



Newbury Park High School

School Profile 2013-2014

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IB World School
NCLB Blue Ribbon School 2006
2005 California Distinguished School

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Community: Newbury Park High School stands nestled against the hills in the northwest corner of the Conejo Valley in Ventura County, CA, approximately forty miles north of Los Angeles. Built in 1967, the site is one of three comprehensive high schools in the Conejo Valley Unified School District. Much of Newbury Park is located within the boundaries of the City of Thousand Oaks. NPHS serves a suburban, middle- to upper-middle-class community and provides a four-year comprehensive program for a student population that is 2% African American, 8% Asian, 21% Hispanic, and 68% White. With a diverse and growing student population of 2,550, the campus is home to a wide variety of programs and activities developed to meet the expanding educational needs and interests of our students in a district that educates nearly 20,000 students.

Curriculum: Our Mission Statement and six ESLRs (**Expected School wide Learning Results**) are: All NPHS graduates will be critical thinkers, effective communicators, knowledgeable problem solvers, and active community members. Panthers are taught to embody the four pillars of our mission: Nobility, Potential, Humanity, and Scholarship. The ESLRs are annually monitored for relevance and serve as overarching goals for daily interaction on campus. Written benchmarks determine the level of ESLR attainment in each content area. All instruction is aligned with state and district content and performance standard. Beginning in 2011 in conjunction with Corwin Press, a **21st Century Skills** overlay curriculum and Microsoft Cloud have been piloted to add to our already rigorous curriculum.

Newbury Park enjoys fierce community loyalty and a history of academic and co-curricular success. NPHS has consistently earned an Academic Performance Index in the **top 5% of the high schools in California**; as a result, we are a **California Distinguished School**, and we were named an **NCLB Blue Ribbon School in 2006**. Panthers consistently earn awards in the areas of yearbook, choir, band, drum line, color guard, Academic Decathlon, Mock Trial, speech and debate, journalism and athletics, and more than 70 clubs provide opportunities for service and deepening interests for students.

Special Programs: NPHS is home to the oldest and largest **International Baccalaureate** program in the region; we also offer a full complement of **Advanced Placement** courses due to the high expectations of the community, the staff, and our students. A full-time teacher oversees **DATA (our Digital Arts and Technology Academy)**, a school within a school that provides 21st century workplace skills and academic preparation for selected students; a full time Career Education teacher oversees the **Majors Program**, which offers students the opportunities and resources to explore their unique areas of interest, and to develop their career-related strengths and goals. The **Regional Occupation Program** is offered on-site and off-site. Our **Culinary Arts** students operate a restaurant, **Panther Café**, on campus, and many vibrant electives allow students to connect interests to potential careers as well as future educational needs in very real ways and many other programs and courses to challenge and support students to achieve at high levels. Each year, approximately **95% of NPHS graduates enter colleges and universities** all over the world.

Culture: For years, NPHS was the smallest high school in the district; as a result, a culture of **unparalleled individualized support** is integral to our success. Counselors and teachers provide personal assistance to families with questions about courses, college, and private issues on a daily basis. Finding **open classroom doors** well into the evening hours is common. We work especially hard to **meet student needs**, especially those who are at-risk or whose first language is not English. We continuously identify obstacles to student achievement, implement action plans to address them, and work with the community to overcome them. **Community support** takes many forms: input from all stakeholders led to the development of our **block schedule**; a **tutorial/Homework Help** and **intervention classes** for at-risk students. As a result of parent, community, staff, and student **collaboration**, **Panther Pride** has become more than a catchphrase; it is a way of life.

Graduation Requirements

Credits required for graduation: 230

- English 40 Credits
- Mathematics 30 Credits
- Social Science 30 Credits
- Science 20 Credits
- Physical Education 20 Credits
- Visual/Performing Arts 10 Credits
- Or Foreign Language**
- Health 5 Credits
- Electives* 75 Credits

Class of 2013 with 230 credits or higher=659

* Thirty credits of the elective requirements must include courses offered in the following subject areas: visual/performing arts, foreign language, science, mathematics, social science, industrial arts, business, consumer/family studies.

