

CLASS OF 2025
SCHOOL PROFILE

BRENTWOOD SCHOOL is a nonprofit,

independent, coeducational, college-preparatory day school. Located in West Los Angeles, Brentwood School benefits from its close proximity to major freeways and draws students from the greater Los Angeles area.

592

Students in grades 9-12

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Student/faculty ratio (9-12)

136

Students in the senior class

110 Z

Zip codes where our students live



Students who receive financial assistance (K-12)



Students of Color (9-12)

Asian or Asian American: 8% Black or African American: 6% Latinx or Latinx American: 6% Middle Eastern or Middle Eastern American: 10% Multiracial: 20%

ADMISSION AND ENROLLMENT

Admission to Brentwood School is a thorough and competitive process that includes a detailed application, student and family interviews, a review of transcripts, and a writing sample. We strive to admit students whose families support the school's mission and core values.

ACCREDITATION STATEMENT

Brentwood School is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) and the California Association of Independent Schools (CAIS). Brentwood School is a member of the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS).

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CURRICULUM HIGHLIGHTS

Student-driven learning that values curiosity and critical thinking provides each Brentwood Upper School student with a deep foundation in liberal arts and a path toward leadership.

Through the Brentwood curriculum, every student graduates with problem-solving skills, cross-cultural awareness, the ability to communicate effectively, and an equitable, ethical, and curious mindset.

Brentwood's curriculum is challenging, and while it offers many AP courses, the school's elective and honors courses are just as, if not more, rigorous and relevant than the Advanced Placement curriculum. We do not counsel students to "collect" APs. Instead, we encourage students to choose courses that reflect their authentic interests and pursuits.

THE HIGHEST COURSE THAT STUDENTS CAN TAKE IN THE FOLLOWING DISCIPLINES ARE:

Math — Multivariable Calculus and AP Calc BC

Science — AP Physics C: Mechanics

History — AP Art History and AP US History

Visual Arts — AP Studio Art

Music — AP Music Theory

English — AP Literature

World Languages — Honors Mandarin 5, AP Spanish Language, AP French, and AP Latin

For a list of course offerings, click here.

Grading System

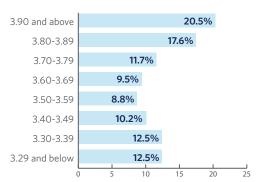
Students are required to enroll in six academic classes per semester. Brentwood School records only semester grades on student transcripts. Students earn 0.5 credit for each course per semester.

Brentwood School does not rank. Students have an unweighted GPA. Weighted GPA is only used to report to colleges on the transcript using a 4.0 scale. Only coursework completed at Brentwood is represented in the cumulative GPA.

CRITERIA

Letter	Grade Point	Percentage
Α	4.0	100-93%
Α-	3.7	92-90%
B+	3.3	89-87%
В	3.0	86-83%
B-	2.7	82-80%
C+	2.3	79-77%
С	2.0	76-73%
C-	1.7	72-70%
D+	1.3	69-67%
D	1.0	66-63%
D-	0.7	62-60%
F	0.0	59-0%

UNWEIGHTED CUMULATIVE GPA DISTRIBUTION (136 SENIORS)



TEST SCORES

ACT SUMMARY		SAT SUMMARY		
Section	Mean	Section	Mean	
Composite	30	Composite	1355	
English	32	Evidence-Based		
Math	29	Reading and Writing	669	
Science	30	Mathematics		
Reading	31			

ADVANCED PLACEMENT TESTING

All students who take an AP course are required to take the corresponding AP exam to have the AP designation included on their transcript. Students may also take an AP exam through an independent study course or through their own initiative.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT NUMBERS

288	AP Students	51	AP Scholars
751	Exams Offered	27	AP Scholars with Honors
24	Exam Subjects	70	AP Scholars with Distinction
31 %	Tests with a score of 5	132	out of 136 seniors are enrolled in at least one AP class
29 %	Tests with a score of 4	5	Average number of APs taken per student
24 %	Tests with a score of 3	3	Average number of APs taken during senior year
		12	Highest total number of APs taken

