

Monta Vista High School

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2025-2026 School Profile



Monta Vista High School (MVHS), founded in 1969, stands as one of California's premier comprehensive high schools—and among the nation's finest. Nestled in the heart of Silicon Valley, MVHS is celebrated for its rigorous academic programs and its wide array of extracurricular and co-curricular opportunities that empower students to discover and pursue their passions. A proud recipient of both the

California Distinguished School and National Blue-Ribbon honors, MVHS consistently earns recognition from Newsweek and U.S. News & World Report for outstanding student achievement. At the core of MVHS is a commitment to student success. Our school counseling team—made up of four full-time counselors and a dedicated College and Career Advisor—provides comprehensive support in academic planning, personal growth, and preparation for life after high school. Through close collaboration with students, families, and staff, the counseling team ensures that every student receives individualized guidance, empowering them to thrive in high school and beyond.

Principal

Ben Clausnitzer

Assistant Principals

Anthony Nguyen (A-H)

Brian Dong (I-Pe)

Mike White (Pf-Z)

School Counselors

Ashley Voigt (A-Ga)

Belinda Olson (Gb-Lin)

Sylvia Lam (Lio-Sg)

Clay Stiver (Sh-Z)

College/Career Advisor

Rogelio Calderon

Registrar

Shilpi Jain

Class of 2026 by the Numbers

404
students

28 National Merit
Semi-finalists

91 National Merit
Commended

GPA Distribution for Class of 2026

Individual class rank is not reported. To evaluate student performance, use the grade distribution chart below showing the number of students in each unweighted, cumulative 9-12 GPA category.

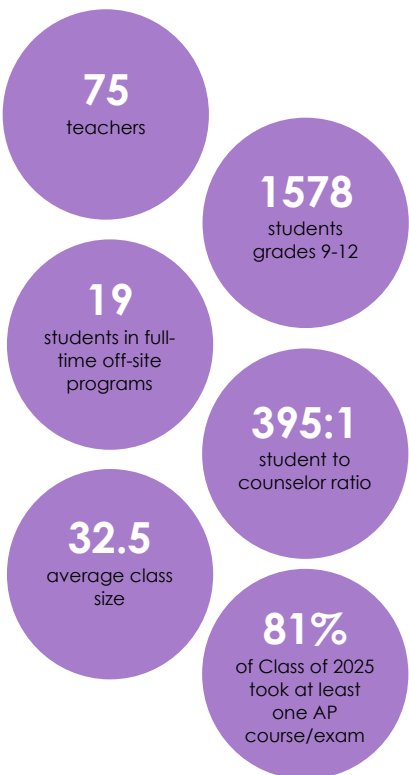
3.75 -- 4.0	170 (42%)
3.5 -- 3.74	93 (23%)
3.0 -- 3.49	102 (25%)
2.5 -- 2.99	31 (8%)
2.0 -- 2.49	4 (1%)
< 2.0	2 (0.5%)

Data as of 08/26/2025

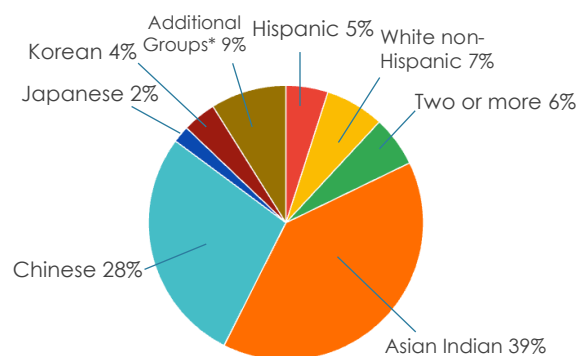
GPA and Related Procedures

- Credits are posted at the end of each semester.
- Each semester class is 5 credits; most FUHSD classes are yearlong (10 credits) and meet for 150 instructional hours.
- GPA is calculated at the end of each semester (A=4; B=3; C=2; D=1; F=0). Honors and AP classes are not given additional point values.
- Cumulative GPA is all coursework from grade 9 to current. A-G GPA is college-prep academic courses only.
- Coursework earning P (Pass), NP (no pass), NM (No Mark), I (Incomplete), W (Withdraw) is not calculated into the GPA.
- Coursework from non-accredited or out-of-country schools are transferred as Pass/Fail.
- Final semester grade marks include letter grades only and no +/- scale option.