**All 10 credits must be in either fine arts or foreign language.

Block Schedule

Newbury Park High School operates on a block schedule. Students earn full credit for each class taken during the block periods. A typical student will earn 30 units of credit for Term 1 (September-February), and 30 units of credit for Term 2 (February-June). In addition, some students take one or two classes before or after the regular block periods, where they earn 5 units per term for each of these classes.

National Merit Scholarship Program

Class of 2014

Semi-Finalists- 8

Class of 2013

Finalists- 14

Commended-21

Advanced Placement Awards

	Class of 2013	Class of 2014
AP Scholars	33	48
AP Scholars w/Honor	14	19
AP Scholars w/ Distinction	57	17
National AP Scholar	16	1

Total # of AP Exams and Scores of 3 or better

School Year	2011	2012	2013
# AP Exams	1018	1157	1172
Score > 3	648	813	847

SAT Reasoning Test Mean Scores

2013 School Year

	NPHS	State
Critical Reading	561	498
Mathematics	577	512
Writing	556	495

International Baccalaureate Program



The IB Program is an option for highly motivated and capable juniors and seniors. The IB program encourages young adults to be informed, tolerant, and global as they attain a broad based liberal arts background. The IB program is being used in schools around the world to prepare students for post-secondary school success at any university throughout the world. Students who master all the components of IB will graduate with two diplomas, one from NPHS and one from IB. This achievement gives the IB student advanced credit or placement status in most colleges and universities.

School Year	2011	2012	2013
# of IB exams given	503	325	456
Score > 4	460	305	443
2014 Full Diploma Candidates		21	
2013 Full Diplomas		39	
2012 Full Diplomas		21	
2011 Full Diplomas		39	

Post Graduate Destination for Class of 2013

- 35% Attending 2 year colleges
- 60% Attending 4 year colleges
- 5% Attending other (trade, military, or declined to answer)

95% of NPHS 2013 seniors attending some form of college

Information gathered by 2013 student surveys, Naviance reports, and destinations of final transcripts.

Enrollment by Grade

2013/14 school year

9th grade- 645	10th grade- 657
11th grade- 642	12th grade- 641

Total students=2585

Nearly 500 of our students live outside of our attendance area and choose to attend on permit

Majors Programs

Students in this program benefit from a focused course of study that enhances their academic experience, career survey analysis and counseling, support in securing a job shadow, information interview, and internship or a related career project.

Class of 2013

Major	# of students in program
Arts/AV Technology & Communications	10
Business	9
Health Sciences	20
Hospitality & Tourism	2
Information Technology	11
Public & Human Services	6
STEM	7

Honors/AP Courses/IB Courses

English	English 9 Honors English 10 Honors AP English Lit/Comp English IB HL 1 English IB HL 2 Theory of Knowledge IB
Foreign Language	AP Spanish Language AP French Language Spanish IB HL 2 French IB HL 2 Mandarin IB HL
Mathematics	Geometry Honors Algebra 2 Honors Math Analysis Honors AP Statistics AP Calculus AB Math Studies IB SL AP Computer Science A AP Computer Science Principles
Science	Biology Honors Chemistry Honors AP Physics C-Mechanics Chemistry/Biology IB HL 1 Biology IB HL 2 Chemistry IB HL 2 AP Environmental Science
Social Studies	AP European History AP United States History AP Gov't & Politics AP Human Geography 20 th Century History IB HL AP Psychology Psychology IB HL 1 Philosophy IB HL 2 Psychology IB HL 2 Economics Honors
Art	AP Studio Art 2-D AP Music Theory AP Art History World Dance Studies IB Visual Arts IB HL 2 Wind Ensemble Honors

Co-Curricular

27 Athletic Teams	Mock Trial
Instrumental Music	Journalism
Choral Music	Yearbook
Theater Program	Academic Decathlon
Student Government	Dance Program
Robotics	Majors Programs

Course Level Descriptions

International Baccalaureate

A rigorous pre-university course of studies for highly motivated secondary school students. Higher Level coursework requires a total of 240 hours completed in the particular subject area. Standard Level coursework indicates 150 hours completed in the particular subject area.

