



CYPRESS HIGH SCHOOL

SCHOOL PROFILE 2026 - 2027

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Home of the Centurions

ACCREDITATION

Cypress High is a school rich in tradition and excellence. Recognized as a California Distinguished School, Gold Ribbon School, and California Democracy School, Cypress High School provides students with a rigorous and well-rounded academic experience. Through our focus on the 5C's: Communication, Collaboration, Creativity, Critical Thinking, and Character, we help every student reach their "Unlimited You" potential and prepare for success in a changing world. Cypress High also holds a six-year WASC accreditation with a mid-cycle one-day visit.

STAFF

The school leadership team is comprised of a principal, four assistant principals, six school counselors, one dual enrollment counselor, two school psychologists, two school social workers, and two speech and language pathologists, 100 teachers and 90 support staff.

COMMUNITY

Established in 1973, Cypress High School is a four-year comprehensive high school in the Anaheim Union High School District (AUHSD), serving approximately 27,000 secondary students across the district. Located in the city of Cypress, the school also serves students from neighboring Buena Park.

Cypress High serves a diverse, primarily residential community supported by local businesses and strong community partnerships. The school provides students with a wide range of School-to-Career opportunities and benefits from partnerships with the Cypress Chamber of Commerce, local businesses, the Cypress Police Department, and the Community Services Department. These partnerships extend learning beyond the classroom and help prepare students for college, career, and postsecondary success.

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS & ATHLETICS

Cypress High School offers a rigorous and well-rounded academic program with 17 Advanced Placement (AP) courses, 13 honors courses, and 10 Career Technical Education (CTE) pathways, including our exclusive Sports & Entertainment pathway. Students also have many opportunities to pursue their interests beyond the classroom, with 27 varsity athletic teams and more than 70 clubs and organizations earning recognition at the regional, state, and national levels. As a culminating experience, every senior completes a capstone project demonstrating the 5 C's: Collaboration, Creativity, Communication, Critical Thinking, and Character/Kindness. Through strong academics, extracurricular opportunities, and community and industry partnerships, Cypress High prepares students for success in college, career, and life.

EMBEDDED DUAL ENROLLMENT

Strong partnerships with Cypress College and Fullerton College provide students with embedded and after-school Dual Enrollment opportunities, allowing them to earn college credit while in high school. Cypress High School's Embedded Dual Enrollment program provides students with the opportunity to earn college credit through Cypress College while completing designated high school courses on campus. Students can access college-level coursework across multiple disciplines, including Criminal Justice, Music, History, English, Kinesiology, and Sports Management. Current embedded offerings include:

- 9th grade: Criminal Justice: Introduction to Criminal Justice (AJ110) → History of Rock (MUS 119)
- 10th grade: History: History of Rock (MUS 119*) → World Civilizations II (HIST 113)
- 11th grade: Ethnic Studies: American Ethnic Studies (ETHS 101) → U.S. History from 1877 (HIST 171)
- 12th grade: English: College Writing (ENGL 100) → Critical Analysis & Literature (ENGL 104)
- 10-12th grade: First Aid, CPR & Emergencies (KIN 235) → Athletic Injuries: Prevention & Care (KIN 236)
- 11th-12th grade: Strength & Conditioning (KIN 272) → Sports Management (KIN 247)

This program expands access to college coursework by bringing Cypress College faculty, curriculum, and college-credit opportunities directly into the high school experience, helping students build confidence and readiness for postsecondary success.

*Adjustment will be made 2027-28 and beyond



SCHOOL

Cypress High School has experienced a comparatively slow but steady change in demographics. The school's current population is 2,534 students with a diverse ethnic mix of students as represented below.

ETHNICITY	CYPRESS %	GROUP	CYPRESS %
Hispanic/Latino	34.3%	English Learner	4.1%
Asian	28.6%	Homeless	3.5%
Caucasian	18.8%	Students w/Disabilities	11.4%
Filipino	5.6%	Foster Youth	0.28%
African American	3.2%	Armed Forces Family Member	3.3%
Other	8.9%	Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	61%

TRANSCRIPT COURSE LEVEL DESIGNATION/GRADING

LETTER GRADE	INTERPRETATION	REGULAR POINT VALUE	WEIGHTED POINT VALUE
A	Superior	4.00	5.00
B	Above Average	3.00	4.00
C	Average	2.00	3.00
D	Below Average	1.00	1.00
P or CR	Pass/Credit	0.00	0.00
F or NC	Failing/No Credit	0.00	0.00

TOTAL GPA 9-12:

Includes grades earned in all courses taken in 9th - 12th

ACADEMIC GPA 9-12:

Includes grades earned in all courses except PE/Athletics/Non-college prep courses in 9th - 12th

ACADEMIC GPA 10-12:

Includes grades earned in all courses except PE/Athletics/Non-college prep courses in 10th - 12th

**Beginning with the c/o 2024 - we do not rank our students.*

**AUHSD/Cypress High School does not recognize a Valedictorian/Salutatorian*

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Cypress High School requires the completion of 220 credits in order to qualify for a high school diploma.

