

# SOUTH ANCHORAGE HIGH SCHOOL – School Profile 2025/2026

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## MISSION STATEMENT

*South Anchorage High School is a dynamic learning community with high expectations, encouraging everyone to learn, achieve, and succeed.*

As South Anchorage High School (SAHS) enters its 22<sup>nd</sup> year as a comprehensive high school in the Anchorage School District, students, staff, parents, and community members praise the school for the high levels of academic achievement that our students have realized. The school has an exceptional academic program with a full complement of advanced placement classes in all curricular areas. We also offer honors language arts and social studies classes, three world languages, and specialized fine arts, music, and career technology courses. Additionally, SAHS students have numerous interscholastic athletic opportunities, as well as a host of clubs and other programs that are available to them to help broaden their educational experience.

Our Civic Leadership Program is the first dual credit pathway in the Anchorage School District. Students must apply to the program before their sophomore year. Once accepted, students will enroll in dual credit social studies and English classes in grades 10-12. Students complete 80+ hours of community service with a local non-profit organization, which culminates in a capstone research paper and presentation that outlines the impact of their project in the community. The goal of the program is to encourage critical inquiry, research methods, and written and oral communication skills in order to prepare students to make a positive impact on their community. The dual credit grades are not weighted.

South has an outstanding faculty, which includes masters-level, doctoral-level, and National Board-certified instructors. Our teachers consistently work to ensure that all of their instructional activities are standards-based, rigorous, and relevant. With the current state of depleting funding for public schools nationwide that has led to larger class sizes and untenable workloads, the staff at SAHS is committed as ever to helping each student achieve his or her unique academic potential in a safe, welcoming learning environment.

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Language Arts	4 credits
Social Studies	4 credits
Science	3 credits
Mathematics	3 credits
Physical Education	1.5 credits
General Electives	7 credits

## MARKING SYSTEM

<b>A</b>	Superior	4.0	90-100%
<b>B</b>	Above Average	3.0	80-89%
<b>C</b>	Average	2.0	70-79%
<b>D</b>	Below Average	1.0	60-69%
<b>F</b>	Failing	0.0	0-59%
<b>WF</b>	Withdraw Failing		
<b>K</b>	Waiver of PE credit		
<b>J</b>	Audit		

## TRANSCRIPTING NOTES

AP courses are weighted (A=5.0 points on a 4.0 scale), with the exception of F.

Class rank and grade point average are computed at the end of each semester. All courses on a transcript are used to determine rank and GPA.

TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED 22.5 credits

## SPECIALIZED PROGRAMS/SERVICES

- Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corp
- Civic Leadership Program
- Community Service Engagement Clubs
- English Language Learners Support
- Fine Arts (visual and performance)
- Gifted Mentorship
- Migrant and Indian Education Support
- Peer Mentorship

## ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES

- AP Biology
- AP Calculus AB
- AP Calculus BC
- AP Chemistry
- AP Computer Science A
- AP Environmental Science
- AP German
- AP Language and Composition
- AP Literature and Composition
- AP Physics I
- AP Pre-Calculus
- AP Spanish
- AP Statistics
- AP U.S. History
- AP World History

## ATHLETICS (4A DIVISION)

- Baseball
- Basketball
- Bowling
- Cheerleading
- Cross-Country Running
- Cross-Country Skiing
- Flag Football
- Football
- Gymnastics
- Hockey
- Riflery
- Soccer
- Softball
- Swimming/Diving
- Tennis
- Track & Field
- Volleyball
- Wrestling

## CLASS OF 2026

Class size 333

## TOTAL ENROLLMENT

1,341

## SAHS 25/26 DEMOGRAPHICS

Alaska Native	5%
Asian	6%
Black	1%
Hispanic	8%
Multi-Ethnic	12%
Pacific Islander	2%
White	66%

## CIVIC LEADERSHIP PROGRAM DUAL CREDIT

- CLGE Philosophy (=college-level sophomore English)
- CLGE Western Civilizations
- CLGE United States History
- CLGE Political Science
- CLGE Introduction to Literature
- CLGE Critical Thinking (=college-level senior English)



PRINCIPAL – Luke Almon, Ed.D.  
 ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL, CURRICULUM – Jocelyn Hemenway  
 ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL, ACTIVITIES – Willie Overgaard

