

LAKEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

CEEB CODE: 051347

2026-2027 SCHOOL PROFILE

ABOUT US

Lakewood High School (LHS) is a large comprehensive public school in Lakewood, California, and is part of the Long Beach Unified School District (LBUSD) in south Los Angeles County. Opened in 1957, the school enrolls over 2,100 students in grades nine through twelve. Fifty-nine percent of our students are categorized as socio-economically disadvantaged, five percent are English language learners, and eleven percent of our students have disabilities. Our mascot is the Lancer, and our school colors are red and white. LHS is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges. LBUSD has a school-of-choice policy whereby students from across the district may apply to attend special programs at any of its ten high schools.

In an effort to personalize the education of such a large school population, all students are enrolled in Pathways. All Pathways provide courses that fulfill university admissions requirements and have Linked Learning components.

- **Merit Scholars** is a rigorous college-preparatory program with a course of study exceeding UC/CSU admission requirements. The Merit Scholars program is committed to preparing students for university-level work.
- **Applied Technology Magnet (ATM)** With a background in STEM, students follow career paths that offer them opportunities to study and participate in the development and use of high-demand and emerging technologies.
- **Digital Media, Arts, and Communications (DMAC)** increases students' creativity and technical expertise through film, photography, graphic design, drama, music, and dance while integrating a rigorous industry-approved curriculum.
- **Odyssey Academy** is committed to developing environmentally conscious critical thinkers and problem solvers who utilize their knowledge and skills to become agents of change. Through a rigorous marine focused STEM curriculum, students engage in industry related cross-curricular projects and work-based learning opportunities.
- **Health Occupations and Sports Medicine (HOSM)** is designed for students with a passion for healthcare or sports medicine, using challenging hands-on, real-world, academic, and technical classes.

2,237

2026-2027
STUDENT
ENROLLMENT

541

2027 GRADUATING
CLASS

97%

CLASS OF 2026
MATRICULATION

46%

CLASS OF 2026 MET
CSU/UC A-G
REQUIREMENTS

88%

CLASS OF 2026
MATRICULATED TO
COLLEGE

30%

CLASS OF 2026
MATRICULATED TO A 4-
YEAR UNIVERSITY

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ACADEMICS

Starting with the 2017-2018 school year, we transitioned from a traditional six-period day to a 4x4 block schedule. Ninth and tenth grade students typically take seven classes, while eleventh and twelfth grades are encouraged to take six, allowing upper graders the opportunity to take courses at a community college, gain work experience, or expand upon their community service experiences. Please see the COVID-19 statement below.

LHS uses a traditional grading system. Students earn grades of A, B, C, D, or F. A grade of D is considered passing for high school credit. Unweighted grade points are assigned on the basis of A=4, B=3, C=2, D=1, and F=0. Weighted grade points are assigned to A.P. and honors classes with A=5, B=4, C=3, D=1, and F=0.

- **Total GPA** includes all classes taken 9th-12th, unweighted (including F grades)
- **Academic GPA** excludes physical education as well as other non-academic classes, grades 9-12, unweighted.
- **University GPA** includes 10th-12th college-preparatory classes only and uses a weighted scale.

It is the policy of the Long Beach Unified School District and its schools not to rank students based on grade point average or any other criteria.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Subject Area	Credits	Subject Area	Credits
English	40	Fine Arts/World Language	10
Social Science	30	Physical Education	20
Mathematics	30	Electives	60
Science (1 year Biological + 1 year Physical)	20		

Total Credits to Graduate = 220

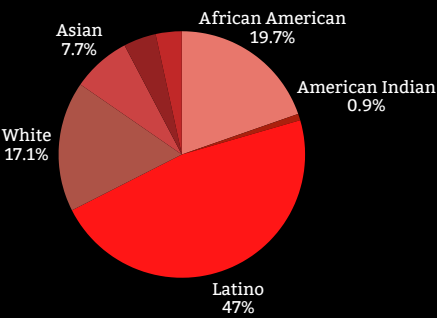
SCHEDULING AND COURSE ACCESS

Due to scheduling constraints and staffing, not all Advanced Placement (AP) courses are offered every period. As a result, some AP classes overlap in the master schedule, requiring students to choose between certain AP options. Despite these scheduling limitations, many students pursue rigorous coursework through available AP, honors, and dual enrollment opportunities.

CAMPUS LIFE

Students are encouraged to become active outside of the classroom for a more well-rounded high school experience. LHS offers twenty-five sports and more than eighty clubs and organizations, as well as full music and performing arts program.

STUDENT DEMOGRAPHICS



ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES

- Research Psychology
- Macroeconomics
- Computer Science Principles
- 2D Art and Design
- 3D Art and Design
- AP Drawing
- French
- Spanish Language
- Spanish Literature
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Environmental Science
- Physics 1
- Calculus AB
- Computer Science A
- Pre Calculus
- Statistics
- English Language and Composition
- English Literature and Composition Seminar
- African American Studies
- Government and Politics United States
- United States History
- World History

HONOR CLASSES

- Anatomy/Physiology
- Chemistry

ADMINISTRATION

- Mona Merlo - Principal/
Merit & HOSM Pathways
- Lloyd Wilson - Assistant Principal/
ATM Pathway
- Cherilyn Walker - Assistant Principal/
DMAC Pathway
- Sashya Tullo - Assistant Principal/
Odyssey Pathway
- Candice Calderón-Lem
Head Counselor