



Santa Maria High School

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School Profile

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COMMUNITY

Santa Maria High School is located halfway between San Francisco and Los Angeles, on the Central Coast of California in the Santa Maria Valley. Santa Maria has a population of approximately 110,000 residents. It is a small urban community, in a rural agricultural area.

SCHOOL OVERVIEW

Santa Maria High School is a comprehensive high school (grades 9-12) offering a full college preparatory program in core subject areas, visual/performing arts, and international languages as well as four career technical education departments to serve the student body. Santa Maria High School was awarded a six-year accreditation from the Western Association of Schools and Colleges in 2019.

Santa Maria High School has a robust agriculture and Future Farmers of America (FFA) program. Santa Maria FFA is the largest program in the state of California. During the 2020-2021 school year, the program had ten agriculture teachers who served 1,087 students. The Agriculture Department offers five agriculture pathways to their students. Each student in the agriculture program is a member of the California and National FFA Organization. This provides students with numerous opportunities to attend leadership development events and gain hands-on industry experiences. Students are able to develop leadership and entrepreneurial skills, public speaking experience and personal growth. They are also able to raise, show and sell livestock at our local county fair. In September of 2021, the Santa Maria High School Agriculture Education Program was voted best in the state according to the California Agriculture Teacher's Association.

2023-2024 STUDENT DISTRIBUTION	
BY ETHNIC CODE	
TOTAL ENROLLMENT	3,049
HISPANIC/LATINO	96.4%
AMERICAN INDIAN OR ALASKAN NATIVE	.38%
ASIAN	.35%
PACIFIC ISLANDER	0%
FILIPINO	.7%
BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN	.09%
WHITE	1.8%

NOTE: This information will meet MINIMUM graduation requirements only. Students who are planning to continue on to a four year college will be required to pursue a more rigorous sequence of courses in English, Math, Science, Social Studies, Foreign Language, and arts.

ACADEMIC SCHOLAR DIPLOMA SEAL

The Board of Education encourages students to take academically challenging courses and to go beyond the minimum local and State graduation requirements. To recognize students who avail themselves of this academically enriched course of study, the Board of Education will bestow the Academic Scholar Diploma Seal to those students enrolled at the comprehensive high schools who have successfully completed the following requirements:

1. Achievement of a cumulative grade point average (non weighted) of 3.5 or above from the beginning of the ninth grade year to the end of the first semester and/or second term of their senior year.
2. Completion of the minimum University of California (A-G) requirements for college admission.
3. Completion of 230 or more credits.

SCHOOL DEMOGRAPHICS

Santa Maria High School is home to over 3,000 students, 172 credentialed faculty, and 97 classified support staff. Over 86% of students are socioeconomically disadvantaged, 16% are experiencing homelessness, and 21.2% are English Learners.

Students are able to participate in over thirty-five clubs/organizations, seventeen sports, Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID), Early Academic Outreach Program (EAOP), Migrant Education Program, Associated Student Body (ASB), and Link Crew.

MINIMUM GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS	
ENGLISH	40 UNITS
SOCIAL STUDIES	30 UNITS
SCIENCE	20 UNITS
MATH (INCLUDING 10 UNITS OF ALGEBRA OR 20 UNITS OF 2-YEAR ALGEBRA)	20 UNITS
HEALTH	5 UNITS
FOREIGN LANGUAGE, CTE COURSE, OR VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS	10 UNITS
P.E.	20 UNITS
ELECTIVES	75 UNITS
TOTAL	220 UNITS

CLASS OF 2023	
GRADUATION RATES	
Students who met University of California A-G Requirements	216
Students who did not meet the University of California A-G Requirements (standard diploma)	371
Special Education Certificates of Completion	10
Non-Graduating Students	17
Class Total	614

ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES
Calculus AB
English Language & Composition
English Literature & Composition
Macroeconomics
Physics 1: Algebra Based (Semester 1 only)
Spanish Language & Culture
Spanish Literature & Culture
United States Government and Politics
World History
UC APPROVED HONORS COURSES
Advanced Interdisciplinary Science for Sustainable Ag
English 2

GRADING SCALE

A (90% - 100%)	Outstanding Achievement
B (80% - 89%)	Above Average Achievement
C (70% - 79%)	Average Achievement
D (60% - 69%)	Below Average Achievement
F (0 – 59%)	Little or No Achievement
I Incomplete* [AR5121]	*If for some extraordinary reason, a student is unable to complete a class (i.e., poor health), the student may receive an “Incomplete.” The student must complete the work by the end of the first 6-weeks of the following term, or the “Incomplete” will turn into an “F” grade.

GPA CALCULATION

The GPA is the total average of grade point earned by a student. Points are assigned to each letter grade:

According to the University of California guidelines, an extra point is given for Honors (H) and Advanced Placement (AP) classes for 11th and 12th graders only. Tenth grade students may receive the extra point if they take junior or senior Honors or AP classes, but only for calculating their high school GPA. This will not be included in the UC system GPA calculation.

- A = 4
- B = 3
- C = 2
- D = 1
- F = 0
- A = 5 for Honors and AP Courses
- B = 4 for Honors and AP Courses
- C = 3 for Honors and AP Courses

ALLAN HANCOCK COLLEGE DUAL ENROLLMENT COURSES	
AG 155:	INTRO MECHANIZED AGRICULTURE
AG 156:	INTRO TO ENVIRONMENTAL HORTICULTURE
AG 158:	AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS
BUS 101:	INTRODUCTION TO BUSINESS
ENTR 101:	INTRO TO ENTREPRENEURSHIP
FRCH 101:	ELEMENTARY FRENCH
FRCH 102:	ELEMENTARY FRENCH II
HIST 107:	U.S. HISTORY TO 1877
HIST 108:	U.S. HISTORY 1877 TO PRESENT
PHYS 100:	CONCEPTS IN PHYSICS
POLS 103:	AMERICAN GOVERNMENT
PROD 301:	INTRO TO LIFE AND CAREER PLANNING
WLDT 106:	BEGINNING WELDING

DUAL ENROLLMENT

Santa Maria High School students have the opportunity to take a variety of college level courses on the high school campus from our local community college, Allan Hancock College. Allan Hancock College is the only community college serving the Santa Maria Valley and its surrounding areas. The college credit earned is added to students' Santa Maria High School transcript and the student is given an additional grade point if they earn a C- or above.