



Leland High School

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2023-2024 School Profile

Home of the Chargers

OUR HISTORY

Established in 1967, Leland is a comprehensive, 4-year, suburban public school offering a well-rounded and diverse curriculum to students in San Jose. Initially built for six hundred students, Leland has grown into a campus serving 1,530 students. Besides academic rigor, we also seek to cultivate intellectual vitality, creative ambition, and fearless curiosity by encouraging students to think critically and challenge themselves to be change leaders.

OUR MISSION, VISION, AND VALUES

Leland High School is part of San José Unified, an innovative urban school district that is reinventing the education system by bringing together teachers and staff with parents and students, inspiring each to discover their own greatness. Leland is preparing today's students to be the thinkers, leaders, and creators of tomorrow. Our mission is to unite as one community; we elevate opportunities for all. At Leland High School, we value critical thinking, creativity, college readiness, and social and academic responsibility.

SCHOOL RECOGNITION

U.S. News Best High School-Ranking 96th in California
A National Blue Ribbon Distinguished School
6 Year Western Association of Schools and Colleges Accreditation



GRADING POLICY (2020-2021)

San Jose Unified and most districts in Santa Clara County shifted to a credit/no-credit (+/-) grading system due to COVID-19 school closures. This policy was in effect for the 2020 spring and summer school sessions.

Fall 2020 began with distance learning, and students earned letter grades for A-G coursework. As needed, the district provided technology and Wi-Fi access to students.

In August 2021, in compliance with CA law AB 104, students could request that any grade from the 2020-2021 academic year be changed to credit/no credit.

COURSE AND GRADING POLICIES

Course Requirements: 9th/10th (6 courses), 11th (5 courses), 12th (4 courses permitted if in good academic standing)

Physical Education: All 9th-grade students must take Physical Education, though the 2-year requirement can be fulfilled with one year of a PE 1 course and two seasons of an on-campus sport.

Acceleration Policy: To accelerate, students can take counselor-approved A-G science or math courses during the summer. All science courses must be offered entirely in person, with a lab. Outside math or science courses may be transcribed if they meet the parameters for acceleration. With Counselor approval, students may take a foreign language course if the class was requested but unavailable on campus or a language is not offered on-site. Outside courses that exceed our graduation requirements are not transcribed.

Advanced Course Policy: Students must have special administrative approval to take more than three advanced courses per year (accelerated, honors, AP, or on-campus college-level classes). This approval stipulates that students cannot drop advanced coursework. AP United States History is the only class where students can move to Accelerated US History after 6 weeks of instruction.

Course Requests: Students can only take one core subject per year. 11th and 12th-grade students are given priority for AP Computer Science, Capstone, Psychology/Sociology, SVCTE, AP Art, and teaching assistant positions. 9th and 10th-grade students are prioritized for Introduction to Computer Science. Students may request 7 classes, but only 6 are guaranteed.

Course Pre/Co-Requisites:

AP Biology and AP Environmental Science prerequisite of Biology and Chemistry (any level)
AP Chemistry prerequisite of Chemistry (any level)
Honors Biology/Chemistry and Physics co-requisite of Algebra II/Acc Algebra II or higher
Honors Physics co-requisite of Precalculus or higher
AP Physics 1 co-requisite of AP Calculus or higher and AP Physics 2 prerequisite of AP Physics 1
AP Research prerequisite of AP Research
AP Calculus BC prerequisite of AP Calculus AB or Precalculus Honors (with a B or higher)
Multivariable Calculus prerequisite of AP Calculus BC and AP exam or math 72 taken at SJCC

Course Retakes: Leland offers numerous credit recovery and A-G eligibility retake options, including our free online Edgenuity program and summer school. Depending on availability, students earning a D or F may be enrolled in 1-2 summer school or online courses. Course retake opportunities are offered at the general college preparation level only. A student may be enrolled in our online program during the school year.

