



Paramount High School (PHS)

PHS is a comprehensive public urban high school located in southern Los Angeles County. It serves areas of Paramount, Lakewood, Bellflower, Long Beach and South Gate. The West Campus serves students in 9th grade; the Senior Campus serves students in 10th - 12th grades. The PHS community strongly believes in providing all students with a quality educational program and is dedicated to their academic, personal and social growth within a student-centered environment.

Demographics

Certificated faculty includes 170 teachers, 6 administrators, 4 deans, 12 counselors, 3 social workers, 3 psychologists, 128 classified staff, and 29 Nutrition Services staff.

The student population is 3340. Racial/ethnic composition consists of 6% African American, 90% Latino, 1% Caucasian, 2% Asian/Pacific Islander, and 2% Other.

- 2025 Graduates: 788
- Certificates of Completion: 15
- Graduation rate: 96%
- First-generation College Students: 66%
- 2026 Senior Class: 773
- Highest GPA: 4.72
- Free meals: 100%
- Special Education: 13%
- EL: 13%

Class of 2025 Students Post-Secondary Plans:

4-year University	27%
Community Colleges	46%
Workforce	25%
Military	2%

Marking System:

Grade	Grades 6-12
A	Excelling substantially at District/Course standards
B	Significantly proficient at District/Course Standards
C	Proficient at District/Course standards
D	Minimal proficiency at District/Course standards
F	Not proficient at District/Course standards No credit (9-12)

Graduation Requirements: 220 Credits

Language Arts	40 credits	Electives	55 credits
Science	30 credits	Health	5 credits
Math	30 credits	Phys. Ed.	20 credits
VPA/FL	10 credits	Social Science	30 credits

Class Rank

The official class rank is based on work starting in 9th grade, using a cumulative weighted grade point average, which includes Physical Education classes. Honors and Advanced Placement classes receive an extra grade point.

Special Curriculum Features

The PHS curriculum consists of college preparatory classes and accelerated courses in:

ADVANCED PLACEMENT	
Biology	Microeconomics
Calculus AB & BC	Music Theory
Chemistry	Physics
Computer Science A	Psychology
Computer Science Principles	Spanish Language
Drawing	Spanish Literature
English Lang & Comp	Statistics
English Lit & Comp	US Gov & Politics
Environmental Science	United States History
Human Geography	World History
HONORS	
Algebra 2/Trigonometry	Algebra 1
Chemistry	Language Arts 1
Geometry	Language Arts 2
Civil Engineering & Arch	Pre Calculus
Human Body Systems	Principles of Biomedical Science
Biomedical Innovation	Medical Interventions
Intro to Engineering Design	Comp Integrated Manufacturing
Cybersecurity	Eng Design and Development
Principles of Engineering	Comp Assisted Draft & Design

The College & Career Center supports students with postsecondary plans, college resources, career, & financial aid, college admissions, and dual enrollment. Staff includes Counselor, a USC College Adviser, college readiness program representatives, and community college liaisons.



PARAMOUNT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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School Profile 2025-26

CEEB CODE: 052365

Special Programs:

- AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) 9th-12th focuses on closing the achievement gap by preparing students for college readiness and success.
An active California Scholarship Federation (CSF) honors students meeting high academic qualifications and community service.
Academic Coaches: Math, Science, and Language Arts: facilitate onsite professional development; monitor teaching practices; and facilitate continuous assessment of student progress.
Early College Program in partnership with Compton College. Students who participate in this program will have the opportunity to earn an Associate's Degree and transfer in the area of Administration of Justice along with their high school diploma.
Link Crew focuses on students helping succeed by connecting freshmen with upper classmen.
Junior Reserve Officer Training is an active group serving PHS and the community with the mission of "motivating young people to be better citizens".
Career Technical Education specializations:
o Architectural Design
o Biotechnology
o Cal APS: hands on CTE courses after school
o Education
o Engineering Design
o Business Management
o Information Support & Services
o Design, Visual & Media Arts
o Food Services & Hospitality
o Patient Care
o Sports Medicine
o Game Design & Integration
o Production & Managerial Arts

- Los Angeles County Community Schools Initiative: PHS is one of 15 schools selected for this program, which focuses on building equity for students and leveraging community resource access via whole child perspective.
Class of 2025 boasts two students receiving The Gates Scholarships, a highly selective, last-dollar scholarship for outstanding seniors from low-income households. Each year, the scholarship is awarded to exceptional student leaders, with the intent of helping them realize their maximum potential.

Student Activities:

PHS has over 40 student-led clubs in addition to ASB, Choir, JROTC Competition, Pirate News, Spirit/Cheer, and Yearbook.

Table with 2 columns and 8 rows listing sports: Baseball, Basketball B/G, Football, Cross Country B/G, Soccer B/G, Softball, Swim B/G, Competitive Cheer, Tennis B/G, Track & Field B/G, Volleyball B/G, Water Polo B/G, Wrestling B/G, Flag Football.

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