Advanced Placement

A program created by the College Board offering college level curriculum and examinations to high school students. College often grant placement and credit to student who obtain high scores on the examinations.

Honors

Designed for the student with strong writing skills, ability to work independently, and self-motivation.

College Preparatory

Designed for the student who demonstrates proficiency in communication and critical thinking skills. These courses qualify students for university admission.

GPA and Deciles

Cumulative GPA- The Grade-Point-Average earned for all high school courses attempted computed by dividing the total number of points received from grades by the total number of courses taken.

Scholastic GPA- The Grade-Point-Average earned for all high school courses except Physical Education.

Weighted GPA- Based on the Scholastic GPA, all Honors, AP, and IB courses use a GPA calculation of 5.0 and 4.0 for grades of A or B. Grades of C and D do not earn extra weight. The Weighted GPA is used for rank by decile only, as our school does not publish individual class rank.

Class of 2013 Decile Ranking

Decile ranks using Weighted GPA

Decile	Low GPA	High GPA	# of students
1	4.32	4.92	95
2	3.97	4.31	56
3	3.68	3.96	62
4	3.48	3.67	52
5	3.33	3.47	45
6	3.12	3.31	78
7	2.89	3.11	58
8	2.57	2.88	93
9	2.20	2.56	87
10	1.58	2.18	33

2013 Newbury Park High School Graduates were accepted to the following Universities/Colleges

Academy of Art University	1	College of Western Idaho	1	Nebraska Wesleyan University	1
American University	4	College of William and Mary	1	New Jersey Institute of Technology	1
Amherst College	1	Colorado Mesa University	2	New Mexico State University	1
Appalachian State University	1	Colorado School of Mines	1	New York University	6
Arizona State University	22	Colorado State University	3	Northeastern University	8
Art Center College of Design	1	Columbia College Chicago	2	Northern Arizona University	24
Art Institute- Los Angeles, CA	1	Columbia University	1	Northwestern University	1
Art Institute- San Francisco, CA	1	Concordia University, Irvine	2	Occidental College	3
Azusa Pacific University	14	Corban College	1	Ohio State University	1
Bakersfield College	1	Cornell University	4	Ohio Wesleyan University	2
Barnard College	1	Cuesta College	1	Oklahoma State University	1
Barrett, The Honors College	1	DePaul University	1	Oregon State University	7
Bates College	1	Drexel University	6	Oxnard College	11
Baylor University	1	Duke University	1	Pace University, New York City	1
Becker College	1	Eastern Oregon University	1	Pacific University	2
Berklee College of Music	1	Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University- Arizona	3	Palm Beach Atlantic University	1
Biola University	4	Emerson College	3	Palomar University	1
Black Hills State University	1	Emory University	3	Pennsylvania State Univ, World Campus	1
Boise State University	6	Evergreen State College	1	Pennsylvania State Univ, University Park	6
Boston College	3	Fordham University	5	Pepperdine University	8
Boston University	14	George Fox University	2	Pierce College	1
Brandeis University	2	George Mason University	1	Point Loma Nazarene University	2
Brigham Young University	14	George Washington University	1	Point Park University	1
Brigham Young University, Idaho	12	Georgetown University	1	Pomona College	1
Brigham Young University, Hawaii	3	Georgia Institute of Technology	2	Portland State University	3
Bryan College	1	University of Georgia	1	Purdue University	4
Butler University	1	Gonzaga University	1	Randolph College	1
CA Institute of Technology	2	Grand Canyon University	3	Reed College	2
California Lutheran University	59	Harvard College	1	Rensselaer Polytechnic University	1
California Maritime Academy	1	Harvey Mudd College	3	Rice University	1
CA Polytechnic University, Pomona	10	Hawaii Pacific University	2	Rochester Institute of Technology	2
CA Polytechnic University, SLO	25	Hofstra University	3	Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology	1
CSU, Bakersfield	2	Houghton College	1	Rutgers, The State Univ at New Brunswick	1
CSU, Channel Islands	69	Humboldt State University	10	Rutgers, The State Univ at Newark	2
CSU, Chico	12	Idaho State University	1	Sacred Heart University	1
CSU, Dominguez Hills	2	Indiana University at Bloomington	1	Saint Mary's College of California	1
CSU, East Bay	4	Ithaca College	1	Salt Lake Community College	1
CSU, Fresno	3	Johns Hopkins University	4	Sand Diego Christian College	1
CSU, Fullerton	6	Kansas State University	1	San Diego City College	1
CSU, Long Beach	28	Kansas Wesleyan University	1	San Diego Mesa College	2
CSU, Los Angeles	3	La Roche College	1	San Diego State University	35
CSU, Monterey Bay	14	Lewis & Clark College	2	San Francisco State University	20
CSU, Northridge	57	Linfield College	3	San Jose State University	11
CSU, Sacramento	7	Louisiana State University	2	Santa Barbara City College	14
CSU, San Marcos	12	Loyola Marymount University	11	Santa Clara University	2
CSU, Stanislaus	1	Lu Ross Academy	1	Santa Monica College	2
College of the Canyons	1	Marinello Schools of Beauty	2	Scripps College	2
Carnegie Mellon University	4	Marymount Manhattan College	3	Seattle Pacific University	2
Case Western Reserve University	1	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	1	Seattle University	4
Chaminade University of Honolulu	1	Michigan State University	2	Sonoma State University	15
Champlain University	1	Montana State University, Billings	2	South Dakota State University	1
Chapman University	8	Montana State University, Bozeman	1	Southern Oregon University	1
Charter College	1	Moorpark College	197	Southwestern University	1
University of Chicago	3	Mount Holyoke College	1	St. John's University- Queens Campus	2
Claremont McKenna College	1	Musicians Institute	1	Stevens Institute of Technology	1
Cogswell Polytechnical College	1			Stony Brook University	2