RANK

Leland does not rank or report decile

LELAND HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS

English	40 credits/4 years
History/Social Studies	30 credits/3 years
Mathematics	30 credits/3 years
Lab Science	30 credits/3 years
World Language	20 credits/2 years
Visual/Performing Arts	20 credits/2 years
Physical Education	20 credits/2 years
Elective	30 credits/3 years

Total Credits Required: 220

Total Courses Required: 22

ALGEBRA CERTIFICATE

The Algebra certificate is earned by completing an Algebra I, Algebra II, or Accelerated Algebra II course

COMMUNITY SERVICE REQUIREMENT

Modified due to Public Health Restrictions

Class of 2024: 10 hours required

Class of 2025: 20 hours required

Class of 2026: 30 hours required

Class of 2027 onward: 40 hours required



TRANSCRIPT

GRADING SCALE

4.0 unweighted GPA (A=4, B=3, C=2, D=1, F=0)

CREDITS

5 credits per semester/10 credits per year

TRANSCRIPTED GPA

SJUSD middle school math or Spanish classes may be included in the GPA if taken at the high school level. Out-of-district high school-level courses taken in middle school are self-reported. Courses retaken during summer school or through our online program, Edgenuity, are listed on the transcript and averaged into the final GPA.

9th-11th grade unweighted GPA

10th-11th grade unweighted A-G GPA

10th-11th grade unweighted A-G GPA with 9th grade World History

387 STUDENTS IN THE CLASS OF 2024

STUDENT STATISTICS

>75 school clubs

34 or fewer students per class

9.5% of students qualify for free/reduced lunch

4.3% of students are first-generation college

2.3% of students are English Language Learners

7.8% of students qualify for special education

3 students received National Recognition from the College Board for their GPA and academic performance, resulting in three awards (National African American Recognition, National Hispanic Recognition, and National Indigenous Award)

CLASS OF 2022 POST-SECONDARY PLANS

90% of students planned to enroll at a college or university, with 71% of respondents attending a 4-year and 19% planning to attend a 2-year school. 9% of respondents planned to enter the military, workforce, or career-technical training or were undecided about their post-secondary goals.

CLASS OF 2023

227 Golden State Seal Merit Diploma winners

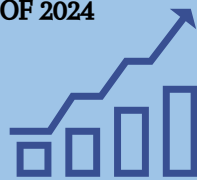
1 student named a 2023 U.S. Presidential Scholar

240 AP Scholars, including AP Scholars with Distinction, Honors, and Regular AP Scholars

35 students with a 4.0 unweighted GPA

64 students received the Seal of Bilingualism

15 AP Capstone Diploma recipients with an average score of 3.95



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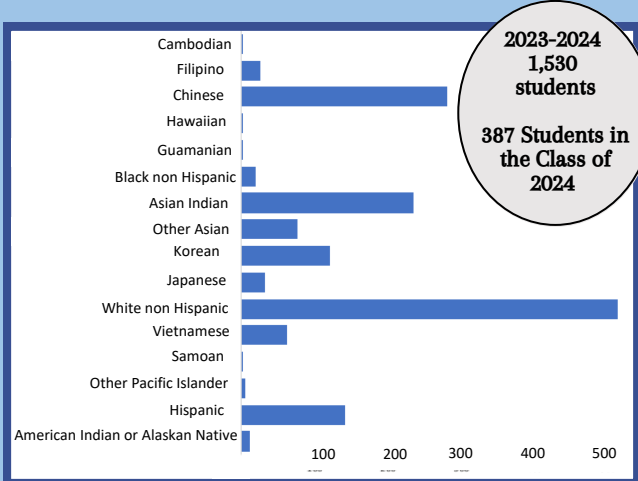
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STUDENT DEMOGRAPHICS

