

# LAS LOMAS HIGH SCHOOL

A National Gold Ribbon School Acalanes Union High School District

### **Profile 2022-23**

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## SCHOOL CHARACTERISTICS

Las Lomas, one of four schools in the Acalanes Union High School District, is a 4-year comprehensive high school with an enrollment of approximately 1590 students including 394 seniors. Students attend up to 7 classes for two 18-week semesters on a modified block schedule. The student body reflects the community's diverse socioeconomic and educational levels. The racial makeup of our student population is 67% Caucasian, 13% Asian, 5% Filipino, 4% American Indian or Alaskan Native, 3% Asian Indian, 4% African American, 3% Other or Pacific Islander. Additionally, 17% of our students identify as Hispanic. Approximately 4% of our students are enrolled in English language development classes. Approximately 10% of our students participate in the free/reduced lunch program. Las Lomas was named a 2015 Gold Ribbon School, by the State of California. In the 2017 WASC review Las Lomas received a six-year accreditation with a mid-cycle one day review. Las Lomas is currently in a Self-Study WASC cycle and will receive updated accreditation in Spring 2023.

## **COMMUNITY CHARACTERISTICS**

Las Lomas is located in Walnut Creek, a suburban community of 69,825 located in the San Francisco Bay Area. Parents are primarily employed in Walnut Creek, San Ramon, Oakland or San Francisco. Demonstrating the commitment to Las Lomas in the current challenging economic environment, the Walnut Creek Education Foundation was formed to raise funds to supplement our strong academic programs. Additional parent groups and foundations contribute to an environment for academic success.

## FACULTY AND STAFF

The Las Lomas teaching staff is comprised of 74.7 full-time equivalent (FTE) highly qualified faculty members, in addition to 3.6 administrators, 4.8 counselors, a psychologist, wellness coordinator, librarian, college/career advisor and nurse. The counseling caseload is approximately 330:1.

# STUDENT PROGRAMS

- Vocational training classes are offered through the Regional Occupational Program (ROP).
- Extracurricular programs, which offer opportunities to develop students' unique interests and leadership skills, include student government, California Scholarship Federation, peer tutoring, plus a wide variety of clubs and activities.
- Competitive Speech & Debate, Model UN, and Mock Trial teams.
- Award winning visual and performing arts programs.
- Instrumental Music Department performing groups hold a reputation for musical excellence, consistently receiving the highest accolades at music festivals. Students are well represented in regional and California all-state honor bands.

### **COVID-19 IMPACT**

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the resulting state and county shelter-in-place orders, all AUHSD schools transitioned

from classroom instruction to distance learning for the duration of the fourth quarter of the 2019-2020 school year. As a result of this instructional change, the traditionally used grading policy was altered for the Spring Semester of the 2019-2020 school year. For the 2019-2020 Spring Semester only, all AUHSD schools utilized a Credit/No Mark grade reporting system for all students. The marks received during the 2019-2020 Spring Semester do not affect the student's GPA.

For the 2020-2021 school year, Letter grades were reintroduced, however after the passage of CA-AB104, students were given the opportunity to change their Letter grades to Pass/No-Pass as long as doing so would not negatively impact their GPA. Pass indicated a grade of D- or better, No-Pass indicated an F.

## **GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

Students must earn at least 240 course credits. Five units of credit per semester are granted in all courses when a passing grade is earned. Course requirements include:

English	4 years
Mathematics (incl. 1-year past Algebra 1)	3 years
Biological Science	1 year
Physical Science	1 year
World History	1 year
U.S. History	1 year
U.S. Government/Economics	1 year
Physical Education	2 years
Human & Social Development	.5 year
World Language or Career/Technology	2 years
Visual/Performing Arts	1 year

## GRADING

Letter grades are assigned a numerical value on a 4.0 scale (D is a passing grade). The cumulative GPA is the average of all courses since the beginning of the ninth grade. College prep courses which meet the University of California A-G requirements are indicated on the transcript with either a "P" for college prep, "H" for honors, or "A" for advanced placement. Non-college prep courses are marked with either an "E" for elective, "N" for non-college prep, or "M" indicating the curriculum was modified. Pluses and minuses will appear on student transcripts but will not be used in computing grade point averages. Final transcripts reflect weighted and unweighted averages. Las Lomas does not report class rank by order of the school board and due to the concern with the inequities which occur when reporting specific rank in a high achieving student body.

#### ATHLETICS

Las Lomas is a member of the Diablo Athletic League, a 13-school league that divides itself into two divisions based upon competitive equity by sport. The DAL is under the guidance of the North Coast Section (NCS) of the California Interscholastic Federation, Las Lomas supports 25 varsity teams and 30 JV or Frosh teams. 2021-22 athletic achievements::

- NCS Participation: Boys & Girls Cross Country, Football, Boys & Girls Water Polo, Swimming, Girls Basketball, Boys & Girls Soccer, Wrestling, Girls Volleyball
- CIF Individual Scholastic Award Recipients
- NCS Scholastic Team Recognitions

# STANDARDIZED TEST RESULTS

SAT Test - Mean Scores			
<u>Year</u>	#Tested	Reading & Writing	<u>Math</u>
2021	165	613	616
2020	214	618	625
2019	223	612	620

# ACT - Average Scores

<u>Year</u>	#Tested	<u>English</u>	<u>Math</u>	Reading	<u>Science</u>	Composite
2021	43	26.6	26.0	27.9	26.8	26.9
2019	128	26.0	25.5	26.0	25.1	25.8
2018	170	26.4	25.5	26.4	24.9	25.9

## Advanced Placement (May 2022)

497 students took 1044 tests 79% scored 3+

# National Merit Scholarship Program

Class	<b>Finalists</b>	<u>Semifinalists</u>	<u>Commended</u>
2021	N/A	1	10
2020	N/A	4	11
2019	1	6	13

## SENIOR CLASS PROFILE MEAN SENIOR CLASS GPA:

3.28 (Unweighted); 3.43 (Weighted) Highest GPA: 4.0 (Unweighted); 4.54 (Weighted)

A senior project in English 4 is an additional requirement.

