



TORREY PINES HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE 2019

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Accreditation

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

Policy

San Dieguito Union High School District prohibits discrimination, harassment, intimidation and bullying in educational programs, activities, or employment on the basis of actual or perceived ancestry, age, color, disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, nationality, race or ethnicity, immigration status, religious beliefs or customs, sexual orientation, parental, pregnancy, family or marital status, military status or association with a person or a group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics. SDUHS requires that school personnel take immediate steps to intervene when safe to do so when he or she witnesses an act of discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying.

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 2,493 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, Salk Institute, Scripps Clinic and Research Foundation, and the Burnham Institute, as well as nearby high tech giants like Qualcomm, Intuit and Cisco Systems, influence the high standard of education and expectations 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 Parent Foundation. Falcon students consistently earn top honors at academic competitions including a gold medal at the International Physics Olympiad, as well as awards at 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 235 CIF championships, more than any other high school in San Diego County.

Grade Point 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.
W = Withdraw	not included in GPA	

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 Integrated Math III Honors.

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

Graduation Requirements

Graduates are required to earn a minimum of 230 credits. Five credits are earned for each semester class passed with a "D" or better. Requirements include:

- 8 semesters English
- 6 semesters World History, US History and Gov./Econ.
- 6 semesters Mathematics
- 4 semesters Science
- 4 semesters Physical Education (including Health)
- 2 semesters Practical Art (Career Tech. Education)
- 2 semesters Visual or Performing Arts
- 14 semesters of electives

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

Cumulative Unweighted GPA Distribution for Class of 2020 (Junior Year Data)

4.00:	8 %
3.75 - 3.99:	25 %
3.50 - 3.74:	23 %
3.00 - 3.49:	25 %
2.50 - 2.99:	10 %
Below 2.50:	8 %

College Readiness

- Approximate percentage of students who planned to attend a 4-year college: 76%
- Approximate percentage of students who planned to attend a 2-year college: 20%

Source: TPHS Senior Exit Survey, June 2019

- Class of 2018 graduates who met or exceeded UC/CSU requirements: 72.7%

Source: CDE DataQuest, 2017-2018

Honors & Advanced Courses

- Chemistry Honors
- English 9 Honors
- English 10 Honors
- Integrated Math I Honors
- Integrated Math II Honors
- Integrated Math III Honors
- Advanced Topics in Math
- Calculus II*
- Calculus III*
- Linear Algebra*
- *may be taken as dual-enrolled college course
- AP Art History
- AP Biology
- AP Calculus AB
- AP Calculus BC
- AP Chemistry
- AP Chinese Language
- AP Computer Science A
- AP Computer Science Principles
- AP Economics Macro
- AP English Language
- AP English Literature
- AP Environmental Science
- AP European History
- AP French Language
- AP Japanese Language
- AP Physics 1
- AP Physics 2
- AP Physics C: Mechanics
- AP Physics C: Elec./Magnet.
- AP Psychology
- AP Research
- AP Seminar
- AP Spanish Language
- AP Statistics
- AP Studio Art: 2D Design
- AP Studio Art: 3D Design
- AP Studio Art: Drawing
- AP US Government and Politics
- AP US History
- AP World History

Colleges and Universities Attended by the Class of 2019

- Aarhus University
- Academy of Art University
- University of Alabama
- American University of Paris
- Arizona State University
- University of Arizona
- Auburn University
- Babson College
- Baylor University
- Biola University
- Boise State University
- Boston University
- Brigham Young University
- Brown University
- Bucknell University
- California Institute of Technology
- California Lutheran University
- UC Berkeley
- UC Davis
- UC Irvine
- UC Los Angeles
- UC Merced
- UC Riverside
- UC San Diego
- UC Santa Barbara
- UC Santa Cruz
- Cal Poly, Pomona
- Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo
- CSU Chico
- CSU Fullerton
- CSU Long Beach
- CSU Monterey Bay
- CSU San Marcos
- Carnegie Mellon University
- Case Western Reserve University
- Chapman University
- University of Chicago
- Claremont McKenna College
- Clemson University
- Colgate University
- College of the Holy Cross
- University of Colorado, Boulder
- University of Colorado, Colorado Springs
- University of Colorado, Denver
- Colorado State University
- Columbus State Community College
- Cornell University
- Dartmouth College
- De Anza Community College
- Denison University
- Elon University
- Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising
- University of Florida
- Florida State University
- George Washington University
- Georgetown University
- Georgia Institute of Technology
- The University of Georgia
- Grand Canyon University
- Grossmont College
- Harvey Mudd College
- University of Hawaii at Manoa
- Humboldt State University
- Icon Collective
- University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign
- Indiana University, Bloomington
- Johns Hopkins University
- University of Kansas
- Keio University, Japan
- Lake Forest College
- Lille University School of Medicine
- Lone Star College
- Louisiana State University
- Loyola Marymount University
- Loyola University Chicago
- Maastricht University
- Manhattan School of Music
- University of Maryland
- Massachusetts College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- University of Massachusetts Amherst
- Menlo College
- Merrimack College
- Miami University, Ohio
- University of Miami
- Michigan State University
- University of Michigan
- University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
- MiraCosta College
- University of Mississippi
- Montana State University
- Mt. San Jacinto College
- University of Nebraska
- New York Film Academy of Los Angeles
- New York University
- Northeastern University
- Northern Arizona University
- Northwestern University
- University of Notre Dame
- Orange Coast Community College
- University of Oregon
- Palomar College
- Pennsylvania State University
- University of Pennsylvania
- University of Portland
- University of Puget Sound
- Point Loma Nazarene University
- Purdue University
- Reed College
- Regis University
- Rhode Island School of Design
- Rhodes College
- Rice University
- University of Richmond
- San Diego City College
- San Diego Mesa College
- San Diego Miramar College
- San Diego State University
- University of San Diego
- University of San Francisco
- San Francisco State University
- San Jose State University
- Santa Barbara City College
- Santa Clara University
- Santa Monica College
- School of Art Institute of Chicago
- Scripps College
- Seton Hall University
- Sonoma State University
- University of Southern California
- Southern Methodist University
- Southwestern College
- Stanford University
- Syracuse University
- University of Tampa
- Temple University
- Texas Christian University
- The Ohio State University
- The University of Texas, Austin
- Tufts University
- Tulane University
- United States Air Force Academy
- United States Military Academy at West Point
- United States Naval Academy
- University of Utah
- Utah State University
- Utah Valley University
- Villanova University
- Virginia Tech
- Waseda University
- Washington University, St. Louis
- University of Washington
- Wellesley College
- Western Michigan University
- Willamette University
- Williams College
- University of Wisconsin, Madison
- Yale University

College Admission Testing and Advanced Placement Statistics

SAT	2018/19
Percent of Seniors Taking	54.7%
Mean Critical Reading	633
Mean Math	663
Mean Total Score	1296

ACT	2018/19
Percent of Seniors Taking	56.9%
Mean Composite Scores	28

Advanced Placement	2018/19
Number of Students Tested	982
Number of Exams Taken	2230
Percentage of Qualifying Scores*	78.57%

*Score of 3, 4 or 5; Sources: 2019 College-bound Seniors-Profile of SAT Program Test Taking, The College Board; 2018 ACT High School Profile Report; 2019 Summary of Current Year Grades, Advanced Placement Program, College Board.

National Merit Scholarship Program

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Source: National Merit Scholarship Program 2019