

# SOUTH HILLS HIGH SCHOOL

## School Profile 2024-2025

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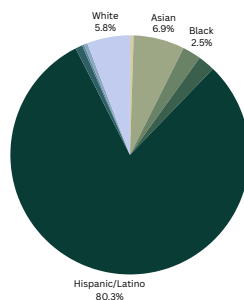
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### Overview

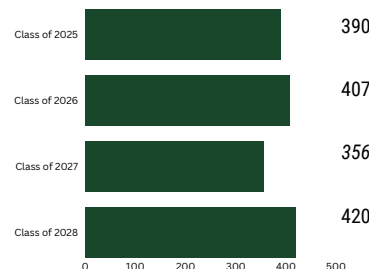
At South Hills, we "show what we know" with a strong focus on instruction, school culture, and a thriving participation in extracurricular activities. We provide a relevant, high quality education that inspires our diverse student body to be prepared for college or career opportunities in a global society. Consequently, our staff is committed to providing all students with necessary skills and knowledge to become lifelong learners, effective communicators, and responsible and productive citizens.

### 2024-2025 Student Body

#### Race/Ethnicity Distribution



#### Total Enrollment: 1575



#### Other Factors



Free/Reduced Lunch: 60%



Special Education: 10%



English Language Learner: 5%

### Curriculum & Graduation Requirements

#### Schedule

School year includes:

- Two semesters comprised of approximately 18 weeks each.
- Typically consists of seven, 54-minute periods, five days per week.
- Students are expected to take 6-7 classes per semester and are allowed to take 5-6 classes during their senior year.

#### Graduation Requirements

220 total credits to graduate

Each semester class is 5 credits and passing grade is "D"

English	40 credits
Math	20 credits
History/Social Science	30 credits
Science	20 credits
Physical Education	20 credits
Fine Art/World Language	10 credits
Electives	80 credits

#### Transcript Designations

p = College Prep  
+ = Honors/AP/IB (non-weighted)  
r = repeated course

#### Grade Reporting

A = 100-90%  
B = 89-80%  
C = 79-70%  
D = 69-60%  
F = Below 60%

- Pluses and minuses do not affect GPA
- Students are ranked according to their Academic GPA on a non-weighted basis at the end of each semester.
- Beginning in the 2019-2022 school year, the math, science and social science departments adopted a "no D" policy, which means that students are scored A, B, C, or F.
- The math department has consistently applied the "no D" policy and students must earn at least a 68% to pass the class. The math department also has a grading policy in which tests and quizzes are worth 80% of the overall grade and classwork/homework/notes are worth 20% of the overall grade.

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## Advanced Course Offerings

### English

Pre-AP English 1H  
Pre-AP English 2H  
AP English Language  
AP English Literature  
IB English Language HL

### Math

Math III/Trig  
AP Precalculus  
AP Calculus AB  
AP Calculus BC  
AP Computer Science A  
IB Math: Applications SL

### History/Social Science

AP Human Geography  
AP World History  
AP US History  
AP American Government  
AP Macroeconomics  
AP Psychology  
IB History of the Americas HL  
IB Business Management SL  
IB Theory of Knowledge

### Visual Arts

IB Visual Art SL/HL  
IB Theater SL

### Science

Pre-AP Biology Honors  
Pre-AP Chemistry Honors  
AP Biology  
AP Chemistry (not available 2024-25)  
AP Physics 1  
AP Environmental Science  
AP Computer Science Principles  
IB Sports Exercise Health Science SL

### World Language

AP Spanish Language  
AP Chinese Language  
IB Spanish SL/HL  
IB Mandarin SL/HL

### Dual Enrollment

We offer dual enrollment classes to seniors through Mt. San Antonio College

#### Fall 2024

**SPCH 1A** - Intro to Public Speaking  
**SOC 5** - Intro to Criminology  
**MATH 110** - Elementary Statistics

#### Spring 2024

**ADJU 1** - Administration of Justice  
**MUS 15** - Rock Music History & Appreciation  
**FIRE 1** - Fire Protection Organization

## Advanced Programs

### Advanced Placement at South Hills

At South Hills, we have an open enrollment policy and allow students to choose their classes, including Honors, AP, and IB courses in order to encourage students to pursue an academically rigorous program. Students enrolled in AP classes are encouraged to take AP exams, but are not required to do so.

Subject	Students 2024	Pass Rate	Students 2023	Pass Rate	Students 2022	Pass Rate
Biology	24	45%	32	44%	19	47%
Calculus AB	77	60%	66	64%	67	48%
Calculus BC	29	52%	40	78%	26	30%
Chemistry	0	NA	7	57%	11	0%
Chinese Language	8	88%	1	100%	9	67%
Computer Science A	4	0%	4	50%	7	0%
Comp Sci Principles	15	27%	4	50%	12	50%
English Language	46	17%	55	42%	102	36%
English Literature	24	88%	62	89%	18	89%
Environmental Science	41	37%	29	41%	27	41%
Human Geography	43	57%	24	75%	17	53%
Macroeconomics	10	50%	20	70%	15	50%
Physics 1	14	36%	8	50%	12	50%
Precalculus	62	61%	NA	NA	NA	NA
Psychology	23	0%	42	26%	32	19%
Spanish Language	27	78%	26	77%	35	80%
US History	88	51%	93	40%	85	34%
World History	130	56%	55	75%	91	58%

### Participation Information

Year	Students Tested	# of Exams	Percent of Exams with Scores of 3 or Higher
2024	468	702	56%
2023	329	571	58%
2022	342	586	45%
2021	362	559	44%
2020	400	629	58%

### International Baccalaureate at South Hills

South Hills High School is the only school that offers the International Baccalaureate program in Covina-Valley Unified School District. South Hills offers students three options through IB: IB Diploma, IB Associates Diploma, or the option to take one or two courses. Students who earn the Associates Diploma must take three to four subjects from the six subject groups. All Associate candidates must also take the Theory of Knowledge (TOK) course and participate in creativity, action, and service (CAS) experiences. South Hills IB students are not required to take IB exams.

