



Viewpoint School, founded in 1961, is an independent, non-profit, coeducational college preparatory day school with an enrollment of 1,200 students in Transitional Kindergarten through Twelfth Grade and 500 students in the high school. Viewpoint is on a 40-acre campus in the City of Calabasas, near the Santa Monica Mountains of Southern California. Students come from 90 zip codes around Los Angeles, and the parents represent 75 countries. Nearly 100% of graduates attend four-year colleges nationwide and around the world.

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School Profile 2024-2025

VIEWPOINT SCHOOL'S MISSION, VISION, AND VALUES

Our Vision:

A school where tradition connects us and innovation propels us

A community where families value unity in diversity

A world where education changes lives

Our Mission:

To create exceptional readiness for extraordinary futures by cultivating the critical skill set, courageous mindset, and resilient identity of each individual Viewpoint student

Our Values:

Love, Honor, Excellence, Imagination, Optimism



108 STUDENTS ARE IN THE CLASS OF 2025

GRADING SYSTEM

- Viewpoint School does not rank.
- Students are required to enroll in five academic classes per semester in Ninth and Tenth Grades, and a minimum of four academic classes and one elective each semester in Eleventh and Twelfth Grades.
- Viewpoint reports both weighted and unweighted GPAs, on a 4.0 scale, for work completed at Viewpoint only.
- One point is added to the cumulative weighted GPA for each Honors, AP, and VAS course.

VIEWPOINT ADVANCED STUDIES – VAS

VAS refers to post-AP classes that represent the most advanced classes in those subject areas. VAS courses require successful completion of the associated AP courses and departmental approval.

- VAS Advanced Topics in Calculus Honors
- VAS Algorithms & Data Structures Honors
- VAS Artificial Intelligence Honors
- VAS Game Development Honors
- VAS Honors Seminar in Environmental Science
- VAS Linear Algebra Honors
- VAS Logic Gates to Modern Computing Honors
- VAS The Supernatural in French Literature Honors
- VAS Voices of the French-Speaking World Honors
- VAS Voices of the Spanish-Speaking World Honors
- VAS Web Development Honors
- VAS World Literature Honors

ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAM

Viewpoint School offers 29 AP courses.

- AP Art History
- AP Biology
- AP Calculus AB, BC
- AP Chemistry
- AP Chinese Language
- AP Comparative Government
- AP Computer Science A, Principles
- AP English Language, Literature
- AP Environmental Science
- AP European History
- AP French Language
- AP Latin
- AP Music Theory
- AP Physics 1, 2
- AP Physics C: E&M, Mechanics
- AP Psychology
- AP Spanish Language, Literature
- AP Statistics
- AP Studio Art 2D
- AP Studio Art: 3D – Ceramics, Sculpture
- AP United States History
- AP World History

A total of 907 students took 2,251 exams over the last three years.

3-Year Average AP Participation by Grade:

73% earned scores of 3 or above

41% earned scores of 4 or 5

16% earned scores of 5

57% of Tenth Grade

92% of Eleventh Grade

96% of Twelfth Grade

3-Year Total Scholars Recognition:

133 AP Scholars with Distinction

76 AP Scholars with Honor

180 AP Scholars

1 AP International Diploma

NATIONAL MERIT PROGRAM – CLASS OF 2025

2 Semifinalists

TBD Commended Students

2 First Generation Award

4 National Hispanic Recognition Award

1 National African American Recognition Program

□ Highlights of the Curriculum **2024-2025**

Unique STEM Courses

- Advanced Design Lab I, II, III Honors
- Behavioral Neuroscience
- Engineering Design I, II, III Honors
- Field Ecology & Techniques
- Graphic Design for Media & Entrepreneurship
- Oceanography
- Software Engineering Honors
- Statistical Reasoning
- Viewpoint Advanced Studies (VAS) Web Development, Game Design, Artificial Intelligence Honors

Unique Performing and Visual Arts Courses

- Choreography I, II
- Digital Music Composition and Production
- Directing I, II
- Documentary Filmmaking
- Acting for Film
- Filmmaking IV Honors
- Hip Hop I-IV
- Musical Theater
- Photography Honors
- Speech and Debate
- Sports Media
- User Experience Design
- Viewpoint Jazz Ensemble

Unique English and Social Studies Courses

- Creative Writing
- Ethics and Leadership
- Global Economics
- Humanities
- International Relations
- Screenwriting

Unique World Language Courses

- Chinese V Honors
- Chinese Culture and Conversation
- Cultural Themes in French Cinema
- Cultural Themes in Spanish Cinema
- Francophone Culture and Conversation
- Latin Literature Honors

VIEWPOINT SCHOLARS AND INDEPENDENT STUDY PROGRAM

Many students engage in self-directed exploration or research on a specific topic. They require administrative approval and faculty mentorship. Recent project topics include:

- 2D Animated Short Film Character Animation
- Ancient Greek Studies
- Artists as Freedom Fighters
- Differences between Elegies written by a Man and a Woman
- History of Los Angeles—Through Photos
- How is "Success" Defined in Different Religious Faiths?
- How the Brain Learns Languages by Studying Japanese
- Laser Cutting Custom Jigsaw Puzzles
- Representation in Theatre Productions
- Teaching Nutrition to Underserved Communities
- The Mathematics of Bird Flight
- The Philosophy of Time and Time Travel
- Unlocking the CNC: A Manual for the Future Success in Robotics
- Writing, Scoring, and Staging an Original Musical

HONOR SOCIETIES AND SCHOLARS PROGRAMS

Honor Societies

- Community Outreach for Everyone (CORE)
- Cum Laude
- Founders' Club (student ambassadors)
- Mu Alpha Theta
- Music
- Quill and Scroll (Journalism)
- Science National
- World Languages — Chinese, French, Latin, Spanish

Scholars Programs

- Global Scholars
- Literary Scholars
- STEM Scholars
- Viewpoint Scholars

DIVERSITY, INCLUSION, AND COMMUNITY LIFE AT VIEWPOINT SCHOOL

Diversity Leadership Team

Under the direction of the School's Chief Belonging and Community Officer, four Viewpoint School faculty members serve as diversity coordinators across divisions—Primary/Lower, Middle, and Upper.

Pillars of Viewpoint Community Life

- Global Expansion of Consciousness
- Cultural Humility
- Respectful Curiosity
- Grace
- Self-Awareness
- Service

Viewpoint School Enrollment by the Numbers

- 75+ Countries represented by Viewpoint parents
- 56% Students of Color, including international students
- 18% Traditionally Underrepresented Students
- 20% Students Receive Need-Based Financial Aid
- Over \$6.7 Million Total Financial Aid

Social Justice Leadership Honor Society

Students in Grades 11 and 12 may apply and interview for the Social Justice Leadership Honor Society, which is in its fifth year at Viewpoint.

Affinity Groups

- Asian American Pacific Islander Club
- Black Student Union
- Chinese Club
- Feminism Club
- Filipino-American Student Association
- Girl Up Viewpoint
- Indian Student Union
- Jewish Student Union
- Latin American Student Association
- Middle Eastern Student Union
- Spectrum: Gender-Sexuality Alliance

