DANA HILLS HIGH SCHOOL
2021-2022 SCHOOL PROFILE
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MISSION STATEMENT

At Dana Hills High School (DHHS), our mission is to guide all learners toward college and career readiness in a safe, inclusive, and diverse environment. As a school filled with incredible tradition, our strong foundation has developed amazing educational programs, exceptional staff and distinguished academic achievements. We strive to be a place that inspires and connects with all learners, experiences and lives. We pride ourselves on collaborating with families and our community as we prepare our students for a successful future.

COMMUNITY PROFILE

Dana Hills High School exemplifies a commitment to a challenging and comprehensive curriculum that prepares students for the world beyond high school. Located near the ocean in picturesque Dana Point, the school opened in 1973, and currently has an enrollment of about 2,100 students in grades 9-12. DHHS serves the communities of Dana Point, Laguna Niguel and San Juan Capistrano. The area is largely residential and a majority of families are middle to upper-middle class, college-educated and professional or semi-professional. A number of parents are non-fluent English speakers, reflecting the diversity of our student population.

2021-22 STUDENT BODY

Student Ethnicity	
White	56.46%
Hispanic/Latino	31.55%
Asian	2.63%
African American	0.59%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.15%
Pacific Islander	0.15%
Multi-ethnic	7.36%
Filipino	1.12%

- **51.0%** Male, **48.9%** Female

- **4.8%** English Language Learners

- **24%** Free and Reduced Lunch

2021-22 ENROLLMENT: 2,030

Class of 2022	498
Class of 2023	564
Class of 2024	496
Class of 2025	472

ACADEMIC & GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

The school year is 180 days long and consists of two semesters. Each class meets 3 times a week with a modified bell/block schedule. Students earn 5 credits per class per semester. Freshmen and sophomores are required to take a minimum of six classes. Juniors and seniors may take a minimum of five classes if they meet credit requirements. A total of between 210-220 credits are required for graduation.

English	40 Credits
Social Science	30 Credits
Mathematics	30 Credits
Science	20 Credits
Physical Education	20 Credits
Fine Arts/World Language	10 Credits
Health (Classes of 2022, 23 and 25 only)	5 Credits
Electives	55 Credits

DHHS offers a curriculum that covers a range of college preparatory, technology and performing arts. Students also have access to the College & Career Advantage (CCA) Program offering career and technical education classes. More than fifty different course offerings are available within 15 career pathways. DHHS also provides two unique and competitive Academies. The Health & Medical Occupations (HMO) is a state funded academy designed for students who want to pursue a career in the health field. The South Orange County School of the Arts (SOCSA) is a visual and performing arts academy for students who have special interests for creativity.

GPA & ACADEMIC RECOGNITION

District high school students are ranked by decile instead of by individual number. Semester grade point averages (GPA) are computed using the following numerical value:

A = 4; B = 3; C = 2; D = 1; F = 0

For Honors and Advanced Placement courses, grade points are awarded according to the following values:

A = 5; B = 4; C = 3; D = 1; F = 0

Physical Education classes are not counted in the computation of the academic GPA with the exception of determining eligibility for athletics. A repeated class, indicated by an "r " on the transcript does not receive additional credit. The higher grade is used in computing the GPA.

ACADEMIC GPA DISTINCTION: CLASS OF 2021

- 2.0 and below 12.0%
- 2.0-2.49 8.4%
- 2.5-2.99 11.6%
- 3.0-3.49 17.3%
- 3.5-3.99 24.8%
- 4.0 & above 25.9%
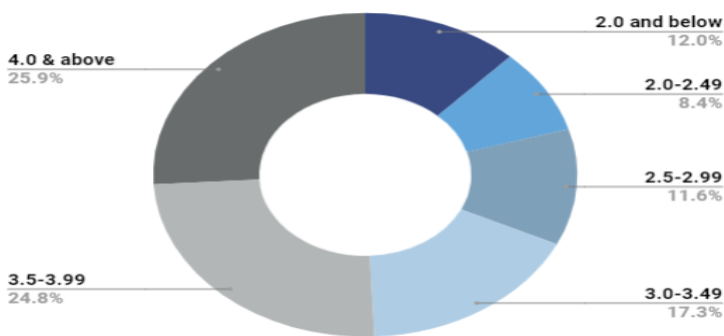
HONORS & AWARDS

Class of 2021	
Valedictorian	145
Academic Distinction	119
Seal of Biliteracy	66

Scholar of Scholars	Highest cumulative academic GPA
Valedictorian	Cumulative academic GPA ≥ 4.0
Academic Distinction	Cumulative academic GPA 3.5-3.99
Seal of Biliteracy	Passed a world language level four or higher course with a 3.0 or higher grade and demonstrated proficiency in English Language Arts
Achievement Awards	Nominated annually by teachers within department
Principal's Honor Roll	Semester GPA ≥ 3.5
Superintendent's Honor Roll	Semester GPA ≥ 3.85

COLLEGE AND CAREER ADVANTAGE (CCA)

Some CCA courses offered are designated as honors and given a weighted GPA. CCA articulated courses offer high school students the opportunity to earn community college credit and high school graduation credit.   More about these courses can be found at https://cca-capousd-ca.schoolloop.com/

ATHLETICS

Dana Hills High School fields 25 CIF sports from freshman to varsity levels. Athletic teams participate in South Coast and Sea View Leagues.

