



# Sunset High School

## 2021-2022 School Profile

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"A challenging educational community promoting life-long learning, social responsibility and respect for diversity."

### SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY

Sunset High School is a comprehensive public high school with approximately 2100 students, grades 9-12. Located in a suburban area of Portland, Oregon, Sunset is accredited by AdvancED and the Oregon State Department of Education. The socio-economic level is diverse, with most parents having a college education. However, our students range from being homeless to upper class. 43% of our students are minority. 19% of our students qualify for free or reduced lunch. About 30% of our students qualify as talented and gifted. 88% of our faculty holds masters or doctorate degrees.

Starting in fall 2006, classes meet on an A/B block schedule. There are seven class periods and each class meets two or three times on alternating weeks for 90 minutes. The school year is divided into two semesters of 18 weeks each. Grades are updated on line, but only final semester grades are recorded on the student's transcript. Average class size in the 5 major core subject areas is about 42 with an average teacher load of 175 students in those areas.

**Due to the Covid epidemic, the second semester of the 2019-20 school year, students finished online and all grades for the State of Oregon were Pass/Incomplete. For the 2020-21 school year we moved to a 4x4 schedule, continuing online until the fourth quarter. Students had the option to attend full days twice a week or stay on line. Year-long classes were completed in a semester, while semester-long courses were completed in a quarter. Classes were 70 minutes long. Students took up to 4 classes a quarter. Grades were posted at the end of each quarter. For the 2021-22 school year, we are returning to our full in-person, A/B block schedule.**

### ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Sunset High School is known as a "school of excellence." It is noted for its academic climate, offering a comprehensive array of advanced classes in all subject areas as well as a variety of dual credit courses in numerous academic areas. In the 2013-2014 school year, Sunset began offering an Honors Diploma in addition to our International Baccalaureate and Standard diplomas. Our first Honors Diploma graduating class was the class of 2015 with 89 Honor Diplomas granted. For the class of 2021 there were 152 Honor Diplomas granted.

Sunset High School has been an International Baccalaureate (IB) World School since 2003. The IB program offers a rigorous academic curriculum for motivated, ambitious

students. Students may choose to complete the full IB Diploma by taking IB courses and completing exams across six subject areas (including a second language), completing the Theory of Knowledge class, writing a 4,000 word Extended Essay, and two years' engagement in Creativity, Activity & Service (CAS) experiential learning. Students may also choose to take exams in individual subjects as IB Certificate candidates. For the 2020-21 school year we had 26 full Senior Diploma Candidates. All Candidates earned the I.B. Diploma. Sunset's first IB class had nine diploma candidates of which eight earned their IB diploma.

### INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE COURSES

IB courses include: IB Art and Design SL, IB Art and Design HL I/II, IB Biology HL I/II, IB Business and Management HL I, IB Chemistry SL, IB Chemistry HL I/II, IB Economics SL, IB English SL I/II, IB English HL I/II, IB Film Literature HL I/II, IB French SL, IB History SL, IB History HL I/II, IB Japanese SL, IB Math SL I/II, IB Math HL I/II, IB Math Studies SL I/II, IB Music SL, IB Physics SL, IB Physics HL I/II, IB Psychology SL, IB Social Anthropology SL, IB Spanish SL, IB Sports Exercise and Health Science SL, IB Theater SL, and IB Theory of Knowledge.

### GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Graduation requirements include credits in the following areas: 4 Language Arts, 3 Math, 3 Social Science, 3 Lab Sciences, 1 Health, 1 PE, 3 Applied Arts, Fine Arts, World Language or Business Education, .5 Career Education, and 5.5 Electives. A half credit (.5) is granted for satisfactory completion of a subject over a semester, with a total of 24 credits needed to graduate. Additionally, students must pass State of Oregon exams in reading, writing and math. They must also complete a senior project.