MVHS by the Numbers

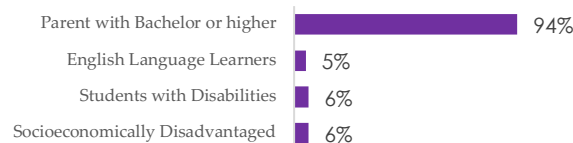


Student Demographics



*Additional groups include: Vietnamese, Laotian, Cambodian, Hmong, Other Pacific Islander, Filipino, Black, American Indian

Additional Student Demographics



Spring 2025 Assessment Snapshot

SAT*

311 students
666 (R) / 708 (M)
1374 mean composite
*data from Spring 2025

ACT*

47 students
31.2(R) / 30.1(M) / 30(S)
31.4 mean composite
*data from Spring 2025

CAASPP/Smarter Balanced*

84% EAP College-Ready (ELA)
86% EAP College-Ready (Math)
*data from Spring 2025

Advanced Placement

965 students took 3006 exams
96% scores 3 or higher
50% scores of 5
*data from Spring 2025

Graduation Requirements

Subject	Credits
English (4 years)	40
Social Science (3 years)	30
Mathematics (2 years; min. Algebra 1 and Geometry)	20
Science (2 years; life and physical)	20
Physical Education (2 years)	20
Electives (includes courses beyond subject area requirements)	70
1 year in each of 2 of the following 3 areas:	
World Language	
Visual/Performing Arts	20
Applied Academics (includes Career Technical Education, Programming, Work Experience)	
Total Credits	220

School and District Policies

Students typically take 6 courses each year. Students enrolled in AVID, ASB Leadership, Academic Foundations, Learning Skills, or programs including Dual Enrollment, music, and some Career Technical Education pathways may take 7 courses. Due to budgetary constraints, students are generally limited to one course per subject area per year. AP and Honors courses are open access. Students taking AP courses are encouraged to take the corresponding exams. Some students choose to take courses through concurrent enrollment at one of the five local community colleges. This coursework is typically not included on the FUHSD transcript.

AP/Honors at MVHS

English

American Lit Honors
AP English Literature

Mathematics

Pre-Calculus Honors
AP Calculus AB; AP Calculus BC
AP Statistics
AP Computer Science Principles
AP Computer Science A

Science

Chemistry Honors
AP Physics 1; AP Physics C
AP Biology; AP Chemistry
AP Environmental Science

Social Sciences

AP Macroeconomics
AP US Government
AP US History

Visual & Performing Arts

Advanced Drama Honors

World Languages

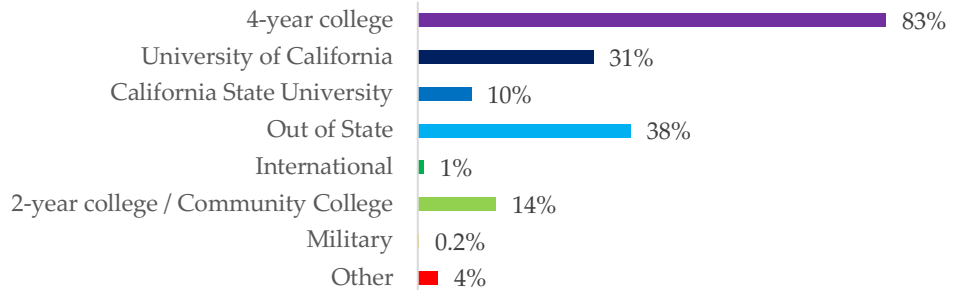
Honors 4 and AP Chinese, French, Japanese, Spanish

Accredited by

Western Association of Schools and Colleges

Class of 2025 Post-Secondary Destinations

(based on survey data and final transcript requests of 444 students)



In addition to University of California and California State Universities, recent MVHS Graduates have matriculated at the following postsecondary institutions:

Arizona State University	Penn State University, Altoona
Barnard College	Pepperdine University
Biola University	Pitzer College
Boston University	Pratt Institute
Brown University	Purdue University
Cabrillo College	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Cal College of the Arts, San Francisco	Rhode Island School of Design
Carnegie Mellon University	Rice University
Case Western Reserve University	San Jose City College
Chapman University	Santa Clara University
Cornell University	Stanford University
Dartmouth College	Tufts University
De Anza College	United States Air Force Academy
Eastern Illinois University	University of Arizona
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University	University of British Columbia
Emory University	University of Colorado at Boulder
Foothill College	University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
George Washington University	University of Maryland, College Park
Georgia Institute of Technology	University of Massachusetts, Amherst
Harvard University	University of Michigan
Hong Kong University of Science and Technology	University of Nevada, Las Vegas
Indiana University at Bloomington	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Irvine Valley College	University of Oregon
Las Positas College	University of Pennsylvania
Maryland Institute College of Art	University of Pittsburgh
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	University of San Francisco
Mission College	University of Southern California
New York University	University of Texas, Austin
North Carolina State University	University of the Arts London
Northeastern University	University of Washington
Northern Illinois University	University of Waterloo
Northwestern College	University of Wisconsin, Madison
Occidental College	Waseda University
Ohio State University	Washington University in St. Louis
Oxford College of Emory University	West Valley College
Pennsylvania State University	