



# CASTRO VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

## 2020-21 SCHOOL PROFILE

### Principal

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Castro Valley Unified School District

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### SCHOOL

A comprehensive, 9-12 public high school located in an unincorporated suburban community in the San Francisco Bay Area.

- A California Distinguished School in 2009
- Enrollment: 2730
- Class of 2020: 695 students
- Accreditation (through 2024): Western Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges
- School Year: Two Semesters
- School Day: Six periods of coursework, with a seventh period available to a limited number of students
- Ethnic Makeup: 27.60% White (non-Hispanic), 26.15% Asian (non-Hispanic), 22.83% Hispanic/Latino, 13.85% Multi-Ethnic (non-Hispanic), 5.28% African American, 3.77% Filipino (Non-Hispanic), 0.30% Pacific Islander (non-Hispanic), 0.22% Native American/Alaskan.

### FACULTY

The teaching faculty includes approximately 128 teachers. Students are assigned to counselors based on last names:

#### Counselors:

Gisela Sandoval

Anne Van Court

Portia Atcherson

Kory He

Alma de la Rosa-Martin

Amanda Maloney

Raul Rodriguez

Allison Zuckerbrow

#### Extension

x3821

x3824

x3808

x3819

x3830

x3812

x3827

x3842

#### Caseload:

A - Cab & PUENTE Project

Cag - Gal

Gan - Klee & AVID

Kline - Matt & EL

Maty - Roc

Rod - Vil

Vin - Z & CVVA Hybrid

College & Career Counselor

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### GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students must earn 230 credits to graduate, five credits per semester for courses completed with a grade of "D" or better. Credits must include:

English	40 credits	Physical Education	20 credits
Career/Technical Education	10 credits	Visual & Performing Arts	10 credits
Health	5 credits	Social Science	35 credits
Electives	70 credits	Science(10 Life Sci/10 Phys Sci)	20 credits
Mathematics	20 credits (must include Algebra/Integrated Math 1)		

### GRADING SYSTEM

The traditional grades of A, B, C, D, and F are used in all classes with grade points of 4, 3, 2, 1 and 0 awarded respectively. An additional grade point is awarded for Advanced Placement and Honors courses. All course work from grade nine through the first semester of twelve is used to determine (weighted) **rank in class which is provided by Decile**. Seniors are recognized for obtaining Honors (3.50 – 3.74), High Honors (3.75 – 3.99) and Highest Honors (4.0 and above).

### 2019-20 COVID-19 Impact:

CVHS was closed from March 16, 2020, through the end of the school year due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During this time, instruction was delivered via Distance Learning, and Credit/No Credit grades were used for Semester 2 and summer school. Credit/No Credit grades are not factored into the overall GPA.

## ADVANCED, HONORS AND AP COURSES

For 9th and 10th graders, AP/Honors classes are very limited. These courses may require an application, teacher recommendation and/or the completion of an entrance examination or prerequisite coursework (*Honors and AP courses are weighted*).

### Advanced:

Advanced Auto  
Advanced Ceramics  
Advanced Chemistry  
Advanced Graphic Design  
Advanced Integrated Math 3  
Advanced Journalism  
Advanced Photography  
Advanced Studio Art  
Advanced Theater

### Honors:

Honors Afrocentric American Literature  
Honors Afrocentric US History  
Honors American Literature  
Honors American Sign Language  
Honors Madrigals  
Honors Physics  
Honors Pre Calculus  
Honors Spanish 4

### Advanced Placement:

AP Art History  
AP Biology  
AP Calculus AB  
AP Calculus BC  
AP Chemistry  
AP Computer Science  
AP English Literature  
AP Environmental Science  
AP European History  
AP French Language  
AP German Language  
AP Japanese Language  
AP Mandarin (Chinese Language and Culture)  
AP Microeconomics/AP Macroeconomics  
AP Spanish Language and Culture  
AP Statistics  
AP Studio Art: Drawing  
AP United States History

## Special Programs:



AVID for Higher Education (AHE) works with two-year and four-year colleges and universities to implement a holistic approach to accelerating student success.



English Language Learner (ELL) Program: ELLs are taught academic content in English by content licensed teachers. The English language used for instruction is adapted to the proficiency level of the students.



The PUENTE Project is a UC sponsored national award-winning program that has helped tens of thousands of educationally disadvantaged students enroll in four-year colleges and universities, earn degrees, and return to the community as leaders and mentors to future generations.

**College & Career Pathways:** small student learning communities around high-demand, high-income industries. Pathways combine college-preparatory curriculum with a career theme, emphasizing skills that are necessary for success in college, postsecondary training, and the workplace. Pathways also collaborate with local colleges to develop avenues for students to begin earning college credit through their high school studies.

- **The Drama, Art & Design Academy (DADA)** is one of the few ways for a student to take four full years that allows students to explore the fields of interest.
- **Engineering Pathway**, is a unique four-year program which provides students with the foundational knowledge necessary for post-secondary studies and careers in engineering.
- The **Health and Biotechnology (HABiT) Pathway** is a four-year college preparatory program for students with an interest in careers such as nursing, EMT, pharmacology, physical therapy, forensics, dentistry, veterinary medicine, sports medicine, occupational therapy, and bioinformatics.
- The **Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Pathway** provides students opportunities to explore information and communication technologies applicable in high-wage, high-skill, high-growth industries.

## SAT / ACT Mean Test Scores 2019-2020

Most test centers in our area have been closed since March 2020; therefore, very few students in Class of 2021 have taken either test.

### **SAT**

# of Students	Writing	Math
43	627	651

### **ACT**

# of Students	English	Math	Reading	Science	Composite
14	28.8	28.2	28.6	27.2	28.4

## COLLEGE ACCEPTANCE

Castro Valley High School graduates have been accepted to a broad range of colleges and universities. The Class of 2020 self-reported that 41% of its members will attend a four-year college and that 23% plan to attend a two year or vocational school (68% of seniors reported). Students at our high school attend Ivy League Universities, Universities of California, California State Universities, private universities, out of state colleges, California Community Colleges, vocational schools, the military and apprenticeship programs to obtain their post-graduate plans for the Class of 2016 through 2020.