### GRADING SYSTEM

A	4.0 grade points
B	3.0 grade points
C	2.0 grade points
D	1.0 grade point
F	0.0 grade point
W/F	0.0 grade point
H	after a grade designates an Honors course

Sunset High School lists both an unweighted cumulative GPA and weighted cumulative GPA on student transcripts. International Baccalaureate, and dual credit courses (which are

transferable to 4-year colleges or universities and are either taught at the high school or are part of a sequence which is not available within the home high school) will be weighted. Weighted courses are designated with an “I,” “A,” “W,” or “D” in front of the title of the class. Grades of A, B, and C earned in weighted classes will earn and extra grade point. Starting the 2016-2017 school year, the Beaverton School District eliminated class rank and percentile rank on the student’s transcript. The student with the highest weighted GPA at the end of the 8<sup>th</sup> semester is our Valedictorian.

**TESTING INFORMATION**

**I.B. Program:** In the 2020-21 school year, 233 students registered for 520 exams in a wide variety of IB subject areas. Of the 26 Full IB Diploma Candidates, all 26 earned the Diploma, with an average of 34 points. The highest Diploma points awarded was 44. The average exam score for all test takers was 5.28. The average exam score for Diploma Candidates was 5.43. 175 students earned scores of 6 or 7 on their IB Exams.

**A.P. Program:** Starting in 2019-20 we no longer offer A.P. courses

**Average SAT Scores for the Class of 2019:**

	Total	EBRW	Math
District average:	1228	611	617
Oregon average:	1114	562	550
Sunset High School:	Not available yet		

**Average ACT Scores for the Class of 2019:**

National Composite	21
State Composite	21.3
Sunset High School Composite	23.7*

\* Of the graduating class of 2019 434 students took the ACT with writing their junior year.

**\*\* Due to the Covid Epidemic, it is not possible to provide an accurate representation of scores for the ACT or SAT exams for the class of 2020 or 2021.**

**NATIONAL MERIT RECOGNITION**

**In the class of 2022, Sunset has 2 commended students and 16 National Merit Semi-Finalists. For the class of 2021 Sunset had 18 commended students and 21 students recognized as National Merit Semi-Finalists.**

**SUNSET HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2021 UNIVERSITY MATRICULATION**

Of our 461 graduating seniors, 62% went to a four-year institution and 18% went to a two-year institution. These numbers are based on final transcript requests and an end of the year survey. Sunset’s 2021 graduates matriculated to the following four-year colleges and universities:

Arizona State University	New Mexico State University	University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
Baldwin Wallace University	New York University	University of Minnesota
Baylor University	Northeastern University	University of Mississippi
Biola University	Northwestern University	University of Montana
Boise State University	Ohio State University	University of Nebraska
Brigham Young University	Oregon Institute of Technology	University of New Hampshire
Brigham Young University-Hawaii	Oregon State University	University of Oregon and Clarks Honor College
Butler University	Pacific University	University of Pennsylvania
California Polytechnic State University	Penn State University	University of Portland
Case Western University	Portland State University	University of Redlands
Chapman University	Purdue University	University of San Diego
Colorado School of the Mines	Reed College	University of Southern California
Colorado State University	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	University of Texas at Austin
Columbia College-Chicago	San Diego State University	University of Utah
Columbia University	Santa Clara University	University of Washington
Cornell University	Seattle Pacific University	University of Wisconsin-Madison
DePaul University	Seattle University	Vanderbilt University
Drew University	Sewanee University of the South	Washington State University
Fordham University	Southern Methodist university	Western Oregon University
George Fox University	Southern Oregon University-Honors College	Whitman College
George Washington University	Syracuse University	Whitworth University
Georgia Military College	United States Naval Academy	Yale University
Gonzaga University	University of Alberta	
Grand Canyon University	University of Arizona	
Grinnell College	University of British Columbia	
Hamline University	University of California Berkeley	
Hartwick College	University of California Irvine	
Indiana University	University of California Los Angeles	
Juilliard School	University of California San Diego	
Kyoto University Advanced Science	University of California Santa Barbara	
Lawrence University	University of California Santa Cruz	
Linfield College	University of Colorado-Boulder	
Loyola Marymount University	University of Denver	
Millikin University	University of Georgia	
Montana State University	University of Hawaii Manoa	
Moody Bible Institute	University of Idaho	