- *Fall Sports:* Cross Country (Boys' & Girls'); Football; Girls' Golf; Surf; Girls' Tennis; Girls' Volleyball; Boys' Water Polo
- *Winter Sports:* Basketball (Boys' & Girls'); Soccer (Boys' & Girls'); Girls' Water Polo; Wrestling
- *Spring Sports:* Baseball; Boys' Golf; Boys' Tennis; Lacrosse (Boys' & Girls'); Softball; Swimming (Boys' & Girls'); Track & Field (Boys' & Girls'); Boys' Volleyball

CO-CURRICULAR PROGRAMS & CLUBS

Co-curricular programs offered at Dana Hills High School include: Associated Student Union (ASU), instrumental music, drama, vocal music, dance, marching band, pep squad, journalism and yearbook programs. The school's yearbook and newspaper have received national recognition every year. Students are also involved in Science Olympiad, National Math Competition, Dolphin Ambassadors, International Thespian Honor Society, National Honor Society, California Scholarship Federation and AVID. DHHS also has over 65 clubs including:

American Red Cross	Improv Club
Amigos Unidos	Innovation for Change
Animal Rescue Fundraising	Interact Club
Anime Club	Key Club
Autism Speaks	Nintendo Club
Anime Club	Robotics
Best Buddies	DHHS Safe Rides
Big Brothers Big Sisters	Science Club
Cinema Club	Surfrider Foundation
Cleaner Planet Initiative	Team NEGU
Drama Club	True North Christian
French Club	Ultimate Frisbee
Gay/Straight Alliance	Unicef

TESTING DATA & ADVANCED COURSES

AP TESTING: 2021

20 AP courses offered in 2020-21

475 students took an AP Exam

835 exams were administered

75.6% of students scored a 3 or higher

75 total AP Scholars with Distinction

AP PASS RATE BY SUBJECT

SUBJECT	PASS RATE	STUDENTS
Art History	77.8%	18
Biology	69.0%	42
Calculus AB	97.2%	36
Calculus BC	92.9%	28
Chemistry	66.0%	47
Computer Science A	78.6%	14
English Lang & Comp	78.2%	110
English Lit & Comp	74.5%	47
Environmental Science	62.3%	53
European History	67.2%	62
French Lang & Culture	50%	2
Physics C: Mechanics	92.6%	27
Music Theory	50%	6
Psychology	73.7%	19
Spanish Lang & Culture	89.5%	19
Spanish Lit & Culture	Not	Offered
Statistics	77.8%	18
Studio Art 2D Design	93.3%	15
US Gov & Politics	94.5%	109
US History	56.7%	104
World History	55.6%	54

- **18.9%** of the Class of 2021 took at least one AP exam

- **60.8%** of the Class of 2021 was enrolled in at least one AP Course during the 2020-21 school year

- **65.4%** of the Class of 2022 is currently enrolled in at least one AP course during the 2021-22 school year

ADVANCED PLACEMENT SCHOLARS

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
National	N/A	15	14	16	16
w/Distinction	75	101	99	101	107
w/Honors	33	53	56	50	49
Scholar	69	68	97	121	106

SAT & ACT SCORES (2020-21 MEAN SCORES)

SAT	ACT
126 students tested	213 students tested
Avg. Reading: 609	Avg. Composite: 26.4
Avg. Mathematics: 619	Eng: 27.2 Math: 25.5
	Sci: 25.5 Rd: 26.8

NATIONAL MERIT RECOGNITION

	2021	2020	2019
Finalist	2	N/A	1
Semifinalist	2	1	2
Commended	7	5	15

HONORS COURSE OFFERINGS (27)

Honors English I and II, HMO	Biotechnology
Honors Algebra II / Trig, HMO	Digital Video Production/Adv
Honors Pre-Calculus, HMO	Actors Repertory
Honors Biology, HMO	Stagecraft
Honors Chemistry, HMO	Digital Photography
Honors Anatomy/Physiology, HMO	Theatrical Production
HMO Medical Core	Honors World History, HMO
HMO Medical Hospital Career	Honors World History TWI
Honors Marine Ecology	Physical Therapy Aide
Forensics	Multimedia Design

ADVANCED PLACEMENT OFFERINGS (18)

AP Lang/Composition	AP US History	AP Spanish IV
AP Literature/Comp	AP Gov/Econ	AP Spanish V
AP Statistics	AP Biology	AP Art History
AP Calculus AB	AP Chemistry	AP Psychology
AP Calculus BC	AP Environmental Science	
AP World History	AP Physics C	
AP European History	AP French IV	

