

# Middle College at College of San Mateo

## 2023 - 2024 School Profile

### About Middle College

The Middle College program at the College of San Mateo is a collaboration between the San Mateo Union High School District and the San Mateo Community College District. The mission of Middle College at CSM is to offer a unique pathway for students to accomplish their secondary and post-secondary goals while challenging themselves in a supportive, individualized learning community. Middle College provides students with education acceleration through enrollment in student-selected college courses. Because of the rigor of the college coursework and the semester classes equivalent to one year in a high school course, Middle College typically advises students to take only 6-9 units of college classes and a maximum of 15 units, in addition to their high school English, Social Science, and Advisory courses. Middle College stresses integration into the college environment, including attending classes with the college student body, attending high school classes on the college campus, and pursuing college community opportunities like student-senate or college clubs.

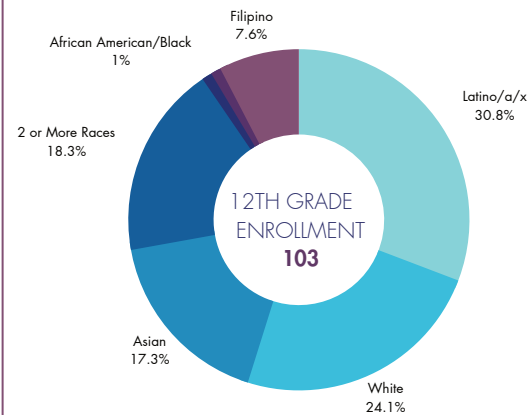
The program, which began in August 1998, includes up to 205 juniors and seniors and has 11 staff members. Students in the program benefit from close interactions with their teachers in a mature learning environment with personalized support that helps them make the transition from high school to college. Through a partnership with Wayfinder, a program born in Stanford University's Dlab, our students engage in two years of structured, intentional, purpose-driven social-emotional learning. We prioritize nurturing and challenging the whole human being, and our cross-content SEL curriculum stresses growing students' EQs.

Following a rigorous application process, students who are accepted into and choose to attend San Mateo's Middle College realize that they are selecting to be part of a community of people seeking to advance themselves personally and academically. Students who come to Middle College are expected to engage sincerely in their work and classes, have excellent attendance, respect the dignity of others, and grow as students and human beings, thus creating a community that helps others do the same.

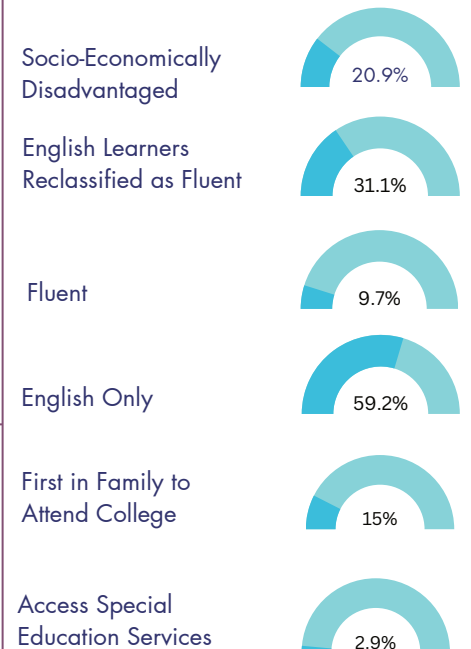
### SAT Averages



### Student Ethnic/Racial Background



### Additional Student Demographics



Gender:  
Male: 41% | Female: 58% | Non Binary: 1%



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### Fall 2023 College Course Enrollments

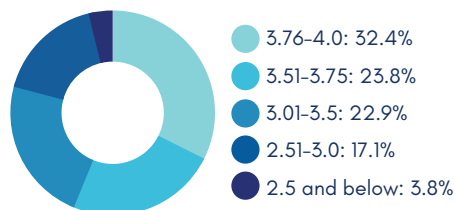
- Calculus with Analytic Geometry
- Introduction to Engineering
- Public Speaking
- Interpersonal Communication
- African-American Cinema
- Introduction to La Raza Studies
- Introduction to Computer Science
- Python Programming
- International Business
- Human Biology
- General Botany
- Developmental Psychology
- Social Psychology



- Introduction to Sociology
- Evolution of Hip-Hop Theory
- Theories of Personalities
- Introduction to Astronomy
- Principles of Macro Economics
- Accounting Procedures
- Financial Accounting
- Elementary & Probability Statistics
- General Physics
- Introduction to Film

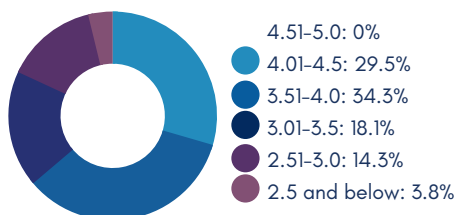
### Class of 2024 Unweighted GPA

Through grade 11, 4.0 Grade Scale

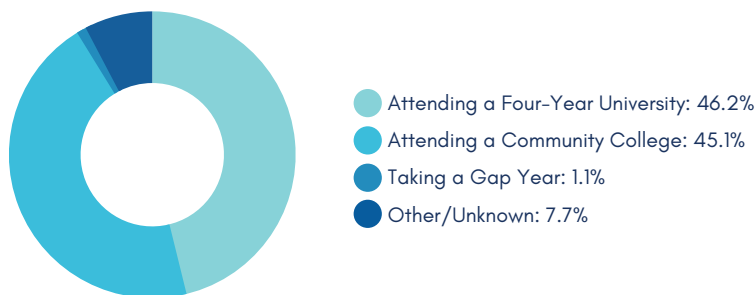


### Class of 2024 Weighted GPA

Through grade 11, 5.0 Grade Scale



### Post High School Plans (Class of 2023)



### Student Expectations



- (Re)build relational trust with peers and adults
- Be critical thinkers and compassionate
- participants in a collegiate environment
- Academically motivated, independent, and responsible

### Middle College Commitments

- Student choice and agency
- College guidance
- Social and emotional wellness
- Belonging and safety
- Liberatory curriculum



### Expected Impact on Students

- A non-traditional high school experience combining both high school and college coursework
- Prepare students for the more rigorous demands expected in college, improves the college admissions profile and gain a competitive advantage for university admission.
- Strong connection and identification with a community of learners.
- Increased motivation and engagement in learning.
- Accumulation of college credits and early preparation for college admission.
- Improved communication skills and media literacy.
- Increased maturity, independence, evidence of coping skills, and college-ready behaviors.
- Exploration of career options



### Class of 2023 College Destinations

- **UCs:** Berkeley, Davis, Irvine, Merced, San Diego
- **CSUs:** Chico, East Bay, Monterey Bay, Northridge, San Diego, San Francisco, San Jose, Sonoma
- **Private (California):** Loyola Marymount University, Scripps College, University of San Francisco, University of Southern California
- **Out of State/Country:** University of Oregon, Western Washington University, University of Washington, Purdue, University of Texas at Austin, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Northeastern University, University of Colorado at Boulder, University of New Mexico, McGill University, Whitman College
- **Community Colleges:** College of San Mateo, Santa Barbara City College

### Student Clubs and Extra Curricular Offerings

- Sunshine Club
- MC Effect Local and MC Effect Global
- Baking Club
- Music Appreciation
- La Raza
- Filipinx Club
- Gender and Sexuality Alliance
- Dungeons & Dragons
- Operation Smile
- Newsletter and Yearbook
- MC Gaming
- STEM Club
- MC Ambassadors
- Associated Students of CSM