## HONORS & ADVANCED PLACEMENT

Courses are open to all students. Materials and experiences are differentiated in content and quality from regular college prep classes. The focus of the program is on self-sustained and self-directed learning. The following courses are offered in 202-23.

202-25:		
Science	<u>English</u>	Social Studies
AP Biology	English 3 AP	AP Euro History
AP Chemistry	(Lang)	AP US History
AP Physics 1	English 4 AP (Lit)	AP Us Government
AP Physics 2		AP Macroeconomics
AP Envir. Science	Visual/Performing	AP Human Geo.
AP Computer	Arts	AP Psychology
Science Principles	Advanced Art	
	Honors	
<b>Mathematics</b>	World Language	
Alg 2/Pre-Calc	Honors French 4	
Honors	Honors Spanish 4	
Pre-Calc Honors	Honors Japanese 4	
AP Calculus AB	Honors Mandarin 4	

AP Spanish Lang

AP French Lang

AP Calculus BC

**AP Statistics** 

AP Computer Science

# **COLLEGE ENROLLMENT & COLLEGE PLACEMENT**

Typically, over 90% of our graduates go on to college. Of the 402 2022 graduates 10% indicated they are attending a 2-year community college and 37% indicated that they are attending a 4-year college. The remaining students either did not indicate their plans or are attending trade programs, taking a gap year or have enlisted in the military. Students from the classes 2014-2022

have enrolled in the	follow
Academy of Art University	Harva
University of Alabama	Harve
Arizona State University	Hastin
University of Arizona	Hoba
Auburn University	Colleg
Azusa Pacific University	Howa
Belmont University	Unive
Baylor University	Indiar
Biolab University	Ithaca
Boise State University	Johns
Boston College	Lewis
Boston University	Linfie Massa
Bowling Green State	Pharn
University	Science
Brigham Young University	Londo
University of British	Unive
Columbia	Loyol
Brown University	Unive
Brunel University London California Baptist	Loyol
University	MIT
California Institute of the	Unive
Arts	Miam
California Lutheran	Unive
University	Unive
California State	Unive
Universities	Unive
University of California	Unive
Carnegie Mellon University	Monta
Case Western Reserve University	Morel Moun
Chapman University	Mour
Clark Atlanta University	Muhle
Clarkson University	Unive
University of Colorado,	Unive
Boulder	New '
Colorado School of Mines	Univ.
Colorado State University	Ashev
Cooper Union	Univ.
Cornell University	Wilmi
University of Denver	Unive
DePaul University	North
Drexel University	North
University of	Oberl
Edinburgh Emerson	Occid The C
College	
Evergreen College	Orego
George Mason University	Unive Pace I
George Washington	Pacific
George Washington University	
Gettysburg College	Unive
Gonzaga University	Unive
Grand Canyon University	Pomo Pratt
Grinnell College	Prince
University of	Unive
Hawaii-Manoa	Unive

ollowing colleges and	universities.
Harvard University	Purdue University
Harvey Mudd College	Reed College
Hastings College	Rhodes College
Hobart & William Smith	University of Richmond
College	Rutgers University
Howard University	St. John's College
University of Idaho	Saint Mary's College of
Indiana University-Purdue	CA
Ithaca College	University of San Diego
Johns Hopkins University	University of San
Lewis and Clark College	Francisco
Linfield College	San Francisco Art
Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health	Institute
Sciences	Santa Clara University
London Metropolitan	Savannah College of Art
University	& Design Scripps College
Loyola Marymount	Seattle University
University	Seton Hall University
Loyola University, Chicago	Smith College
MIT	_
University of Miami	Sophia University (Japan) Univ. of Southern
Miami University Ohio	California
University of Michigan	Univ. of South Carolina,
University of Minnesota	Aiken
University of Mississippi	Southern Methodist
University of Missouri	University
University of Montana	Southern Oregon
Montana State University	University
Morehouse College	Stanford University
Mount Holyoke College	Swarthmore College
Mount St. Mary's College	Temple University
Muhlenberg College	University of Tennessee
University of Nevada-Reno	Texas A&M
University of New Mexico	Texas Christian University
New York University	Trinity College (Dublin,
Univ. of N. Carolina,	Ireland)
Asheville	Tufts University
Univ. of N. Carolina, Wilmington	US Air Force Academy
University of North Dakota	University of Utah
Northern Arizona University	University of Virginia
Northwest University	Washington State
Oberlin College	University
Occidental College	University of Washington
The Ohio State University	Washington University, St.
Oregon State University	Louis
University of Oregon	Wellesley College
Pace University	University of Western
Pacific University	Ontario
University of the Pacific	Westmont College
University of Pittsburgh	Western Washington
Pomona College	University Willemette University
Pratt Institute	William Jessup University
Princeton University	William Jessup University University of Wisconsin
University of Portland	York St. John University
University of Puget Sound	(Eng.)
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