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Suffolk University	1	University of San Francisco	10
Syracuse University	1	University of South Dakota	1
Texas Christian University	2	University of Southern California	19
Texas Tech University	1	University of Tennessee, Knoxville	1
Texas Wesleyan University	1	University of Tampa	2
The College of Wooster	1	University of Texas, Austin	1
The University of Texas, Austin	1	Utah Valley University	1
Truckee Meadows Community College	1	University of Utah	5
Union College	1	University of Virginia	2
United States Air Force Academy	1	University of Washington	6
United States Military Academy	1	University of Wisconsin, Madison	1
Universal Technical Institute-Los Angeles	1	University of Wisconsin, Whitewater	1
University of Alabama	2	University of Wyoming	1
University of Alaska-Anchorage	1	Vanguard University of Southern California	2
University of Arizona	6	Vassar College	3
University of California-Berkeley	28	Ventura College	20
University of California-Davis	29	Virginia Commonwealth University	1
University of California-Irvine	38	Wagner College	1
University of California-Los Angeles	25	Wake Forest University	1
University of California-Merced	5	Warren Wilson College	2
University of California-Riverside	21	Washington and Jefferson College	1
University of California-San Diego	52	Washington State University	2
University of California-Santa Barbara	63	Washington University in St. Louis	2
University of California-Santa Cruz	28	Weber State University	1
University of Colorado-Boulder	5	Wesleyan University	2
University of Colorado-Colorado Springs	6	Western Washington University	1
University of Delaware	1	Westmont College	9
University of Denver	1	Whitman College	1
University of Florida	1	Whitworth University	1
University of Hawaii-Manoa	8	Willamette University	4
University of Idaho	1	Woodbury University	1
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	2	Worcester Polytechnic Institute	1
University of Iowa	1	Yale University	1
University of Kansas	1		
University of Kentucky	1		
University of La Verne	1		
University of Maine	1		
University of Maryland, College Park	1		
University of Miami	4		
University of Michigan	2		
University of Minnesota, Twin Cities	5		
University of Mississippi	1		
University of Missouri, Columbia	1		
University of Missouri, Kansas City	1		
University of Montana, Missoula	3		
University of Nevada, Las Vegas	2		
University of New Mexico	5		
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	1		
University of Notre Dame	1		
University of Oregon	20		
University of the Pacific	8		
University of Pittsburgh	4		
University of Puget Sound	4		
University of Redlands	2		
University of Rochester	4		
University of San Diego	12		