



EL TORO HIGH SCHOOL – SCHOOL PROFILE 2021-2022

School Code: 051974

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Guidance Staff Directory: <https://www.svUSD.org/schools/high-schools/el-toro/guidance/counseling-staff>



DISTINGUISHING FEATURES:

Four-time California Distinguished School – 1988, 1994, 2001, 2013

Academic Excellence Programs: Advanced Placement Capstone, Model United Nations, Career Technical Education, Advancement Via Individual Determination

Ranked in Best High Schools by U.S. News and World Report 2016, 2017, 2019, 2020, 2021

Most Spirited High School in America Finalist 2017

COMMUNITY AND SCHOOL DATA:

El Toro High School (ETHS) opened in 1973. It is one of four comprehensive high schools in the Saddleback Valley Unified School District (SVUSD). In 2020-21, the student population was 40.2% Caucasian, 38.0% Hispanic, 9.5% Asian, 12.3% of various other ethnicities, Socioeconomically Disadvantaged – 32.7%

CLASS OF 2020 FOUR YEAR ADJUSTED COHORT GRADUATION RATE: 95.3%

CLASS OF 2021 POST GRADUATION PATH:

Attended a post-secondary education program	89%	Serve in the US military	2%
Attended a 4-year university	41%	Attended a trade or technical school	2%
Attended a 2-year college	47%		

ACCREDITATION:

El Toro High School is fully accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). Its most recent accreditation visit in 2019 resulted in a six-year term with a mid-cycle review.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

National Honors Society, Key Club, California Scholastic Federation, over 50 special interest groups...

BELL SCHEDULE:

ETHS has a 7-period schedule. Regular schedule is a traditional bell schedule.

GRADING/ CLASS RANK:

Honors AP coursework is weighted and computed in the GPA and class rank. Weighted classes are multiplied by a factor of 0.2 and divided by the number of semesters. For repeated courses, both grades for the repeated course remain on the transcript, but only the higher of the two grades received will be used in computing grade point averages and class standing. Rank is based on Academic GPA. Transcripts provide four GPA options:

1. Weighted Academic GPA is based on all coursework excluding physical education/athletics.
2. Non-Weighted Academic GPA is based on all coursework excluding physical education/athletics.
3. Total GPA is based on all coursework on all grade levels. GPA is based on final grades distributed at the completion of both the first and second semester with weighted coursework using the weighted class formula.
4. Non-Weighted Total GPA is based on all coursework on all grade levels. GPA is based on final grades distributed at the completion of both the first and second semester.

GRADUATION: the 165 core credits listed below must be taken in SVUSD, other credits may be taken outside SVUSD.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS: 220 Credits = 165 core and 55 elective credits			
SUBJECT	YEARS	SUBJECT	YEARS
English	4 years	Foreign Language, Fine Arts, or CTE	1 year
Mathematics (including Algebra I)	3 years	Physical Education	2 years
Science	3 years	Health	1 semester
History	3 years		

SPRING 2020 GRADING POLICY: In response to the state of California’s position on “Do No Harm to Students”, on April 28, 2020, the SVUSD Board of Trustees approved a resolution to alter the grading policy for Spring 2020 grades due to the COVID-19 pandemic. For students in 9th - 12th grades, a hybrid model was adopted whereby students will receive no lower than the grades they had at the time of school dismissals, but also have the opportunity to improve those grades. Additionally, for the final grades of the 4th quarter (semester 2) students will receive Credit or Incomplete but may opt for a letter grade of A, B, or C for any of their classes. Students receiving an Incomplete grade have the opportunity to take credit recovery courses to convert the Incomplete into a Credit grade while a student in SVUSD. The Credit and Incomplete grades will not be factored into the student’s GPA.

2020-21 & 2021-22 GRADING POLICY: Return to our pre-pandemic, traditional grading policy.

ADVANCED COURSE OFFERINGS AVAILABLE TO THE CLASS OF 2021					
HONORS	HONORS	AP	AP	AP	AP
English 1	Biology of the Living Earth	English Language (with AP Seminar)	Human Geography	Environmental Science	French 4 & French 5
English 2	Chemistry of the Living Earth	English Literature	World History	Biology	Spanish 4 & Spanish 5
Cultural Geography/MUN	Physics of the Universe	Research	U.S. History	Chemistry (only an option in 12 th grade)	Art History
World History/MUN	Geometry	Calculus AB	US Government and Politics	Physics C: Mechanics	Studio Art: 2D Design
U.S. History/MUN	Algebra 2	Calculus BC	Macroeconomics	Computer Science Principles	Studio Art: 3D Design
Contemporary World Issues	Math Analysis	Statistics	Psychology	Computer Science A	Drawing

SAT MEAN SCORES									ACT SCORES			
Year	ETHS Reading	ETHS Math	SVUSD Reading	SVUSD Math	CA Reading	CA Math	National Reading	National Math	ETHS	SVUSD	CA	National
2017	586	597	588	589	535	530	538	533	24.2	25.0	22.8	21.0
2018	594	610	599	604	546	543	549	546	23.8	24.9	22.7	20.8
2019	590	599	585	588	534	531	531	528	23.2	25.1	22.6	20.7
2020	594	607	589	595	527	522	528	523	25.1	25.9	23.3	20.6
2021	611	626	601	616	527	530	533	528	25.1	26.4	26.1	20.3

ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMINATIONS						
YEAR	Number of Tests Taken		Number of Tests Passed		% Test Passed	
	ETHS	SVUSD	ETHS	SVUSD	ETHS	SVUSD
2017	484	3,234	427	2,449	88%	76%
2018	644	3,685	567	2,835	88%	78%
2019	966	3,653	816	2,849	84%	78%
2020	1,312	4,063	1,027	3,071	78%	76%
2021	1,200	3,550	796	2,293	66%	64.6

*In 2021, El Toro High School had 43 AP Scholars, 23 AP Scholars with Honors, 40 AP Scholars with Distinction, 46 AP Capstone Diplomas, and 10 AP Seminar and Research Certificates

% OF GRADUATES MEETING UC/CSU “a-g” ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS				
YEAR	ETHS	SVUSD	COUNTY	STATE
2016	50.2	51.2	51.1	45.4
2017	62.6	56.7	53.8	49.5
2018	57.1	55.6	54.6	49.9
2019	53.2	53.3	55.3	50.3
2020	49.4	46.4	55.6	50.6
2021	DEC 2021	DEC 2021	DEC 2021	DEC 2021

% OF GRADUATES QUALIFYING AS COLLEGE/CAREER PREPARED			
YEAR	ETHS	SVUSD	STATE
2017	51.7	54.5	41.1
2018	69.9	67.8	42.2
2019	65.7	71.2	44.1
2020	68.2	62.3	45.8
2021	DEC 2021	DEC 2021	DEC 2021



