



Pacific Grove High School: 2023/2024 School Profile

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OUR VISION

Pacific Grove High School (PGHS) aims to cultivate culturally aware, employable, healthy, active students who are eager learners, conscientious digital citizens, environmental stewards, and effective communicators.

COMMUNITY PROFILE

PGHS is located on the Monterey Peninsula in the small coastal city of Pacific Grove, California. PGHS serves students in grades 9-12+ who reside in the Pacific Grove Unified School District. PGUSD provides high-quality public education to all students in Pacific Grove and parts of the neighboring town of Pebble Beach. Pacific Grove covers a 2.86 square mile area and has a population of approximately 14,791. Pacific Grove's local military community and tourist-based industries attract families with varied cultural backgrounds.

OUR STUDENTS

- PGHS has a total enrollment of 518 students: 129 Freshmen, 126 Sophomores, 154 Juniors, 107 Seniors, and 8 Transition students.
- The reported ethnicity of our students is White 70%, Hispanic 19%, Asian 11%, African American 3%, Pacific Islander 1%, Other/Declined to State 10%. *Discrepancy in total percentage is due to ability to report 2 or more ethnicities.
- Approximately 17% of PGHS students qualify for Free/Reduced Price Benefits for National School Lunch Program.

ACCREDITATION

PGHS is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC).

SCHOOL STRUCTURE

PGHS operates on a two-semester, modified-block system. Freshmen are required to take a minimum of seven classes. Sophomores and Juniors are required to take a minimum of six classes. Seniors are required to take a minimum of five classes. Five credits are earned for successful completion of each semester of a course.

GRADING SYSTEM

- PGHS GPA is calculated using a 4.0 scale.
- PGHS transcripts list both unweighted and weighted GPAs.
- +/-'s are not included in the grading rubric for unweighted or weighted GPA.
- Weighted GPA includes all Honors, AP, and Dual Enrollment courses taken in grades 9-12.

CLASS RANK

- PGHS does not report class rank.
- PGHS grade distribution information is provided to add context to student reported GPA.

GRADE DISTRIBUTION CLASS OF 2023 Class size: 128		
GPA Range	#Students Unweighted	#Students Weighted
4.00+	6	31
3.75-3.99	20	18
3.50-3.74	22	16
3.00-3.49	43	30
2.50-2.99	28	24
2.49-below	9	9

AP TESTING MAY 2022
173 students took 281 tests
26% received a score of 5
78% received a score of 3 or higher

GPA CALCULATION		
	College Prep Courses	AP and Honors Courses
A	4	5
B	3	4
C	2	3
D	1	1
F	0	0

POST-GRADUATE PLACEMENT		
4-Year College	48 students	38%
2-Year College	75 students	59%
Other	5 students	3%

AP COURSES OFFERED YEARLY	
2D Art & Design: 2D, 3D, or Drawing	Environmental Science
2D Art & Design: Photography	French Language & Culture
American Government & Politics	World History
Calculus AB	Spanish Language and Culture
English Language	US History
English Literature	Calculus BC

AP COURSES OFFERED IN VARYING YEARS
Computer Science A: 2022-23, 2020-21, 2019-20
Statistics: 2020-21, 2019-20
Physics C: Mechanics: 2021-22, 2019-20
Psychology: 2021-22, 2019-20

- AP courses are offered based on minimum student enrollment.

HONORS COURSES	
English 1	Integrated Math 2
English 2	Integrated Math 3
English 3	Chemistry
2D Portfolio	3D Portfolio

CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION (CTE) PATHWAYS
Design & Media Arts: Art
Design & Media Arts: Photography
Food Service & Hospitality
Software & Support Systems
Engineering

DUAL ENROLLMENT

- PGHS offers Monterey Peninsula College (MPC) Dual Enrollment courses in Culinary Arts, Computer Science, Engineering, and Photography on our high school campus.
- Students also take a wide variety of other MPC college classes at the local campus for Dual Enrollment credit.
- PGHS adds an additional point to the GPA for Dual Enrollment classes of 3 or more credits with a grade of C- or higher.

ATHLETICS

Baseball (Boys), Basketball, Cheer, Cross Country, Dance Team, Football (Boys), Golf, Lacrosse (Boys), Soccer, Softball (Girls), Swimming, Tennis, Track and Field, Volleyball (Girls), Water Polo, and Wrestling.

PGHS GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS	
History/Social Science	40 Credits
English	40 credits
Mathematics	20 credits
Science	20 credits
Language Other than English	10 credits of LOTE or VAPA
Visual and Performing Arts	10 credits of VAPA or LOTE
Electives	80 credits
Physical Education	20 credits
Minimum grade for credit	"D-" Grade
Credits required for graduation	230 credits
Community Service	48 hours See COVID-19 RESPONSE

In compliance with California Assembly Bill 104, all PGHS students had the option to request Pass/No Pass grades for the 2020-21 school year.

PGHS LEADERSHIP

Lito M. Garcia, Principal
Larry Haggquist, Assistant Principal

COUNSELORS & SUPPORT STAFF

Kristin Paris, Counselor Grades 11 & 12
Margaret Rice, Counselor Grades 9 & 10
James Ehret, Outreach Counselor
Audrey Cordova, Mental Health Therapist
Janet Light, College & Career Center Technician
Johanna Biondi, Registrar

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COVID-19 RESPONSE

For the 2020-2021 school year, PGHS transitioned to a Block Schedule format with one set of 5-credit courses offered in Quarters 1 and 3 and another set of 5-credit courses offered in Quarters 2 and 4. Courses were offered exclusively online through the end of the third quarter. Students were allowed to transition to a hybrid schedule for the fourth quarter of the 2020-2021 school year.

Our community service requirements of 48 hours were waived for the Class of 2021. Classes of 2022, 2023, and 2024 will need 36 hours of community service to earn their high school diploma.