

## WHITNEY HIGH SCHOOL

# School Profile 2024 - 2025

California High School U.S. News & World Report

Class of 2023 Seniors Received CA's Golden State Seal of Merit

**High School Graduation Rate** 

Advanced Placement Pass Rate with a 3 or Above

California Distinguished School Recognition

National Blue Ribbon Distinction

#### WHITNEY HIGH SCHOOL

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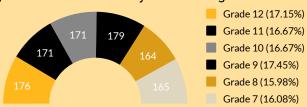
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Whitney High School (WHS) strives to develop intrinsically motivated, collaborative learners who approach their education purposefully and creatively by taking ownership of their learning to become responsible, innovative global citizens. WHS is a WASC accredited suburban, public, college-preparatory middle and high school serving the top 15% of students throughout the ABC Unified School District. Students are selected and invited to attend based on a composite of their performance on the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) and an ABC district writing assessment.

#### STUDENT DEMOGRAPHICS

- 62.8% Asian, 16.3% Filipino, 11% Hispanic/Latino, 3.9% White, 1.9% Black/African-American, 0.3% Pacific Islander, 0.2% American Indian/Alaskan, 2.7% Multiracial/Unknown
- 30% of students qualify federally as socio-economically disadvantaged

**Total Students Enrolled** 2024-2025



#### **Whitney Early College Program**

The Whitney Early College Program started it's inaugural cohort in the 2021-2022 school year. Thirty rising 9th grade students are selected annually for this program through an application process. The main goal is to prepare students to pursue a post-secondary education at a fouryear college or university. A student who completes the program will meet ABCUSD high school graduation requirements and the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) requirements through Cerritos College. This allows students to complete lower division course requirements at the University of California (UC) or California State University (CSU). Twenty-one students remain in Cohort 1 (Class of 2025) and each of these students are working towards completing one or two additional Dual Enrollment courses to earn their Associates Degree (AA). Class of 2025 will be the first class at our school, and within the ABC Unified District, to complete and graduate from this program.





#### **SCHEDULE & GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

#### **SCHEDULE**

School year includes:

- Two semesters comprised of approximately 18 weeks
- All students must take a minimum of 6 classes per semester (5 classes for qualifying seniors)

#### **ACADEMIC GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

English	40 credits
Mathematics	30 credits
Social Science	30 credits
Physical Science	10 credits
Life Science	10 credits
World Language or Fine Art	10 credits
Physical Education	20 credits
Health (via Dual Enrollment)	5 credits
Electives	75 credits
TOTAL	230 credits

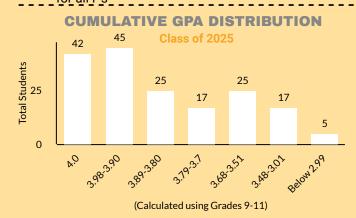
\* Students are **NOT** required to take SAT/ACT or complete community service hours for graduation.

#### **GRADING SYSTEM**

WHS does not rank students or weight GPA

A 90-100 B 80-89 C 70-79 D 65-69 F 64 & below

- All grade point averages are reported using a cumulative, unweighted, 4.0 scale
- Teachers may assign + or grades, however they do not affect GPA
- Remediation is recommended for all D's and required for all F's



#### **ACADEMIC CURRICULUM**

**ENGLISH:** English I – IV Honors, AP English Language, AP English Literature, AP Seminar

MATHEMATICS: Math I, Accelerated Math I Plus Honors, Math II, Math II Plus Honors, AP Statistics, Math III, Math Analysis/Calculus A Honors, AP Calculus AB, AP Calculus BC, Statistical Reasoning

**SOCIAL SCIENCE:** World History/Geography Honors, World History/Geography MUN Honors, AP World History-Modern, U.S. History Honors, AP U.S. History, Civics Honors, Economics Honors, AP Human Geography, Model United Nations (MUN) Independent Study, Law Practicum

**SCIENCE**: Biology Honors, Chemistry CP, Chemistry Honors, AP Chemistry, Physics CP, Physics Honors, Chemistry of Living Systems Honors, AP Physics C; Mechanics, AP Biology, Science and Engineering Practicum

**AP ENROLLMENT** 

**WORLD LANGUAGE:** Chinese I - IV Honors, AP Chinese, Japanese I - IV Honors, AP Japanese Language, Spanish I - IV Honors, AP Spanish Language

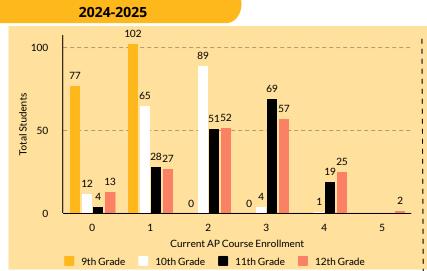
VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS: AP Art History, Symphonic Band, String Orchestra, Digital Art & Communication, Adv. Digital Art & Communication Design, Ceramics I-III, Film/TV Production, Adv Film/Video Production, TV Broadcasting, Digital Photography, Stage Craft, Theater Lab I – III, Dance I, Adv. Dance, Studio Art, Yearbook

**OTHER ELECTIVES:** AP Computer Science Principles, Computer Programming-Artificial Intelligence, AP Psychology

\*Due to Master Schedule restrictions, we are unable to offer a seat to each student qualified to enroll in one of our many popular AP Courses. This applies particularly to seniors who have to chose between AP science courses.

