Woodside High School
Sequoia Union High School District

2022-2023 School Profile

Woodside High School is a fully accredited four-year comprehensive secondary school that has been serving the communities of the mid-peninsula since its opening in 1958. The 34-acre campus lies just east of the Santa Cruz Mountains and is one of four comprehensive campuses in the Sequoia Union High School District. The District’s total student population is approximately 10,000.

The mid-peninsula is an area of great economic diversity containing some of the most affluent and the most economically deprived communities in the state. Just north of Silicon Valley and Stanford University, Woodside High School is influenced greatly by the rapidly evolving business and cultural interests of the region. Over the past half-century, Woodside High School has emerged as one of the most dynamic and diverse comprehensive high schools on the San Francisco peninsula. We have been listed in Newsweek Magazine’s list of top high schools, and offer one of the most rigorous advanced placement college preparatory programs in the region.

Our school community reflects the cultural and socio-economic makeup of California.

1,700 students (440 seniors in 2022)

69 National Merit Scholarship winners
248 Finalists
642 Commendation winners
44 National Hispanic Scholars

ENGLISH
- AP: English Language & Composition, English Literature & Composition

SCIENCE:
- Honors: AS Chemistry
- AP: AP Biology, AP Environmental Science, AP Physics C: Mechanics

SOCIAL SCIENCE
- AP: AP European History, AP US History

MATHEMATICS
- AP: AP Calculus AB, AP Calculus BC, AP Statistics

WORLD LANGUAGE

Advanced Placement Scores

AP/Honors Courses (weighted)

ELECTIVES
- AP: AP Art Studio 2D, AP Art Studio 3D, AP Computer Science A: Java, AP Computer Science Principles
Mission Statement: “All Students Can and Will Learn”

220 credits are required for graduation with five credits earned (per semester) for each course completed with a “D” or better.

English – 40 (8 semesters)
Social Studies – 35 (7 semesters)
Mathematics – 20 (4 semesters)
Science – 20 (4 semesters)
Career Technical Education – 10 (2 semesters)
Life Skills – 2.5 (1 quarter)
Physical Education – 20 (8 quarters)
Fine Arts – 10 (2 semesters)
Electives – 62.5 (12.5 semesters)

Curriculum
Along with its strong “a-g” college-preparatory focus, Woodside welcomes and supports all students in fulfilling their maximum potential, and particularly those students whose needs are greatest. Specialized support ranges from one-on-one, small group and skill-building classes for students below grade level to academic planning, coursework and support for English Learners and students receiving special education services.

Electives include:
- Art
- Music
- Ceramics
- Computer Science
- Engineering
- Drama
- Fine Art
- Digital Filmmaking
- Digital Communication & Video
- Digital Photography
- Digital Music Production
- Foods & Nutrition
- Digital Journalism
- Yearbook
- Psychology
- Student Leadership

SAT Median Scores

GPA Distribution on a 4.0 scale for the Class of 2022
Individual rank in class is not reported. To assist in evaluating student performance, the following grade distribution chart is provided.

Woodside High School Athletics
Woodside High School is a member in good standing of the CIF/CCS and Peninsula Athletic League (PAL).

Electives
Woodside offers a broad range of electives. Students have the opportunity to take courses in Art, Music (instrumental and vocal), Ceramics, Computer Science, Engineering, Drama, Fine Art, Digital Filmmaking, Digital Communication & Video, Digital Photography, Digital Music Production, Foods & Nutrition, Digital Journalism, Yearbook, Psychology, and Student Leadership.

Student-Centered Scheduling
Students follow a rotating block schedule with classes meeting 39 weeks a year and are 90 minutes in length. Most students are enrolled in six classes. 97% of students take their first choice elective.

Scholar Athletes in 2021-2022:
80% of athletes maintained a 3.0 GPA or higher with 35% 4.0 GPA or higher
700 students participated in one or more seasons