



"It's a school district that focuses on academic success and rigor that paves a way for an easier adaptation to life beyond school. Creating new social skills and thought processes leaves students ready to conquer their world."
Student

Public School

Walnut Valley Unified School District California

Walnut Valley Unified School District in Southern California offers strong academic, arts, and career-focused pathways across two high schools. Its high schools are consistently ranked among the best in California and the U.S., supported by modern facilities and diverse enrichment opportunities.

- PUBLIC
- COED
- COAST
- SUNNY
- ARTS
- STEM
- IB PROGRAM

Quick Facts

Founded: 1970
Niche.com Scores: A+
Students: Co-educational
Climate: Humid winters / Warm summers
Population: 30,000
School Population: 14,600

High School Population: 2,140
Accepting students: Grade 9-11
Diploma Year offered: No
Interview Required? No
English as Second Language (ESL) support: No
University Acceptance rate: 99%

Academic Excellence

Walnut Valley Unified School District delivers comprehensive college-preparatory academics supported by **strong AP, IB, and CTE pathways**. Students access extensive Advanced Placement offerings, International Baccalaureate programs, Project Lead the Way in Biomedical Sciences and Computer Science, Cisco Networking Academy, and multiple career-technical tracks. Instruction emphasizes analytical skills, research, and hands-on learning across STEM and the arts. The district's high schools maintain a strong academic record and have been recognized as **California Distinguished Schools, California Gold Ribbon Schools, National Blue Ribbon Schools, and Golden Bell recipients**. Graduates consistently gain admission to selective universities, supported by robust counseling services, well-equipped learning facilities, and over 100 extracurricular opportunities.

Student Accomplishments

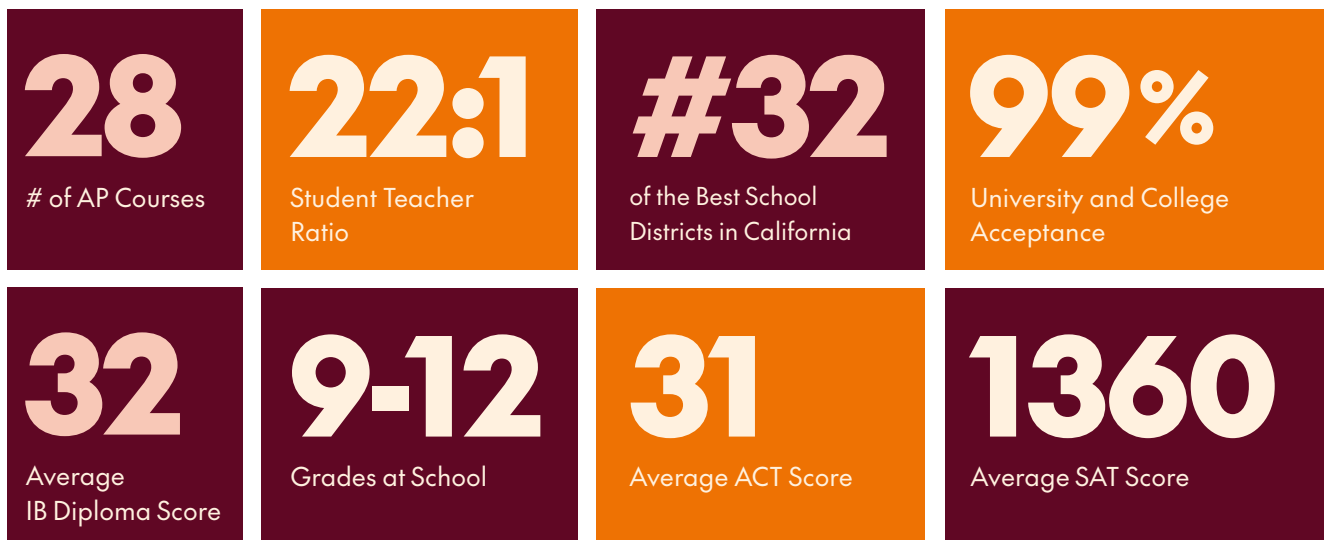
- Students accepted to highly selective universities in engineering, science, arts, and business
- Strong record of varsity-level athletic achievements, including 13/22 Hacienda League championships in a single year
- Recognition from state and national organizations for academic quality and innovation
- Award-winning arts programs in orchestra, band, and visual arts

