

Sacramento Charter High School



Vision

To create one of the finest urban high schools in America.

Mission

To promote self-motivated, industrious and critically-thinking leaders who are passionate about life long learning, committed to serving others, and prepared to graduate from a four-year college.

History

Established in 1856, Sac High is the second oldest high school west of the Mississippi River and one with a rich, storied history. In 2006, Sac High celebrated its 150th anniversary, a historic event made more significant by the recent changes that had taken place on campus.

Years of low student achievement, high dropout rates, and small percentages of students enrolling in 4-year colleges and universities led to the complete shut down of the school at the end of the 2002-2003 school year. Through massive communitywide organization efforts that summer, the school reopened in September 2003 as a public charter school under the leadership of St. HOPE Public Schools. St. HOPE completely overhauled the curriculum and culture.

Sac High’s college-going culture is designed to give all students the opportunity to be accepted to, attend, and graduate from college. Sac High is divided into four small learning communities (**Law & Public Service**, **Math, Engineering & Health Sciences**, **School of the Arts**, **Business & Communications**) each adhering to the same college-focused principles. The small learning communities afford students the opportunity to pursue individual career interests through specialized internships and classes.

<p>Five Pillars</p> <p>High Expectations Choice & Commitment More Time Focus on Results Power to Lead</p>
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Accreditation & Membership

Sac High is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) and is a member of WACAC and NACAC.
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Students, Faculty, & Community

Enrollment and Demographics (as of October 2018)

Total enrollment	641
Class of 2019	149

Racial and ethnic breakdown:

African-American	56.0%
American Indian/Alaska Native	0.8%
Asian	1.9%
Filipino	0.2%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0.8%
Hispanic/Latino	28.7%
White	1.1%
Multiple	10.6%
Socioeconomically disadvantaged (qualify for free/reduced lunch)	74.6%
English Learners	3.3%
Special Education	11.2%

Admissions

Sac High is a public, independent charter school that is open to all students regardless of district of residence, race, color, national or ethnic origin, primary language, gender, disability or achievement level.

No selection criteria are employed for admissions.

Faculty (as of October 2018)

Total faculty	36
Student to faculty ratio	18:1

Partnerships

Each small learning community at Sac High has forged partnerships with local organizations and corporations. Examples include a mentor program linking Business and Communications students with Wells Fargo employees and UC Davis.

Students can also enroll in vocational internships and classes like Computer Graphics and Visual Communications through the Sacramento County Regional Occupational Program (ROP).

The School

School Schedule

The 2018-2019 school year runs from August 8, 2018 to June 6, 2019 and is broken into 2 terms: August 8 - December 19 and January 9 - June 6.

Students take five academic courses (75-80 minutes per class) plus one advisory class (30 minutes) per term. Each term is equal to one year's worth of credit at a standard high school due to Sac High's block system.

Many seniors will not finalize their second term class schedules until January 2019.

Clubs

Students at Sac High have the option to join a variety of clubs including MECHA, Key Club, and many more.

Students are encouraged to organize and lead teams of students in forming clubs as their interests diversify. Participation in clubs is contingent upon having a 2.0 GPA in current classes.

Athletics

Sac High is a member of the California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) Sac-Joaquin Section and Metropolitan Conference. Participation in athletics is contingent upon having a 2.0 GPA in current classes.

Varsity Women's Teams

Volleyball
Golf
Wrestling
Basketball
Soccer
Softball
Track & field
Cross-country
Cheerleading

Varsity Men's Teams

Volleyball
Football
Wrestling
Basketball
Soccer
Baseball
Track & field
Cross-country
Cheerleading

The Academic Program

Graduation Requirements

The program of study is designed to fulfill all state requirements for accreditation. All students from the class of 2009 onward must complete the “A-G” course requirements for admission into the University of California and California State University systems to graduate.

Graduates are required to earn a minimum of 260 credits, 10 for each term class passed with a C or better. Prior to the 2006-07 school year, however, students, were allowed to pass with a D- or better (see below — Grading System).

Required Credits:

- 30 credits of History/Social Science
- 40 credits of English
- 30 credits of Math, including one Algebra course
- 20 credits of Lab Science, including one Life Science and one Physical Science
- 20 credits of Foreign Language
- 10 credits of Visual and Performing Arts
- 10 credits of a College Prep Elective
- 20 credits of Physical Education
- 20 credits of Advisory [homeroom]
- 60 credits of Electives

Grading System

Current (2006-2007 school year onward)

A+	100-99	4.0 grade points
A	99-95	4.0 grade points
A-	94-90	3.7 grade points
B+	89-87	3.3 grade points
B	86-84	3.0 grade points
B-	83-80	2.7 grade points
C+	79-77	2.3 grade points
C	76-74	2.0 grade points
C-	73-70	1.7 grade points
No Credit (NCR)	Below 70	no grade points

Grade Weights

AP classes receive an extra grade point for grades of A (+/-), B (+/-), and C (+/-) on the weighted GPA only. Sac High has offered one honors course, Honors Chemistry, as a prerequisite for AP Chemistry (when offered). Honors courses taken at other high schools will be weighted according to the AP scale.

