College Admission Testing and Advanced Placement Statistics

SAT I 2015/16

Percent of Seniors Taking SAT	60%
Mean Critical Reading SAT	604
Mean Math SAT	635
Mean Writing SAT	612

ACT 2015/16

Percent of Seniors Taking ACT	59%
Composite Scores	27.5

AP* 2015/16

Number of AP Students Tested	979
Number of AP Exams Taken	2278
Percentage of Qualifying Scores**	84%

*Advanced Placement; **Score of 3, 4 or 5; Sources: 2016 College-bound Seniors-Profile of SAT Program Test Taking, The College Board; 2016 ACT High School Profile Report; 2016 Summary of Current Year Grades, Advanced Placement Program, College Board.

National Merit Scholarship Program

Each year, many Torrey Pines seniors are honored through the College Board's National Merit Scholarship Program, a prestigious recognition based on high PSAT scores.

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