CORE SUBJECT AREA	YEARS NEEDED	TOTAL CREDITS
English	4	40
Mathematics	3	30
Physical Education	2	20
Science	2	20
Social Science	3	30
Fine Art/World Language	1	10
Career Education (Business, HECT, ROP)	1	10
Health	.5	5
Ethnic Studies course		

*Remaining needed credits are obtained via elective selections.

+Civic Learning - 40 hours are now recommended, not required.

SCHEDULE

Traditional/Semester Schedule: Cypress operates on a 36-week academic year, divided into two semesters. Number of Courses allowed: Students typically take 6 classes per year, meeting for 54 minutes per day. Students are allowed to take a maximum of 7 courses per year, with some exceptions made for students in Band, ASB, Yearbook, Choir/Theatre & Embedded Dual Enrollment

HEALTHY BALANCE POLICY (HP, AP & DE)

At Cypress High School, we are committed to supporting students' academic success while also promoting their overall well-being. In response to concerns about student stress, sleep, attendance, and the increasing academic demands placed on students, Cypress has implemented a Healthy Balance Policy. The policy establishes annual limits on the number of Advanced Placement (AP), Honors (HP), and Dual Enrollment (DE) courses students may take. These limits are designed to encourage students to pursue rigorous coursework while maintaining a healthy and sustainable balance between academics, extracurricular activities,

family responsibilities, and personal well-being. Students who wish to exceed the established limits may do so through a Healthy Balance Waiver process, which provides an opportunity for families and students to consider their individual circumstances and academic goals. More information can be found on our website: <https://bit.ly/4pFFXgo>

	9th	10th	11th	12th
AP/Honors/DE Classes Desired	2	3	3	4
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AP/Honors/DE Classes Desired	3	4	4	5

HONORS COURSES AVAILABLE

These courses are also offered as non-honors for students who are not interested/ready for an honors curriculum.

English 1	Chemistry*	Pre-Calculus*	Graphic Comm*
English 2	Physics*	Stats & Data Analysis*	Business Entrep.*
Economics*	Math 1-2		Intro Comp Sci*
Living Earth	Math 2-3		

*Course receives weighted grade status on transcript and with CSU/UC system.

AP SCORES 2026

Our AP/HP program is open access for all students interested in a more rigorous course of study. Below are the AP courses offered with the number who passed with a score of 3 or better in May 2026.

Biology	101/122	Japanese	2/2
Calculus AB	71/81	Physics C: E & M	22/25
Calculus BC	71/72	Physics C: Mechanics	39/68
Chemistry	45/56	Psychology	23/36
Chinese	1/1	Spanish Language	37/39
Comp. Sci A	0/1	Statistics	28/40
Comp. Sci Principles	3/3	Studio Art: 2D	2/2
English Language & Comp	183/244	Studio Art: Drawing	4/5
English Literature & Comp	50/71	US Government & Politics	121/147
Environmental Science	36/58	United States History	131/152
French	1/7	World History: Modern	196/219
PASS RATE (Score 3+)	80.4%	TOTAL TESTED	1,453

SENIOR OUTCOMES

The Class of 2026 provided valuable insight into the postsecondary plans of our graduates. Cypress High School supports students' college and career goals through School-to-Career opportunities, the district's Anaheim Innovative Mentoring Experience (AIME), and strong partnerships with the Cypress Chamber of Commerce, local businesses, and community agencies. Many students also take advantage of the AUHSD Educational Pledge and the opportunities available at nearby Cypress College. Financial support remains an important factor in postsecondary planning, with more than \$1.13 million in scholarships awarded to the Class of 2026. The strength of Cypress High School is rooted in the commitment of our students, staff, community, and district.

POST SECONDARY PLAN	% ATTENDING
Four-Year University	38.9%
Community College	51%
Military Enlistment	1.8%
Vocational/Trade School	1.6%
Work Full Time/Unknown	6.7%

COLLEGE MATRICULATION RATE (A-G)

The following students completed a rigorous 4-year college preparatory program, although not all students chose to attend. Information based on college acceptance rates and transcript review.

YEAR	A-G COMPLETION
2026	78.5%
2025	75%
2024	80.8%

TEST SCORES

I. SAT SCORES		# TEST	EVIDENCE BASED			
YEAR	TAKERS	READING/WRITING		MATH	TOTAL	
2025-2026	389	627		646	1278	
2024-2025	210	611		644	1256	
II. ACT SCORES		# TEST				
YEAR	TAKERS	ENGLISH	MATH	READING	SCIENCE	COMP
2025-2026	33	26.0	29.6	27.8	28.8	27.8
2024-2025	31	26.5	27.6	28.7	27.0	27.5

CAASPP TESTING RESULTS (11TH GRADE)

	STANDARD EXCEEDED %	STANDARD MET %	STANDARD NEARLY MET %	STANDARD NOT MET %
2024-2025				
ELA	36.41	31.56	15.31	16.27
Math	26.37	23.09	22.15	28.39