Recent University Acceptances

- Boston University
- Cornell University
- Harvard University
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- New York University
- Purdue University
- Tufts University
- University of Pennsylvania
- California Institute of Technology
- University of Southern California
- University of Washington
- United States Air Force Academy
- United States Military Academy (West Point)



Stats



Campus Facilities

District facilities include a large football stadium, pool, baseball and softball diamonds, soccer field, and tennis courts. Students have access to dedicated music spaces, including orchestra and band rooms, as well as a well-stocked library and multiple outdoor areas for study and recreation. Classrooms support specialized learning through CTE labs, arts studios, and technology-enhanced environments. The district's two high schools offer expansive spaces for performing arts, athletics, and academic programs, contributing to **a well-rounded student experience** in the Southern California climate.

Athletics and Arts

The district offers competitive athletics with teams in football, soccer, basketball, cheerleading, water polo, baseball, golf, swimming, tennis, badminton, track and field, wrestling, and volleyball. Students compete across fall, winter, and spring seasons, with many teams earning league championships. Athletic programs emphasize skill development, teamwork, and sportsmanship, and some sports may carry restrictions for international students under California regulations.

Students can pursue the arts through multi-level programs in visual arts, digital media, orchestra, wind ensemble, choral music, drama, studio art, photography, animation, and video production. These programs support both foundational and advanced artistic study, encouraging creative expression across many mediums.



Highlights

Sports: Badminton, Baseball, Basketball, Cheerleading, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Soccer, Softball, Swimming, Tennis, Track and Field, Volleyball, Water Polo, Wrestling

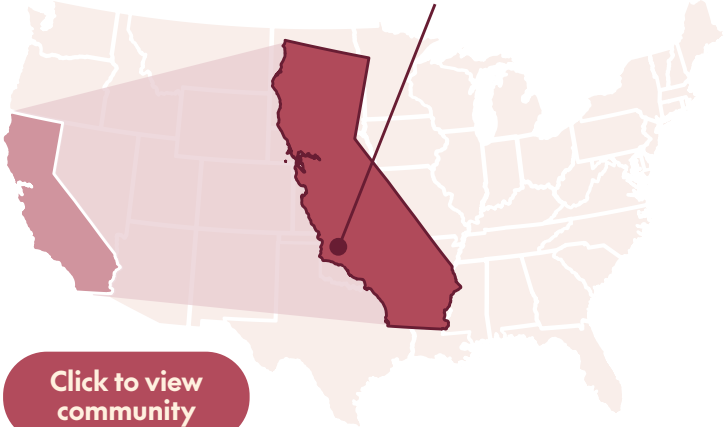
Arts: 3D Art and Design, Acting, Animation, Art, Art History, Band, Concert Band, Concert Chorus, Drama Production, Graphic Arts, Graphic Design, Media, Music, Music Theory, Orchestra, Photography, String Orchestra, Visual Arts, Wind Ensemble

Advanced Placement courses: Art History, Biology, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Chemistry, Chinese Language and Culture, Computer Science A, English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, Environmental Science, French Language and Culture, German Language and Culture, Music Theory, Physics 1, Physics 2, Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism, Physics C: Mechanics, Spanish Language and Culture, Statistics

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Community

Walnut Valley Unified School District is located between the cities of Walnut and Diamond Bar in the East San Gabriel Valley, about 30 minutes from Downtown Los Angeles. Walnut has been recognized as one of the best places to live in California, offering **parks, recreation, shopping, and safe neighborhoods**. Diamond Bar provides scenic residential areas and community amenities. Students have convenient access to Los Angeles attractions, cultural institutions, and airports including Ontario (ONT) and Los Angeles International (LAX).



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Climate in Walnut, California

Warm, dry summers and cool, humid winters.



Video

Learn more about the school