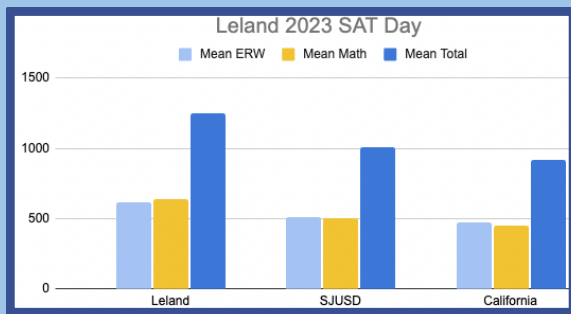


2023 AP DATA

AP Exam	Average Score
US History	3.6
Statistics	4.2
Spanish Language	4.3
Biology	4.1
Calculus AB	4.1
Calculus BC	4.7
Chemistry	4.6
Chinese Language	4.4
Computer Science A	3.4
Computer Science Principles	3.3
English Language & Composition	3.8
English Literature	3.8
Environmental Science	3.6
European History	3.6
French Language	3.6
Physics 1	3.1
Physics 2	3.1
Research	3.9
Seminar	3.9
US Government	2.6
Macro Economics	3.2
2D Art Design	3.6

Students in AP courses are automatically enrolled in AP testing. Students can request to take an AP exam in a class they are not currently enrolled in. Leland has limited AP Chinese exams, so we employ a lottery system prioritizing upperclassmen.

SAT DATA



Through San Jose Unified School District's Equity Policy, Leland offers free PSAT, SAT, & AP exams for all our students. In March 2023, 300 students took the SAT.

SPECIALTY ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Project Lead the Way (PLTW)

These STEM courses offer students hands-on, project-based coursework that includes BioMedical Sciences, Introduction to Engineering Design, and Principles of Engineering.

EXTRACURRICULAR PROGRAM

Robotics

Leland's two top-notch robotics teams compete in the FIRST Tech Challenge and First Robotics Competition programs. FRC Team 604 Quixilver has consistently advanced to the Houston World Championships through robot performance and outstanding community outreach. FTC Team 8404 Quixilver, 604's sister team, has advanced to World's twice in recent years and, in 2019, won the control award for themselves at the international level.

Clubs

Leland has over 75 clubs. To begin a campus club, students must find an advisor and complete an application to register their group.

APPLICATION/AUDITION PROGRAMS



Silicon Valley Career Technical Education (SVCTE)

This free offsite program is available to a select few 11th and 12th-grade students who meet the admission parameters. Students have free transportation to and from the SVCTE campus. SVCTE has 25 hands-on programs offered in either the AM or PM. Nineteen of these programs are UC A-G approved.

On-Campus Community College Courses

Leland offers students several San Jose City College courses on campus and remotely. These free courses include Psychology, Sociology, Japanese, ASL, Multivariable Calculus, and Differential Equations. Seniors have priority for Psychology and Sociology enrollment.

Teacher Assistants - Peer Tutors

The course allows 11th and 12th-grade students to assist with classroom activities and mentor peers. This is a PASS/FAIL course for non-A-G credit.

Advanced Drama

This 7th-period course is offered either by semester or as a yearlong option. Students produce two productions yearly. Students can participate as either actors or crew members. The class is designed to develop acting skills, scene development, directorial skills, and technical theater skills. Participating students are required to sign a class contract.

Dramatic Interpretation (Speech and Debate)

Our team is an official member of the National Speech and Debate Association, the governing arm of forensics for secondary education. Through this organization, the team has consistently ranked among the best in the nation and is first in the nation this year and last. With more than 200 members and many coaches, an atmosphere of curiosity, collaboration, and teamwork fuels excitement and fosters the desire to learn and improve. This course is offered in the 6th and 7th periods, requiring a considerable after-school time commitment. No prerequisite is required for this course. In 2019, Leland had the nation's #1 Speech and Debate program, as ranked by the National Speech and Debate Association.

Yearbook

Our yearbook team dedicates themselves to documenting campus life. The National Scholarship Press Association has praised the Leland yearbook for its design and content.

Journalism

The Charger Account is a nationally-recognized, student-run newspaper. The newspaper reaches 3,200 students and community members monthly. The newspaper has been awarded Gold Medals from the Columbia Press Association, the All-American accolade by the National Press Association, and the first-place title by the Quill and Scroll every year since 1996.

