

Rancho Cotate High School

2019-2020 School Profile



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HIGH SCHOOL & COMMUNITY

Rancho Cotate High School is a four-year comprehensive high school in Rohnert Park, California adjacent to the campus of Sonoma State University. It was established in 1966 and named after the Rancho Cotate land grant. The student body at Rancho Cotate High School is culturally diverse. Its student population is comprised of 0.8% American Indian or Alaska Native, 2.3% Asian, 0.5% Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander, 47.2% Hispanic/Latino, 1.9% Black or African American, 37.3% White (not Hispanic), 1.0% Filipino, 5.8% Two or more Races, and 3.2% decline to state/other. Student enrollment in our free and/or reduced lunch program is 37.9%. Total student enrollment is 1,475 for grades 9th through 12th. Rancho Cotate High School's Guidance Program provides academic planning, personal/social emotional counseling, and college and career advising for its students. In 2017, RCHS received the maximum six-year accreditation from the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) review committee citing our pursuit of excellence in secondary education. RCHS was placed on Advanced Placement's 8th District Honor Roll list for increasing our access to AP courses for a broader number of students and also maintaining or improving the rate at which our AP students earned scores of 3 or higher.

CURRICULUM

Rancho Cotate High School curriculum follows California State and Cotati-Rohnert Park Unified District guidelines. Course offerings include academically rigorous College Preparatory, Honors (H), Advance Placement (AP) courses, innovative electives, and award-winning art and music programs. Extensive vocational classes are offered such as 3D animation, sewing and fashion design, web design, business, digital photography, computer science, hospitality and tourism, filmmaking, broadcasting, engineering, and woodshop. Advanced Placement and Honor Courses are offered in Social Studies, Math, Science, English, French and Spanish. Students can earn college credits or waive certain courses depending upon their scores and their school of attendance.

We offer Freshman Academies that integrate curriculum across English, Social Studies and elective focus area classes. Freshman Academies such as Film, Computer Science, Careers in Sport, Biomedical and Law feed into upper division coursework in CTE Pathways and AP course sequences. AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) is offered to help under-achieving high school students prepare for and succeed in colleges and universities. Rancho Cotate has a strong, vibrant extracurricular program. Students have opportunities to participate in a wide variety of sports and extra-curricular activities. There are over forty activities, athletic, academic and fine arts clubs/organizations on campus.

ADVANCE PLACEMENT COURSES

| | | |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Art & Design: 2D | Computer Science | Spanish Language and Culture |
| Art & Design: Drawing | Economics | Statistics |
| Biology | English Language and Composition | US Government & Politics |
| Calculus | English Literature and Composition | US History |
| Chemistry | Environmental Science | World History |

HONORS COURSES

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|------------|-----------|-----------|--------------|----------------------------------|
| English 9 | Algebra 1 | Spanish 2 | Geometry | Principles of Biomedical Science |
| English 10 | Algebra 2 | Spanish 3 | Pre-Calculus | |

CLASS RANK & GRADING SCALE

All courses are included in computing GPA for class rank. Grades are weighted in honors, AP courses, and community college dual enrollment.

| <u>Grades</u> | <u>Basic</u> | <u>Honors</u> | <u>AP</u> |
|---------------|--------------|---------------|-----------|
| A = 90-100 | 4.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 |
| B = 80-89 | 3.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 |
| C = 70-79 | 2.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 |
| D = 60-69 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| F = 0-59 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

CLASS OF 2019

There were **317** graduates in the Class of 2019.

BREAKDOWN OF 2019 GRADUATES

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|-----|--------------------|-----|-------------------------|
| 25% | Four-Year Colleges | 4% | Vocational/Trade School |
| 64% | Community Colleges | 18% | Work |
| 4% | Military Services | 5% | Other |

***Some students checked both work and school options. Thus, percentages add up to more than 100%.**

Responses based on 296 students surveyed for the 2019 graduating class.

COLLEGES ATTENDED BY RCHS GRADUATES

Air Force Academy
 Arizona State University
 Boise State University
 California State University Cal Poly
 California State University Fresno
 California State University Long Beach
 California State University Sacramento
 California State University San Francisco
 California State University San Marcos
 California State University Monterrey
 California State University Channel Islands
 California State University Chico
 California State University East Bay
 California State University Fullerton
 California State University Humboldt
 California State University San Diego
 California State University San Jose
 Carthage College
 City College of San Francisco

College of the Desert
 DePaul University
 Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
 Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising San Francisco
 Grand Canyon University
 Hawaii Pacific University
 Marshall University
 Maryville University
 McGill University
 Mercyhurst University
 Portland State University
 San Francisco College of Mortuary Science
 Santa Rosa Junior College
 Seattle University
 Sonoma State University
 Southwestern Adventist University
 St. John's College

St. Mary's College
 Santa Rosa Junior College
 Seattle University
 Sonoma State University
 Southwestern Adventist University
 St. John's College
 Stanford University
 University of Arizona
 University of California Berkeley
 University of California Davis
 University of California Irvine
 University of California Los Angeles
 University of California Riverside
 University of California San Diego
 University of California Santa Cruz
 University of Louisville
 University of Nevada Reno
 University of West Virginia
 University of the Pacific
 Willamette University