



Sir Francis Drake High School

A California Distinguished School

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School Profile 2012-13

Established 1951, Grades 9-12

Accredited by Western Association of Schools & Colleges

Fall 2012 Enrollment: 985 CEEB Code: 052770

9th - 263 10th - 234 11th - 240 12th - 248

Web Site: <http://www.tamdistrict.org/drake>

Campus Drake High School is situated on a 21 acre campus, traversed by two year-round creeks. Drake was the District's second high school to open in 1951 and is located on the former Cordone Gardens property. A \$21 million dollar school bond which passed in 2001 modernized infrastructures, classrooms, computer labs, locker rooms, and athletic fields. Modernized facilities include photography, ceramics and drawing studios, engineering classroom, and computer labs. Athletic fields were improved in the summer of 2004 and new swimming pool opened in 2008. New science classrooms have been added to meet increased demand. Every classroom has at least one networked computer available for student and teacher use. Specialized facilities include a theater, video production studio, and five computer labs. A new digital learning lab was opened in 2012. A spacious, modern library provides extensive text and computer resources.

Extracurricular Program At Drake High we believe in a strong connection between a student's activities/athletics program and a student's academic success. Athletic teams for girls and boys include soccer, volleyball, football, tennis, water polo, cross-country, basketball, wrestling, track and field, softball, baseball, swimming and diving, golf, lacrosse, mountain biking and sailing. Spirit leaders and dance troupe add to the great spirit at Drake and an active student government provides a variety of student programs and activities as well as service to the community. Students pursue individual interests in many organized clubs and internships.

Course Offerings Drake's curriculum emphasizes a college preparatory program but provides for all levels of ability and interest. Course offerings range from Advanced Placement and Honors classes to academic support for those who need extra help. All 9th grade students are enrolled in small learning communities. Eleventh and 12th grade students may choose a traditional curriculum or an integrated, project-based program. The project-based programs are two-year, blended 11th & 12 graders, in three academies – Communications, Engineering, and Environmental Science.

Scholastic Excellence

California High School Exit Exam				
Year	Tested-Math	Math-Passed	ELA-Tested	ELA-Passed
2011-12	246	229 - 93%	244	233 - 95%

SAT 1: Reasoning Test					
	Grade 12 Enrolled	Number Tested	Critical Reading	Math Average	Writing Average
Drake	251	202 - 80.48%	574	558	575
California	486,549	184,627 - 37.95%	495	513	494

Advanced Placement Examinations			
Year	Enrolled	Tests Given	Scored 3 or Higher
2012	228	305	242 - 79.3%
2011	246	342	297 - 87%

Length of Semester/Day Drake High School has two semesters and 180 school days. Students are required to take six classes per day and may choose to take seven. Monday classes are 48 minutes in length. Tuesday through Friday are block days when classes meet for 90 minutes for each block period.

Advanced Placement and Honors Courses

AP Biology *	AP French *	Honors Advanced Algebra *
AP Calculus AB	AP Spanish Language	Honors Chemistry
AP Chemistry *	AP Statistics	Honors Geometry
AP English Language Composition	AP Studio Art :2D Design	Honors Photography
AP English Literature Composition	AP Studio Art: 3D Design	Honors Theater Directing
AP Environmental Science	AP U. S. History	

AP/Honors classes may have prerequisites that may include course preparation, academic performance, and/or admission examination. * *May not be offered every year.*

Post High School Plans ~ Class of 2012

# of Grads	2 Year College	4 Year College	Other
238	32%	56%	12%

Colleges Attended

American Academy of Dramatic Arts West	Duke University	Pomona College
Bennington College	Eckerd College	Pratt MWP
Berkeley City College	Emily Carr University of Art & Design	Santa Barbara City College
Boise State University	Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising, Los Angeles	Santa Rosa Junior College
Boston University	Fordham University	Scripps College
Butte College	Georgetown University	Tulane University
Cabrillo College	Gettysburg College	University of Arizona
California Maritime Academy	Global College at Long Island University	University of California @ Berkeley, Davis, Irvine, Los Angeles, Riverside, San Diego, Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz
CSU @ Cal Poly-SLO, Chico, Humboldt, Long Beach, Pomona, San Diego, San Francisco, Sonoma	Gonzaga University	University of Colorado @ Boulder
City College of San Francisco	Lane Community College	University of Mississippi
College of Marin	Lebanon Valley College	University of Oregon
College of the Redwoods	Loyola Marymount University	University of Portland
Colorado College	Maharishi University of Management	University of Puget Sound
Colorado State University	Maryland Institute College of Art	University of San Francisco
Columbia College	Michigan Technical University	University of Washington
Columbia University	New York University	Vassar College
Connecticut College	Northern Arizona University	Washington State University
Cornell University	Northwestern University	Wheaton College
Cuesta College	Oberlin College	Whitman College
Dartmouth University	Occidental College	Williams College
Dominican University of California	Oregon State University	Xavier University
	Pennsylvania State University, University Park	

Graduation Course Requirements

- 220 units (160 required / 60 elective)
- 4 years English
- 4 years Social Studies
- 3 years Mathematics
- 2 years Integrated Science
- 2 years Physical Education
- 1 year Fine Arts
- 1 semester Introduction to Computers
(*or pass District exam*)

Grading System

	<u>Regular</u>	<u>AP/H</u>
A Excellent	4 pts	5 pts
B Above Average	3 pts	4 pts
C Average	2 pts	3 pts
D Passing	1 pt	1 pt
F Failing	0 pts	0 pts
NM = No mark		
CR/NC = Credit/No credit W = Withdrawal		
GPA's are cumulative, computed each semester.		
A.P. and Honors course grades are weighted.		



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