ASB (Associate Student Body)

This leadership class runs the activities and events at Leland. Class commissioners, class officers, and ASB officers all contribute to uniting Leland High School and organizing over 30 events each year: Rallies, Dances, Talent Show, Mr. GQ, Career Week, Wellness Week, Spirit Weeks, and more! ASB is dedicated to planning, advertising, and hosting events that cater to individuals of all interest groups and acts as a liaison between the admin, clubs, teachers, and students. To earn full credit, students in the Leadership program must work at least 20 ASB-specific service hours in the first semester and 25 hours in the second semester.

Leland's Music Program

Leland offers three audition/application courses: Concert Band, Orchestra, and Wind Ensemble. No experience is required for students to participate in Choir or Beginning Band. Our skilled musicians host multiple yearly concerts and perform at Senior Awards and Graduation.



Denotes a program where students do not receive academic credits

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LELAND COURSE SELECTION

Mathematics

Algebra I
Geometry
Algebra II
Acc. Algebra II
Pre-Calculus
Honors Pre-Calculus*
AP Statistics*
AP Calculus AB*
AP Calculus BC*
AP Computer Science A*

Edgenuity

Algebra I
Geometry
Algebra II

San Jose City College- Mathematics

Multivariable Calculus*
Differential Equations*

SVCTE-Mathematics

Heating, Ventilation & Air
Conditioning
Construction Technology
Electrical Maintenance
Metals Technology

World Language (LOTE)

Spanish 1-2
Spanish 3-4
Spanish 5-6
Honors Spanish 5-6*
AP Spanish Language*
French 1-2
French 3-4
French 5-6
AP French Language*

San Jose City College- World Language

Sign Language SL 1A*
Sign Language SL 1B*
Japanese 1A*
Japanese 1B*
Japanese 2A*
Japanese 2B*

Edgenuity

Spanish I
Spanish II
Spanish III
French I
French II
French III

Science

Biology in the Dynamic Earth
Honors Biology in the Dynamic Earth*
AP Biology*
Chemistry in the Earth Systems
Honors Chemistry in the Earth Systems*
AP Chemistry*
Physics in the Universe
Honors Physics in the Universe*
AP Physics 1*
AP Physics 2*
AP Comp. Sci. Principles*
AP Environmental Science*
Zoology
Principles of Biomedical Science (PLTW)

SVCTE-Science

Forensic Sciences
Fire Sciences
Integrated Animal Sciences
Medical Sciences Health Careers
Nursing Careers
Mechatronic Engineering
Sports Medicine/Kinesiology

Non A-G Courses

PE Course 1
PE Course 2
Weightlifting
PE/Athletics
Reading Lab
Mathematics Lab
Think, Lead & Create 1-4
Transition 5-8
Peer Tutor (Teacher
Assistant)

SVCTE Non A-G Courses

Auto Body Refinishing
Auto Body Repair
Automotive Services
Culinary Arts



Visual and Performing Arts

Advanced Drama
Multimedia Production
Advanced Multimedia
Design in Mixed Media
Draw/Paint Design
Advanced Draw/Paint Design
Sculpture 3-D Design
Advanced Sculpture 3-D Design
AP 2D Art & Design*
Digital Photo
Advanced Digital Photo
Intro to Design (IED) (PLTW)
Dramatic Interpretation
Advanced Journalism
Advanced Yearbook
Beginning Band
Jazz Band
Chamber Chorale
Concert Band
Chamber Orchestra
Wind Ensemble

SVCTE-Visual and Performing Arts

Animation
Film & Video Production
Fashion Design & Textile Art

History/Social Science

World History/Cultures 1-2
World History/Cultures 3-4
Acc. World History/Cultures 3-4
U.S. History 1-2
Acc. U.S. History 1-2
AP U.S. History*
AP European History*
American Government
AP Government*

