



School Profile 2022-2023

CEEB Code: 052375

Vision

We are committed to providing a school environment that values ethical and emotional development as equally important to intellectual development.

Mission

Flintridge Preparatory School seeks to nurture in its students the knowledge, critical skills, community values, and creativity essential for an engaged, balanced, and responsible life.

Honor Code

My responsibility as a student, teacher, or parent in the Flintridge Prep community is to be honest, kind, generous, and respectful.

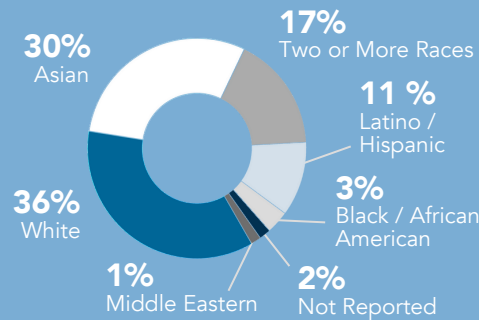
FAST FACTS

Coed • Founded in 1933 • Also known as Flintridge Prep or Prep
Located in La Cañada Flintridge, CA • 20 minutes from downtown Los Angeles • 5 minutes from Pasadena

Students & Faculty

- 530** Students Grades 7-12
- 425** Students Grades 9-12
- 108** The Class of 2023
- 8:1** Student - Teacher Ratio
- 14** Average Class Size (9th-12th)
- 74** Faculty Members

Student Race & Ethnicity



Financial Aid

- We do not award merit-based assistance
- 26%** of students received need-based financial assistance
- 56%** of tuition covered by average award

Standardized Testing

- Middle range for 2020-2022
- ACT** 30-35 **SAT** 1340-1510

SIGNATURE PROGRAMS

Leadership

Leadership skills are at the foundation of Prep's curricular initiatives. Students of all grades are encouraged to collaborate, articulate their perspectives, and explore core leadership values including passion, commitment, and problem solving. Our goal is to develop students who are globally aware, independent, and compassionate leaders— people driven to make a difference in the world.

STEAM

The STEAM program engages students in iterative design, student-driven discovery, and cross-curricular innovation by providing the tools to tinker and explore, empowering students to forge creative solutions to real-world problems through an integration of science, technology, engineering, art, and math.

Global Studies

Through interdisciplinary curriculum, local community outreach, and national and international projects, the Global Studies program enables students to explore and connect to the greater global society, develop sensitivity to commonalities and differences among and within cultures, and understand how global forces influence our daily lives.

Independent Research

Students participate in a variety of capstone research activities, including independent study projects. In Biology, experimentation with live animals begins in 9th grade through the school's Jelly Lab. Interested students continue with independent research, through which they seek answers to more complex questions and practice advanced analytical techniques.

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ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Founded on the principle that curriculum should be both meaningful and challenging, our high school program prepares students for an exciting college experience and for the joys of an engaged, well-lived life of impact. In addition to offering opportunities to make connections across curricula, do hands-on work, and approach essential questions as global citizens, our academic program nurtures independent thinking, leadership, and problem solving.

Among other capstone opportunities in the senior year, in the second semester of senior year, students take Identity, a required project-based English course that emphasizes creativity, collaboration, and innovation. Students design their capstone projects after identifying, researching and refining what they see as problems in need of compassionate advocacy, impact, and reform, aiming to address real-world problems with meaningful and realistic solutions.

AP & Honors Curriculum

Prep offers 16 AP courses and 24 honors courses. Typically, all students in AP courses are required to take the AP exam. Students may take no more than 5 honors and AP academic courses in 11th and 12th grade.

Grading

Flintridge Prep encourages students to take full advantage of the curriculum to thoughtfully challenge themselves.

- We have a semester system, with four grading periods per year.
- A single grade is recorded at the end of each course.
- GPAs are based on all courses taken only at Prep.
- Flintridge Prep students are not ranked.
- Honors courses receive +0.5, while AP courses and Great Books Honors each receive +1.0.
- Dean's List (3.90 and above) and Honor Roll (3.60-3.89) are evaluated and noted at the end of each year.

Graduation Requirements

A yearlong course is one credit and students must be enrolled in five credits each year. Students must complete the following prerequisites to graduate, and most exceed the minimum requirements.

- English: 4 years
- History: 3 years, including 2 unit credits of World History and 1 unit credit of U.S. History
- Mathematics: Successful completion through Algebra 2
- Science: 3 years, including Biology & Chemistry through 11th grade
- World Languages: Successful completion through Level 3 of a single language
- Visual and Performing Arts: 2 years
- Physical Education: Satisfactory completion required through 10th grade, or a member of a Prep athletics team.
- Identity: Required 0.5 credit course taken during senior year

ACCREDITATION & AFFILIATIONS

Western Association of Schools & Colleges • California Association of Independent Schools • National Association of Independent Schools
College Entrance Examination Board • National Association for College Admission Counseling • Western Association for College Admission Counseling
California Interscholastic Federation • Association of College Counselors in Independent Schools • PartnersCampus chapter, Partners of the Americas

Course Offerings

ENGLISH

English 1
English 2: American Literature
AP English Literature
English 4:
Identity (H)* required senior course
City in Literature (H)*
Contemporary Fiction (H)*
Ghost Stories in Film
& Literature (H)*
Imitation of Genius (H)*
Joan Didion (H)*
Literature of Dissent (H)*
Science Fiction (H)*
Shakespeare in Performance (H)*

WORLD LANGUAGES

French 1, 2, 3, 4**
AP French Language & Culture
Latin 1, 2, 3, 4**
Mandarin 1, 2, 3, 4
Spanish 1, 2, 3, 4**
AP Spanish Language & Culture
AP Spanish Literature & Culture

MATHEMATICS

Algebra 1
Geometry
Algebra 2 with Trigonometry Statistics
AP Statistics
Precalculus & Precalculus (H)
Calculus
AP Calculus AB
AP Calculus BC
Multivariable Calculus (H)
Introduction to Programming (H)*
Topics in Computer Science (H)*

HISTORY

World History 1
World History 2
Advanced Topics in World History (H)
United States History
AP United States History

Senior options:

AP Art History
Economics (H)*
Great Books Seminar (H)*
Investments*
International Relations (H)*
Border Politics (H)*
Psychology*
AP United States Government
& Politics

SCIENCE

Biology 9 / Lab
Physics 10 / Lab
AP Biology / Lab
Chemistry / Lab**

Senior options:

Anatomy & Physiology (H)
Environmental Science (H)
Physics/Lab (H)
AP Physics C: Mechanics/Lab

VISUAL ARTS

Ceramics & Advanced Ceramics
Drawing and Painting &
Advanced Drawing & Painting
Photography & Advanced
Photography
Video Art
AP Studio Art: 2D Design
AP Studio Art: Drawing

PERFORMING ARTS

Chorus & Advanced Chorus
Dance Company
Dance & Advanced Dance
Drama & Advanced Drama
Instrumental Music & Advanced
Instrumental Music
Jazz Ensemble
AP Music Theory

Physical Education

All students, grades 9–10

* 1-semester course

**some sections designated as Honors

COVID-19 Statement

Although online for most of the 2020-21 school year, the core of the Prep academic experience remained intact. Students attended all classes fully synchronously, including visual and performing arts and P.E. Flintridge Prep retained its letter grading system and assessments. For the last six weeks of the 2021 school year, the school transitioned to hybrid learning. In fall 2021, the school returned to full, in-person learning.