COLLEGE MATRICULATION

Bold denotes 2020 attendance

Air Force Academy	Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising	**Rockhurst University**	**University of Kansas**
American University DC	Fordham University	**Sacramento State University**	**University of Manchester**
Arizona State University	Fort Lewis College	**Saddleback College**	University of Massachusetts
Art Center College of Design	Franklin University, Switzerland	**San Diego Mesa College**	University of Miami
Azusa Pacific University	**George Mason University**	**Santa Barbara City College**	**University of Michigan**
Belmont University	George Washington University	Santa Clara University	**University of Minnesota, Twin Cities**
Biola University	Gordon College	**School of the Art Institute of Chicago**	University of Nebraska
Boise State University	**Grand Canyon University**	**School of Visual Arts**	University of Nevada, Las Vegas
Boston College	Harvard University	Seattle University	University of New Mexico
Boston University	Harvey Mudd College	**Southern Methodist University**	University of North Dakota
Brigham Young University	Hawaii Pacific University	St. Edward's University	**University of North Texas**
Brown University	**Hofstra University**	St. Olaf College	**University of Notre Dame**
California Baptist University	Indiana University	Stanbridge University	**University of Oklahoma**
California Polytechnic University, Pomona	**Irvine Valley College**	Stanford University	**University of Oregon**
California Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo	Johnson and Wales University	**Syracuse University**	**University of Pacific**
California State University, Bakersfield	Kent State University	Texas A&M University	**University of Pittsburgh**
California State University, Channel Islands	Laguna College of Art and Design	**Texas Christian University**	**University of Portland**
California State University, Chico	Loma Linda University	Townson University	**University of Roehampton**
California State University, Dominguez Hills	**Long Beach City College**	Transylvania University	**University of San Diego**
California State University, Fullerton	**Loyola Marymount University**	Trinity College	University of San Francisco
California State University, Humboldt	**Loyola University, Chicago**	**Tulane University**	**University of Southern California**
California State University, Long Beach	Marquette University	United States Air Force Academy	**University of Tennessee, Knoxville**
California State University, Los Angeles	**Michigan State University**	**United State Coast Guard**	University of the Pacific
California State University, Maritime	Molloy College	Universidad de Salamanca	**University of Utah**
California State University, Monterey Bay	Montana State University	**University of Alabama**	University of Victoria, Canada
California State University, San Diego	New Jersey Institute of Technology	**University of Arizona**	**University of Virginia**
California State University, San Francisco	New Mexico Highlands University	**University of Barcelona**	**University of Washington**
California State University, San Jose	**New York University**	**University of California, Berkeley**	**University of Wisconsin, Madison**
California State University, San Marcos	**Northern Arizona University**	**University of California, Davis**	Utah State University
California State University, Sonoma	**Northeastern University**	**University of California, Irvine**	Utah Valley University
California State University, Stanislaus	**Northwestern University**	**University of California, Los Angeles**	Valley Forge Military Academy
Central Washington University	Occidental College	**University of California, Merced**	**Vanguard University**
Chapman University	**Ohio State University**	**University of California, Riverside**	Villanova University
Clemson University	**Oregon State University**	**University of California, San Diego**	Virginia Tech University
Colorado State University	**Paul Mitchell The School**	**University of California, Santa Barbara**	**Washington State University**
Columbia University	**Penn State University**	**University of California, Santa Cruz**	Washington University, St. Louis
Concordia University, Irvine	**Pepperdine University**	University College London	**Weber State University**
Cornell University	**Point Loma Nazarene University**	**University of Colorado, Boulder**	**Western Oregon University**
Creighton University	**Portland State University**	**University of Colorado, Colorado Springs**	**Western Washington University**
Dartmouth University	**Princeton University**	University of Delaware	Westmont College
DePaul University	**Providence Christian College**	University of Denver	Whittier College
Dixie State University	**Purdue University**	**University of Hawaii at Manoa**	**William Jessup University**
Drake University	Reed College	**University of Idaho**	Woffard College
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University	**Rice University**	**University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign**	Yale University

COLLEGE ENROLLMENT STATS: CLASS OF 2021*

- Other (i.e. Job) 3.4%
- Military 1.5%
- 4-Year University 46.4%
- Community College 48.4%
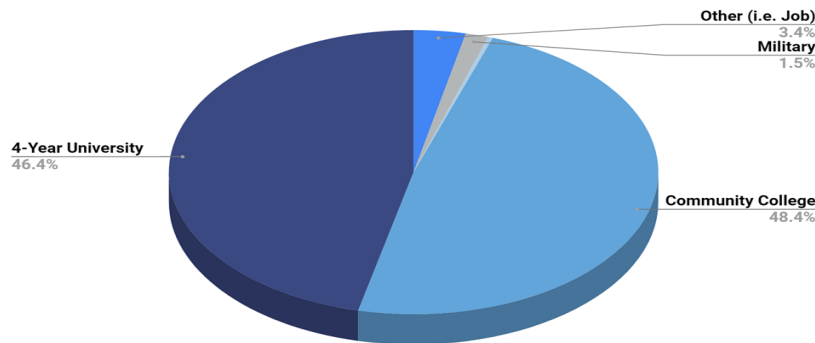
Percentage is based on number of surveys completed, not senior enrollment

4-Year University Stats

Out-of-State Colleges: 29.3%

Public 17.7%	Private 11.6%

In-State Colleges: 42.8%

Public 31.2%	Private 11.6%

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