Reading Transcripts

Students will have courses listed under Term 1 (fall) or Term 2 (spring). Students who transfer in from other schools using a semester calendar will have courses listed under Sem 1 (fall) or Sem 2 (spring). Courses taken at a community college will be listed under a separate heading. The credit summary on the right hand side of the transcript does not necessarily reflect the correct amount of credits students have earned in each category.

Advanced Placement (AP)

AP classes offered from 2005-06 onwards:

Biology offered ...	2005-06, 2007-12, 2013-16, 2017-19
Calculus AB	2005-09, 2010-19
Calculus BC	2005-07
Chemistry	2005-09
Comparative Studio Art	2006-07, 2011-12, 2013-15
Computer Science A	2005-06
English Lang and Comp	2005-15, 2016-19
English Lit & Comp	2005-14, 2015-16, 2017-19
Government	2005-06, 2007-19
Microeconomics	2012-13
Spanish	2005-09, 2010-11, 2017-19
United States History	2005-19
World History	2005-06, 2007-19

55.6% of the current seniors (class of 2019) have taken or are currently taking at least one AP class. 29.4% have taken or are currently taking three or more AP classes.

In 2017-18, 170 Sac High students took 267 AP exams. There were 51 passing scores (3 or higher).

The Class of 2017

150 Graduates in 2018

100% A-G eligible

College Admissions Testing

SAT Averages (114 took the exam)

Mean Critical Reading SAT (range) 490 (290-710)

Mean Mathematics SAT (range) 473 (290-710)

ACT (149 took the exam)

Mean Composite Score (range) 17.6 (10-29)

Class of 2018 College Acceptances

- Vast majority of students are first-generation college attendees
- 95% acceptance rate into 4 year institutions

The Class of 2018

Distribution of Cumulative Un-weighted Grade Point Averages

149 Seniors (as of October 2018)

Cumulative Un-weighted GPA	Number of Students	%
4.00	0	0.0%
3.99 - 3.50	24	16.1%
3.49 - 3.00	29	19.5%
2.99 - 2.50	40	26.8%
2.49 - 2.00	24	16.1%
Below 2.0	32	21.4%

Class Rank

Rank is reported by percentiles (upon request), and is calculated using the un-weighted cumulative academic GPA reported on official transcripts.

Top % of Seniors	Un-weighted GPA
1%	3.91+
5%	3.72+
10%	3.65+
20%	3.41+

Members of the Class of 2018 were accepted into the following four-year institutions:

Adams State University	Fisk University	Shaw University	Willamette University
Alabama State University	Florida Memorial University	Shawnee State University	Xavier University of Louisiana
Albany State University	Fort Valley State University	Simpson University	
Alcorn State University	Grambling State University	Sonoma State University	
Arizona State University	Hampton University	Southern University and A& M College	
Augusta University	Harris-Stowe University	Southern University at New Orleans	
Benedict College	Howard University	Spelman College	
Bennett College	Humboldt State University	Talladega College	
Bethune-Cookman University	Huston-Tillotson University	Texas Southern University	
Bowie State University	Jefferson College of Health Sciences	Tuskegee University	
California Maritime Academy	Johnson & Wales University	University of Akron	
Cal State Poly Univ, Pomona	Johnson C. Smith University	University of Arizona	
California State University, Bakersfield	Kentucky State University	University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff	
California State Univ, Channel Islands	Langston University	University of California, Berkeley	
California State University, Chico	Lewis & Clark University	University of California, Davis	
California State Univ, Dominguez Hills	Lincoln University	University of California, Irvine	
California State University, East Bay	Lindenwood University	University of California, Los Angeles	
California State University, Fresno	Livingstone University	University of California, Merced	
California State University, Fullerton	Louisiana State University	University of California, Riverside	
California State University, Long Beach	Menlo College	University of California, San Diego	
California State Univer, Monterey Bay	Mississippi State University	University of California, Santa Barbara	
California State University, Northridge	Mississippi Valley State University	University of California, Santa Cruz	
California State University, Sacramento	Montana State University	University of Colorado at Colorado Springs	
California State Univ, San Bernardino	Morehouse College	University of Colorado at Denver	
California State Univ, San Marcos	Morgan State University	University of Nevada, Las Vegas	
California State University, Stanislaus	Norfolk State University	University of the Pacific	
Case Western Reserve University	Northern Arizona University	University of Virginia	
Central State University	Pacific University	Virginia State University	
Central Washington University	Paine College	West Virginia State University	
Clark Atlanta University	Prairie View A&M University	Western Michigan University	
Cornell University	Saint Mary's College of California	Western Oregon University	
Coppin State University	San Diego State University	Wilberforce University	
Davidson College	San Francisco State University	Wiley College	
Dillard University	San Jose State University		