

STERNE SCHOOL

A San Francisco Independent Co-Ed College Preparatory High School

terne's High School program empowers students to take charge of their own academic journeys, first by helping them understand how they learn best, then by building the confidence to take on new challenges. Sterne creates the support students need by naturally folding it into the school day.

Our A-G college preparatory curriculum is both academically challenging and flexible, led by dedicated, creative, and highly-trained teachers who encourage autonomy, leadership, and critical thinking. Sterne teachers act as mentors, taking the time to build trusting relationships with every student. They understand that even the most independent student can still benefit from extra support.

College counseling is a critical part of our High School experience starting in 9th grade. We guide students and families through a best-fit college search that emphasizes self-discovery and self-advocacy. Students gain an understanding of their learning style and their strengths, ensuring their readiness and success for college and beyond.



High School at a Glance



The teachers are absolutely incredible. They take the time to get to know each student and give them personalized attention. Bobby is flourishing.

—Laurie, parent of Bobby

Enrichment

- Mentorship and leadership training through Eye to Eye National
- A wide range of elective offerings including design and engineering, speech, psychology, and photography
- Robust student life including arts, athletics, affinity groups, clubs, student government, service learning, Spirit Weeks, dances, and more
- Experiential Education, including local, national, and international educational trips and activities

Academics

- Class size of 10-15 students
- 1:1 Chromebooks that include a suite of assistive technology
- Daily Office Hours that mirror a college model, and Homework Hall that provides dedicated time with teachers for homework and project management
- Senior projects based on students'
 passions, focusing on internships,
 teaching assistant opportunities, and
 volunteering students present
 their projects to faculty and peers at
 year-end



A Community of Learners, Strivers, Creators, and Competitors





Athletics

Sterne has strong Athletics offerings — from P.E. to our after-school sports teams. Sterne belongs to multiple athletic leagues with competitive teams in basketball, volleyball, and handball.

We also have numerous non-competitive club sports such as table tennis, running, yoga, biking, futsal, flag football, and dodgeball.

We are so pleased with our decision to have our son continue on to high school at Sterne. We looked at some other high schools, just to be sure that neither he nor we felt that he was missing out. What we saw convinced us that Sterne was going to provide our guy with challenging academics delivered in an atmosphere of understanding and support. For our son, Sterne continues to be the whole package.

—Amy and Peter, parents of Bo

Visual and Performing Arts

The Arts are a vital part of our curriculum. Creative expression is a powerful teaching and learning tool, and many of our students find the arts to be an important way to express their diverse voices. High School art offerings include Studio and Digital Art, Film, Drama, Music, and Photography. Each year, we celebrate our students' work with special showcases, including the Winter Arts Festival, Spring Artists and Makers Exhibition, and twice-yearly Film Showcase. From the Cowell to the Roxy theaters, we take advantage of our city and its vibrant art scene. These performances bring the entire Sterne community together to celebrate the arts in all its forms.





Community and Leadership

At Sterne, there are an abundance of traditions and leadership opportunities for students. Our rich complement of clubs, Spirit Week activities, student government, and peer mentorship is boosted by outside partnerships with organizations such as Eye to Eye National and Pathways to Medicine. Sterne provides students with the space to explore their interests, assume leadership roles, and find what they love. Taking on leadership roles and collaborating with both students and teachers reinforces our guiding principle: everything is within reach at Sterne School.

The nurturing environment at Sterne has given our children's uniquenesses a voice and brought them both to new heights with self-confidence and genuine happiness.

—Angelica & Ramses, parents of Soleil and Eros

Experiential Learning

Located in downtown San Francisco, where North Beach, Chinatown, and the Financial District meet, Sterne's learning extends far beyond the walls of a classroom. Every class uses the city in ways that enhance, support, and extend their learning.

From Civil Rights journeys in the American South to African safaris and Spanish language immersion trips, all High School students have the opportunity to travel locally, nationally, and internationally as part of our Experiential Education program. International trips include Mexico, Costa Rica, Spain, South Africa, Brazil, Greece, and Iceland.



Sterne's mission is to build on the foundation of individual strengths to discover and nurture each student's version of greatness.

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We start with strengths.

We bring joy to learning

We learn from everyone's uniqueness.

We honor the educator.

We never give up.

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Sterne School admits students of any race, color, and national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin, or sex in the administration of its educational and employment policies, admissions policies, financial aid programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.

Accreditation: WASC and CAIS Membership: NAIS Partnership: UCSF Dyslexia Center

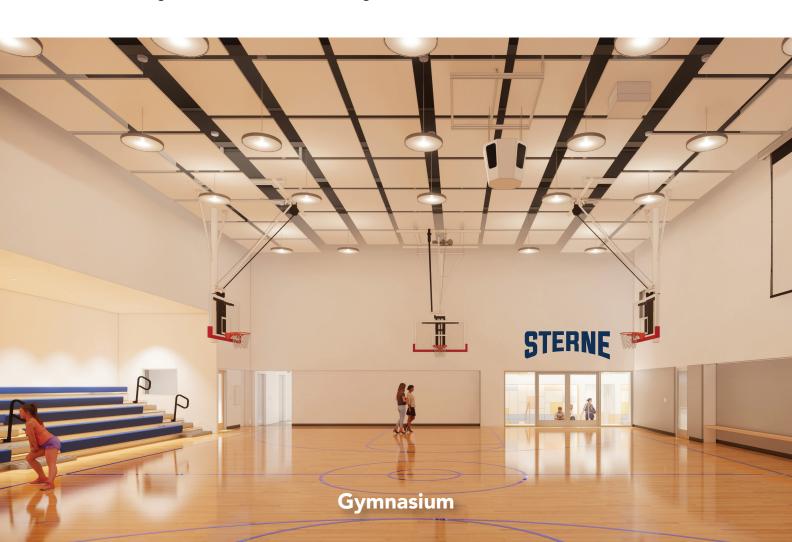
STERNE SCHOOL Our Campus is Expanding!

When we moved our school to 838 Kearny Street in 2017, we immediately embarked on a quest to make this building our forever home.

This work began with classroom renovations to accommodate our small class sizes. The state-of-the-art Gina and Stuart Peterson Art & Science Wing was added in 2018, ensuring

we could offer the high-quality studio art and lab science classes that are a cornerstone of our program.

In February 2023, we will have completed construction on our Performing Arts and Athletic Center, which features a gymnasium, black box theater and drama classroom, music classroom with recording and practice spaces, digital film studio, and welcome center.





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