



ARCADIA HIGH SCHOOL

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School Code 050 130

PROFILE 2005-2006

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TYPE of SCHOOL: Arcadia High School, founded in 1952, is a four-year comprehensive public high school, which was modernized in 1998. From the class of 2004, 98% of Arcadia High's graduating seniors went on to college, with 66% enrolling in four year universities or colleges and 32% attending community colleges. The average class size is 32 and all classes meet for a total of 329 minutes per day. Students in grades 9 through 11 are expected to enroll in six classes per day; seniors may be enrolled in a five-period day if they have sufficient credits to graduate.

FACULTY: Arcadia High School has a teaching staff of 161. Six hold doctorate degrees and 89 have earned masters degrees. The administrative staff consists of the principal, three assistant principals, and two deans of students. A staff of six counselors hold masters degrees and Pupil Personnel Service Credentials, with three of the counselors licensed Marriage/Family/Child Counselors.

ACCREDITATION: Arcadia High School is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges and received a six year accreditation in June, 2004.

SCHOOL COMMUNITY: Arcadia is an upper middle class residential suburban community of 53,000 located fifteen miles east of Los Angeles. During the past several years, there has been an increase in residents moving into the community from China, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Japan and Korea. Current enrollment, including SDC and AHS Alternative Program students, is 3,801 students with 922 in the freshman class, 918 sophomores, 971 juniors and 989 in the senior class.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS: Arcadia High students must complete 225 credits and pass math, reading, writing, and swimming proficiency tests to graduate. Required courses include eight semesters of English; six semesters of social science; four semesters of mathematics including Algebra 1; four semesters of science; four semesters of physical education; two semesters of fine arts and/or foreign language; and a total of 85 credits in general electives. Beginning with the class of 2006, students are responsible for passing both parts of the California High School Exit Exam, English-language arts and mathematics, to receive a high school diploma.

CURRICULUM: Arcadia High School offers a broad range of college preparatory courses. Advanced Placement and Honors level courses include: Freshman and Sophomore Honors English, Junior and Senior AP English; Geometry Honors, Algebra II Honors, Pre-Calculus / Calculus A Honors, AP Calculus AB, AP Calculus BC, AP Statistics, AP Computer Science and Computer Science Honors; Development of Civilization Honors, US History Honors, AP US History, AP Government, AP Comparative Government; Chemistry Honors, AP Chemistry, AP Biology, AP Environmental Science, Physics Honors, AP Physics B and AP Physics C; AP Spanish, AP Spanish Literature, AP French, Mandarin Honors, AP Art History and AP Music Theory. All honors and AP classes require admissions criteria, which may include entrance exams, teacher recommendations, past performance history, audition, or some other type of tryout.

CLASS RANK: Arcadia High School does not use a weighted GPA and does not rank students. The Grade Point Average is calculated on a standard 4.0 grading scale: A = 4 points; B = 3 points; C = 2 points; D = 1 point; F = 0 points.

2005 AVANCED PLACEMENT RESULTS

1945 tests administered to 892 students

TEST	Art History	Biology	Calc AB	Calc BC	Chemistry	Comp Sci-A	English Language	English Literature
Number Tested	73	118	226	140	119	65	237	118
PASSED 3 AND UP	54	110	194	128	99	53	201	111

TEST	Environ Science	Gov't Comp & Politics	Gov't US & Politics	Music Theory	Physics B/C	Spanish Language	Spanish Literature	Stats	US History
Number Tested	11	115	50	27	B/128 C-M/44 C-EM/44	67	1	114	240
PASSED 3 AND UP	9	96	36	10	B/92 C-M/38 C-EM/36	51	1	100	170

NATIONAL MERIT: Arcadia High School's current senior class is represented by 37 National Merit Scholarship Semi-Finalists.

GRADE POINT AVERAGE: The average GPA for the 2004-2005 graduates was 3.2.

POST-SECONDARY CHOICES BY ARCADIA HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES:

4 Year College/University	64%	Technical/Vocational Ed	1%
2 Year Community College	32%	Military Service	1%
		Other	2%

Principal: Mr. David Vannasdall

Assistant Principals: Mrs. Catherine Merel, Curriculum and Assessment

Mr. John Finn, Student and Parent Support Services

Mr. John Tipton, Athletics and Operations

Dean of Discipline: Mrs. Laurie Larson-McQuaid

Counselors: Ms. Winnie Chin, Ms. Joanne Domenici, Mrs. Toni Fox, Ms. Sandy McLaughlin, Ms. Kathy Rapkin, Mrs. Sharon Sandoval, and Ms. Gina Zavala-White.

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