

Highlights from Chapters 1, 2, and 3

- TPHS is one of 4 high schools in SDUHSD, opening in 1973.
- Our school experienced a period of growth (up to 3,400 kids) and a period (now) where we are smaller (2,650) due to the opening of a new high school (CCA) and the graduation of a class of 900.
- No class exceeds 700 students now.
- Our demographics: 1703 Caucasian, 617 Asian, 261 Hispanic, 38 African-American, 22 Filipino.
- About 5% of our population qualifies for free and reduced lunch.
- We have significant subgroup populations that are served by our English Learners Program, AVID Program, Special Education Program, and GATE/Honors/AP program.
- We have a “Highly Qualified” teaching staff.
- Our API is 852, highest in our district and among comprehensive high schools in the county.
- 41% of our population (3% more than last year) took over 2,600 exams, 80% of which earned a 3, 4, or 5 (2% higher than last year).
- 94% of our students pass the Exit Exam on the first try in 10th grade.
- Subgroup STAR data indicates we need to help our low socio-economic subgroup of students, as well as our students with disabilities.
- About 75% of our graduating classes meet the UC A-G requirements.
- Our average class size is about 35.
- Expanded Academic Access was implemented in 2004, opening courses to students who were not GATE identified. Course profiles were developed to educate students and parents on course selection.
- A GATEway study skills class has been developed.
- A Mentor program has been implemented to help at-risk students.
- AERIES has been implemented for attendance and grading, and parents have access to this information.
- Edline and Aeries permits teachers to communicate with students and parents.
- ConnectEd allows us to reach the community for important information within 15 minutes.
- Choices Nights allow the community to learn about our school prior to applying to a high school in the district.
- 9th grade Parent Nights educate incoming students about our registration process and the need to make thoughtful and informed course selections.
- New developments: A College and Career Counseling Center, READ 180, ELD Training