Edgenuity

US History and Geography A/B
Principles of American Democracy
World History, Cult, & Geography A/B

Electives

AP Macroeconomics*
Economics
AP Research*
Introduction to Computer Science Principles
Introduction to Ethnic Studies
Principles of Engineering (PLTW)
Leadership

SVCTE-Electives (some courses may meet additional subject area requirements)

Law Enforcement
Dental Assisting
Cybersecurity
Medical Assistant-Clinical
Electrical Vehicles/Automotive Services
Pharmacy Technician
Metals Technology
Medical Science/Health Careers
Nursing Careers
Mobile Application Development

7 Honors
Classes

22 AP
Classes

3
Accelerated
Classes

English Language Arts

English 1-2
English 3-4
Ethnic Studies Literature*
English 5-6
Honors English 5-6*
AP English Language and Composition*
AP English Literature and Composition*
AP Capstone*
ELD 5-8
English Lang Arts with Academic Language Dev 9th
English Lang Arts with Academic Language Dev 10th
AP Seminar*
CSU Expository Reading/Writing (ERWC)

Edgenuity

English Language Arts 9 A/B
English Language Arts 10 A/B
English Language Arts 11 A/B
English Language Arts 12 A/B

PARENT ORGANIZATIONS

Booster Club

This volunteer parent organization helps allocate funds and raise money to support Leland's athletics programs. This funding helps provide our athletic programs with the essentials necessary to operate at a high level.

Leland Bridge Club

Leland Bridge is a non-profit organization run by the Chinese-American parents of Leland students. This organization facilitates communication between the school and parents.

Parent Club

This group's mission is to support and enhance students' educational experience by fostering a strong sense of community among stakeholders. They promote open communication, facilitate collaboration, and provide resources for the school environment.

COURSE KEY



*A-G Weighted Course (AP, Honors, College-Level)
SVCTE (Silicon Valley Career Technical Education)
PLTW (Project Lead the Way)

LELAND ATHLETICS

Leland's athletic teams compete in the Central Coast Section. While in season, team members commit 5-6 days per week to practicing and competing with their team. Leland offers the largest selection of sports in the district at 29 sports, with 52 teams containing over 1,100 athletes.

During the 2020-2021 season, Leland teams won 5 varsity league championships and had more than 20 graduates go on to play their sport in college, 12 of those on full or partial scholarships.

In the 2020-2021 school year, the fall season was abbreviated due to the COVID-19 pandemic, while the winter and spring outdoor sports could complete a full schedule; however, all indoor sports had their seasons canceled. Six winter and spring teams and multiple individuals advanced to the section playoffs, and five teams won league championships.

In recent years, Girls Water Polo (2016, 2017, 2018), Boys Water Polo (2016), Baseball (2014, 2016) and Boys Basketball (2016) have won section championships.

All of our competitive interscholastic sports do hold tryouts, and many of them make cuts. None of our teams are "no cut." Student-athletes must have a current physical that is approved through Register My Athlete and a minimum of a 2.0 grade point average from the most recent grading period.

Leland's stadium is named for a beloved alumnus, Pat Tillman. He played four years in the NFL before joining the Army Rangers and serving in Afghanistan.

2022-2023 ATHLETICS DATA

Fall Sports	Winter Sports	Spring Sports
Boys Water Polo	Boys Soccer	Baseball
Girls Water Polo	Girls Soccer	Softball
Cross Country	Boys Basketball	Boys Golf
Field Hockey	Girls Basketball	Boys Tennis
Football	Wrestling	Boys Volleyball
Girls Golf		Badminton
Girls Tennis		Swimming and Diving
Girls Volleyball		Track and Field
Spirit/Cheerleading+		Boys Lacrosse
		Girls Lacrosse

Total Athletes
Female: 396
Male: 486

Male Teams
12 Varsity
9 Junior Varsity (JV)

Female Teams
14 Varsity
10 Junior Varsity (JV)
1 Frosh

Co-Ed Teams
2 Varsity
2 Junior Varsity (JV)