#### **EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

In addition to rigorous academics, Whitney High School sponsors a broad program of co-curricular activities, including: 12 CIF sports, symphonic band, theater productions, pep squad, student government, academic competitive teams, Science & Engineering Practicum, Law Practicum, honor societies, and 50 interest-based clubs and service organizations.



CTE Pathways 2023-2024

PATHWAY	YEAR 1 COURSE	YEAR 2 COURSE	
Computer Science	AP Computer Science	Artificial Intelligence	
Film & TV	Film & TV Production	Advanced Film Production or TV Broadcasting	
Theater	Theater I or Stagecraft I	Theater II	
Digitial Art & Communication	Digital Art & Communication Design	Advanced Digital Art & Communication Design	
Dance	Dance I	Advanced Dance	
1 Seniors Completed 7 Seniors Completed 2 CTE Pathways in 2024			

#### **AP EXAM SCORES: MAY 2024**

## PERCENTAGES FOR AP COURSES OFFERED IN THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

**1,250** 

**573** 

98%

OTAL TESTS STUD

PASS RATE (3+

SUBJECT	TOTAL STUDENTS	PASS RATE
Art History	33	88%
Biology	69	99%
Calculus AB	28	96%
Calculus BC	64	100%
Chemistry	32	100%
Chinese Languag	e 19	90%
Computer Scienc Principles	e 135	99%
English Language	148	97%
English Literatur	e 81	96%
Japanese Langua	ge 20	85%
Physics C: Mecha	nics 48	83%
Psychology	102	100%
Spanish Languag	e 21	100%
Statistics	137	99%
US History	117	100%
World History- Modern	83	98%

## Note the following AP Score Increases

SUBJECT	2023 Pass Rate	2024 Pass Rate
Biology	98%	99%
Chinese Language	87%	90%
Computer Science Principles	95%	99%
English Language	95%	97%
Psychology	98%	100%
Statistics	97%	99%
US History	92%	100%

#### **ACT & SAT EXAM AVERAGES**

ACT AVERAGES | 2023-2024 (22 Test Takers)

32.5
English

31.6 Math 31.9 Reading 30.3 Science



SAT AVERAGE Fall of 2023 (133 Test Takers)







**SAT AVERAGE Spring of 2024 (71 Test Takers)** 



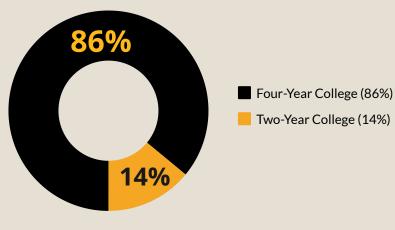
706 Math



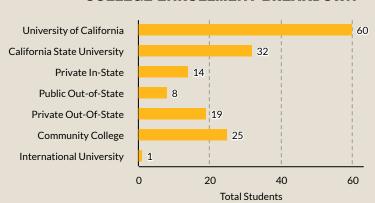
\*Due to COVID-19 test center closures, not all students had the opportunity to sit for a test.

#### **POST-SECONDARY OUTCOMES: CLASS OF 2024**

#### **CLASS OF 2023 COLLEGE ENROLLMENT**



#### **COLLEGE ENROLLMENT BREAKDOWN**



For more college outcomes visit the "College Summary" page under the Counseling tab on our website Whitneyhs.us



# WHITNEY ADMISSIONS

## **6th Grade Admissions Process**

Whitney High School admissions are open only to students residing in ABC Unified School District.



## **Placement Test and Writing Assessment**

All resident 6th-grade students attending ABC Unified Schools have the opportunity to take the Whitney reading and math placement test and 6th-grade writing assessment. Parents may opt their student out of the placement test if they do not want their child to be considered for Whitney High School.



## **Qualifying for Whitney Admissions**

After the scores are compiled from the placement test and writing assessment, students are ranked from high to low based on the composite score. The composite score is based on 70% of the placement test scores in English and Math, and 30% of the writing assessment score. Students who are at or above the 75th percentile, qualify for admission to Whitney.



## **Selection of Students for Offers of Admission by Middle School**

Students are ranked based on their middle school geographic attendance area, and 20 students are selected from each of the five middle schools based on the ranked composite score.



## Selection of Students for Offers of Admission by Elementary School

Students are then ranked by attending elementary school. Two students from each site are offered admission (must qualify for Whitney admissions). The 14 elementary schools with the largest enrollment receive an additional offer of enrollment.



### **Additional Offers of Admission**

Students who reside in the district but do not attend ABC Schools must apply for admission to Whitney and complete a placement test and writing assessment. Ten enrollment spaces are offered for these students. Children of permanent ABC Employees must also complete the application and admissions process. Three enrollment spaces are offered for these students.



### Waitlist for Whitney Admissions

Students are placed on the waitlist in rank order based on the composite score by middle school geographic attendance area. Waitlists are reestablished every year.



### **Questions?**

Please email any questions to whitney.admissions@abcusd.us

For additional information, please visit the "<u>Whitney</u> <u>Admissions</u>" website located on the ABC USD website under the "Schools" tab.