AP COURSE	# STUDENTS TESTED	% STUDENTS SCORING 3, 4, OR 5
2D Art Design	11	91%
Art History	18	89%
Biology	27	89%
Calculus AB	38	97%
Calculus BC	32	94%
Chemistry	21	100%
Comp. Government and Polit	ics 35	86%
Computer Science A	31	74%
Computer Science Principles	51	88%
Drawing	5	100%
English Language	55	95%
English Literature	35	100%
Environmental Science	59	63%
French Language	9	100%
Human Geography	34	79%
Latin	11	18%
Macroeconomics	73	92%
Microeconomics	75	89%
Music Theory	12	92%
Physics C: Mechanics	11	100%
Spanish Language	25	100%
Statistics	34	94%
US Government and Politics	26	96%
US History	9	100%

Distinguished Programs

APPLIED SCIENCE

The Applied Science program provides students with hands-on research experiences and practical applications of scientific principles. This advanced topics program focuses on allowing students to engage in original scientific projects, design and conduct experiments, and explore various scientific disciplines. It aims to promote critical thinking, problem-solving, and innovation while giving students an opportunity to work as scientists and researchers. Applied Science often encourages interdisciplinary collaboration, enabling students to address real-world problems that may span multiple scientific fields. The program coordinator has expertise in chemistry, entrepreneurship, renewable energy, nanomaterials, and sustainable fabrics.

BENEFACTA PROGRAM

Benfacta encourages and recognizes extraordinary community service within and beyond the school community. Students who have completed more than 50 hours of community service may apply for the Benefacta Program.

BRENTWOOD THEATER COMPANY (BTC) BRENTWOOD DANCE COMPANY (BDC)

BTC and BDC are advanced, audition-based ensembles open to juniors and seniors.

CUM LAUDE

Students in the top 20% of the senior class may be considered for admission into the Cum Laude Society. Cum Laude scholars must also have consistently exhibited integrity, compassion, good judgment, and social responsibility.

DEAN'S LIST

Students named to the Dean's List have no effort or citizenship marks of U and a grade point average of 3.6 or higher.

EQUITY AND INCLUSION

At Brentwood School, we recognize and value the varied backgrounds and personal experiences every person brings to our community. Brentwood's exceptional academic and co-curricular offerings, within a diverse and multifaceted community, cultivate strong critical thinking and innovation in our students, who in turn, become lifelong learners and leaders.

Our Office of Equity and Inclusion encourages the community to embrace and navigate their differences through cross-cultural interactions, including celebrations, cultural events, dialogues, and affinity group programming. Brentwood is committed to sustaining an equitable and just community, where our students feel safe and seen, and fulfills that goal through an inclusive curriculum, intentional hiring of diverse faculty and staff, and a dedication to anti-bias practices.

FOUNDATIONS

A required class for all 9th graders, Foundations is designed to prepare students for what they will experience in and out of the classroom throughout the Upper School. During this yearlong, non-graded class, students rotate through different units focused on equity, inclusion, multiculturalism, ethics, identity, mental health, substance use and abuse, and relationships. Throughout these units, students learn emotional intelligence and self-awareness by talking and listening to their peers. Two 12th grade teaching assistants help mentor the students and model communication skills

HONOR ROLL

Brentwood School names students to the Honor Roll if they have no effort or citizenship marks of U and a grade point average for the prior semester of 3.2 to 3.59.

INDEPENDENT STUDY

Independent Study is for students interested in pursuing a research-based academic endeavor of intellectual curiosity that expands beyond Brentwood's course offerings. The student's Independent Study advisor approves the student's proposal and guides them until the completion of the research project.

The Independent Study is notated on the transcript. However, it does not count toward the required course load. Independent Study courses receive credit/no credit.

PEER LEADERS AND TEACHING ASSISTANTS

Selected after a rigorous application process, Peer Leaders and Teaching Assistants are trained to conduct weekly outreach sessions with 9th graders. Facilitating dialogue through an activity-based model, Peer Leaders take a course in Applied Psychology while TAs support the Foundations course to guide freshmen during a critical developmental phase. These seniors are engaged role models in our community.