Subject	Students 2024	Pass Rate	Students 2023	Pass Rate	Students 2022	Pass Rate
English A HL	113	91%	29	96%	93	88%
Chinese B Mandarin SL	1	100%	0	NA	1	100%
Spanish B HL	7	86%	6	100%	18	94%
Business Management SL	13	77%	12	58%	9	78%
History Americas HL	24	71%	7	86%	31	81%
Biology HL	24	71%	0	NA	7	43%
Sports Exercise Science SL	14	36%	14	21%	8	50%
Math Apps SL	10	30%	11	27%	10	70%
Visual Arts SL	1	0%	1	100%	1	0%



### Participation Information

Year	Students Tested	# of Exams	Percent of Exams with Scores of 4 or Higher	Diplomas Awarded
2024	129	201	70%	3
2023	61	98	70%	2
2022	112	240	82%	6
2021	135	290	88%	16
2020	69	139	80%	6

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## College Enrollment Statistics

**Graduate Study:**  
**442 students in the Class of 2024**

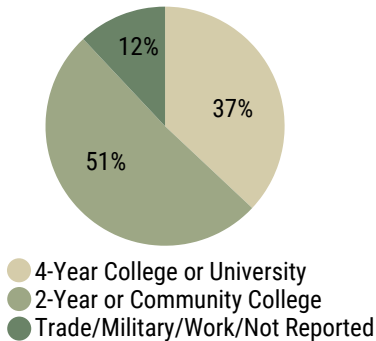
### 4-Year College Geographic Breakdown



### Public vs. Private Universities



### Self Reported Plans Immediately Following High School Graduation



## College Admissions Testing

South Hills participates in the College Board SAT School Day with an administration for all students in the spring of their 11th grade year and in October of 12th grade. Data below reflects the exams given during the senior year. Fewer than 20 students take the ACT each year.

### SAT Participation and Performance

Year	Students Tested	Mean Total Score	Mean ERW Score	Mean Math Score
2022	326	962	490	472
2021	297	985	497	488
2020	61	1101	548	553

## College Matriculation Classes of 2022 - 2024

Arizona State University  
Azusa Pacific University  
California Baptist University  
California State Polytechnic University-Humboldt  
California State Polytechnic University-Pomona  
California State Polytechnic University-SLO  
California State University-Dominguez Hills  
California State University-Fresno  
California State University-Fullerton  
California State University-Long Beach  
California State University-Los Angeles  
California State University-San Bernardino  
California State University-San Marcos  
Carleton College  
Citrus College  
Clemson University  
Concordia University-Irvine  
Cumberland University  
CUNY Brooklyn College  
CUNY Queens College  
Friends University  
George Washington University  
Grand Canyon University  
Hope International University  
Johns Hopkins University  
Loyola Marymount University  
Mount Saint Mary's University  
Mt. San Antonio College  
Multnomah University  
New York University  
Northern Arizona University  
Otis College of Art and Design

Pace University  
Pasadena City College  
Pepperdine University  
Point Loma Nazarene University  
Portland State University  
Rio Hondo College  
San Diego State University  
San Francisco State University  
San Jose State University  
Soka University of America  
Southern Oregon University  
University of Arizona  
University of California-Berkeley  
University of California-Davis  
University of California-Irvine  
University of California-Los Angeles  
University of California-Merced  
University of California-Riverside  
University of California-San Diego  
University of California-Santa Barbara  
University of California-Santa Cruz  
University of Colorado Boulder  
University of La Verne  
University of Oregon  
University of San Diego  
University of San Francisco  
University of Southern California  
University of Texas-San Antonio  
University of Utah  
Vanguard University of Southern California  
Whittier College  
Woodbury University

## Programs & Pathways



### CTE Pathways

South Hills students are encouraged to complete a CTE pathway and we have several excellent options available, including: Culinary Arts, Business, Digital Photography, Theater, Chorus, Medical Assisting, and Sports Medicine



### Visual & Performing Arts

South Hills students have many ways to meaningfully engage in the arts. Pathways and individual classes are available in art appreciation, dance, theater, digital photography, chorus, and ceramics.



### Wellness

Students enrolled in the Peer Counseling classes are trained to counsel and support their peers through our Wellness Center. The South Hills Wellness Center is a safe and comfortable space providing students with access to resources to support their mental health and well-being.



### Clubs and Activities

Allowing opportunities for students to get involved on campus is a big priority and we have over 60 student run clubs, including service clubs, academic clubs, activism clubs as many special interest clubs.



### Student Leadership

The Associated Student Body is made up of over 70 student leaders who promote academic success as well as student engagement through meaningful activities and events on campus.



### Technology

All South Hills students are issued a district laptop at the start of each school year.