PREFECT

The student body elects five Prefects from the senior class each year. Together they lead the Upper School. Two are chosen by the Head of School to be Co-Head Prefects.

SUMMER STUDY

Courses offered during the summer are an extension of our college preparatory program and fulfill graduation requirements. Some students choose to take summer classes to broaden their academic opportunities during the school year.

Student Life

The Student Life program is the non-academic heartbeat of the student body at Brentwood School. We offer more than 50 student-led clubs and activities. Student Life also includes assemblies and a robust advisory program that focuses on social-emotional development, annual events including homecoming, coffeehouse, semi-formal, and junior/senior prom, and our student body color wars, known as September Splash. Brentwood school prides itself on a vibrant, energetic Student Life program.

DISCIPLINARY REPORTING

Brentwood School notifies colleges of any serious academic or disciplinary matters that affect a student's application and profile. If a student violates school rules, the infraction may be noted in the School Recommendation and/or Secondary School Report Form. If a serious infraction occurs after application forms have been sent, Brentwood School and the student will notify the Admission Office of the colleges to which the student has applied.

BELLDEGRUN CENTER FOR INNOVATIVE LEADERSHIP

The Belldegrun Center for Innovative Leadership (BCIL) at Brentwood School prepares community members to engage with real-world challenges and explore solutions within and beyond the classroom. The BCIL offers experiential learning through innovative course offerings, a speaker series, leadership development workshops, and extracurricular opportunities. Our programming includes social entrepreneurship, civic leadership, community engagement, peer programming, STEM, and more.

Brentwood Athletics

Brentwood School athletes strive to provide an enduring source of pride for our school and our community. We have 35 teams across 18 sports so our student-athletes can find a place within Eagle athletics to compete and celebrate their unique talents and strengths.

18 SPORTS OFFERED (9TH - 12TH)

Baseball Basketball Beach Volleyball Cheer

Cross Country

Drill Equestrian Fencing Flag Football Football Golf Lacrosse Soccer Swimming Tennis Track & Field Volleyball Water polo 71%

Students playing a sport this year

College Placement (LAST THREE YEARS)

100% of our students are admitted to four-year colleges and universities.

The American University of Paris

Babson College

Barnard College

Bates College

Boston College

Boston University

Bowdoin College

Brown University

Bucknell University

Cal Poly Humboldt

California State University-Fullerton

California State University-Northridge

Carleton College

Carnegie Mellon University

Colby College

Colgate University

Columbia University in the City

of New York

Connecticut College

Cornell University

Dartmouth College

Duke University

El Camino Community College

Emerson College

Emory University

Florida International University

George Washington University

Georgetown University

Georgia Institute of Technology

Harvard University Haverford College Indiana University-Bloomington

Kenyon College

Knox College

Loyola Marymount University

The New School

New York University

North Carolina State University

at Raleigh

Northeastern University

Northwestern University

Pennsylvania State University

Pepperdine University

Princeton University

Reed College

Rochester Institute of Technology

San Diego State University

Santa Monica College

Skidmore College

Sonoma State University

Southern Methodist University

Stanford University

Syracuse University

Temple University

Tufts University

Tulane University of Louisiana

United States Military Academy

University College London

The University of Alabama

University of Arizona

University of California-Berkeley University of California-Davis University of California-Los Angeles

University of California-Santa Barbara

University of California-Santa Cruz

University of Chicago

University of Colorado Boulder

University of Miami

University of Michigan-Ann Arbor

The University of North Carolina

at Chapel Hill

University of Pennsylvania

University of Oregon

University of Richmond

University of Southern California

University of St Andrews

The University of Texas at Austin

University of Virginia

University of Washington-

Seattle Campus

University of Wisconsin-Madison

Vanderbilt University

Wagner College

Wake Forest University

Washington University in St. Louis

Wellesley College

Wesleyan University

Williams College

Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Xavier University of Louisiana

Yale University