



LA QUINTA HIGH SCHOOL

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SCHOOL PROFILE 2013-2014

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Total Enrollment: 2,171
12th Grade Enrollment: 565
Highest GPA in Class of 2013: 4.45

**2013 STATE ACCOUNTABILITY
ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE INDEX (API):
879**

**API SIMILAR SCHOOLS RANK:
10**

**TITLE I “ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARD”
2004 – 2007, 2011**

SCHOOL YEAR: TWO 18-WEEK SEMESTERS
ALL CLASSES MEET 55 MINUTES PER DAY, 5 DAYS A WEEK)

ADMINISTRATION

Denise Halstead
Principal

Matt Lambert
Assistant Principal
(A-K)

Loan Sriruksa
Assistant Principal
(L-N)

Ron Zajec
Assistant Principal
(O-Z)

HIGH SCHOOL

La Quinta High School is one of seven public comprehensive high schools in the Garden Grove Unified School District, serving grades 9 through 12. La Quinta opened its doors in September of 1963. Since then, the “Aztecs” have built a proud tradition of academic and athletic success within the district and the surrounding community. In fact, La Quinta has been named a "California Distinguished School", a five-time “Title I Academic Achievement Award” winner, and the school’s API ranks 10 out of 10 among similar schools.

The faculty and staff have worked to create a challenging academic environment to meet the needs of its ethnically diverse population. **La Quinta currently offers 18 advanced placement courses in the disciplines of: Biology, Chemistry, Physics B & C, Calculus AB & BC, English Language, English Literature, Environmental Science, French, Spanish, United States Government, Macroeconomics, Psychology, Statistics, United States History, European History, and Studio Art. There are three Honors courses available to students: English 1H, English 2H, and World History H.** La Quinta has also distinguished itself with outstanding programs in Art, Business and the Performing Arts.

The class of 2013 sent approximately 90% of its graduates to higher education; 36% to a four-year college or university and 54% to two-year community colleges. Five percent of La Quinta graduates enrolled in trade/technical schools or entered military service, and five percent went directly into employment.

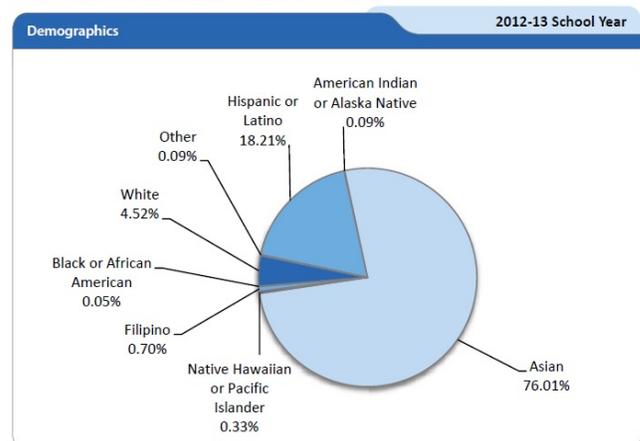
In the past several years, La Quinta has had many National Merit Finalists and numerous "Commended Students". In addition, the Aztecs have distinguished themselves athletically over the past 45 years with over 180 League Championships, with several athletic teams making CIF final game appearances and winning CIF titles.

SCHOOL POPULATION

La Quinta's attendance area is drawn from several cities in Orange County, including: Garden Grove, Westminster, Santa Ana, and Fountain Valley. Our dedicated staff is proud to serve an economically and culturally diverse community with a student population consisting of approximately 76% Asian, 18% Hispanic, 4% White (not of Hispanic origin), and 2% other. La Quinta is a school-wide Title I program school and provides its students with a variety of support and opportunities for success.

Enrollment and Demographics

Total school enrollment: 2,147 students (2012-13 school year)



Student Enrollment by Grade Level (2013-2014)

Grade 9	567
Grade 10	494
Grade 11	545
Grade 12	565
Total	2171

Student Enrollment in Special Programs 2013

	Number of Students	Percent of Enrollment
English Learners	436	20%
Free / Reduced Price Meals	1,541	72%
Title I	Yes, Schoolwide	

GRADING AND CLASS RANK

The marking system uses letter grades which are converted to a grade point value:

A = 4 points B = 3 points C = 2 points D = 1 point F = 0 points

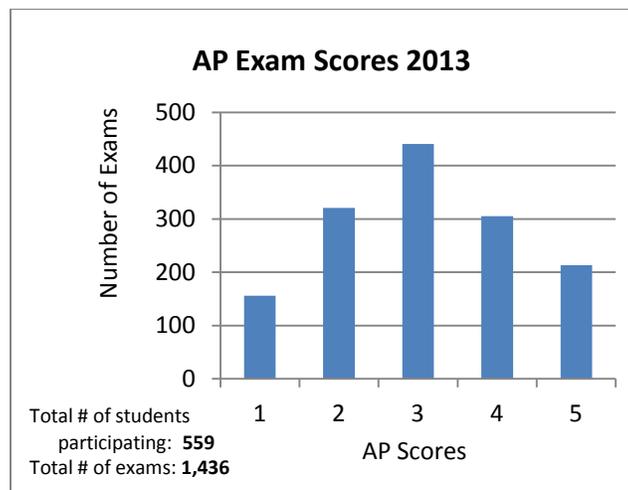
The School's passing mark is D-. All AP courses are weighted and one extra grade point is awarded for each grade. Calculation of a student's academic ranking is based on a "weighted" grade point average and includes all courses with the exception of physical education. The exact class rank is computed at the end of each semester.

LA QUINTA HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

CA High School Exit Exam Passing Rates (2012-2013)

Grade 10	Math	English
	94%	89%

AP Exam Scores



Exam Pass Rate 2013

Subject	# of Exams	Pass Rate	Subject	# of Exams	Pass Rate
Biology	85	58%	Physics B	119	60%
Calculus AB	106	83%	Physics C: E & M	20	60%
Calculus BC	52	90%	Physics C: Mechanics	20	85%
Chemistry	65	49%	Psychology	101	55%
English Language & Composition	143	64%	Spanish Language	51	67%
English Literature & Composition	100	92%	Statistics	158	48%
European History	31	77%	Studio Art	14	100%
French Language & Culture	4	75%	U.S. Government & Politics	89	60%
Macroeconomics	90	81%	U.S. History	128	54%

Average ACT Exam Scores for Class of 2013

# of Students Tested	English	Math	Reading	Science	Composite
276	21.1	25.0	21.7	21.7	22.5

Mean SAT Exam Scores for Class of 2013

# of Students Tested	Critical Reading	Mathematics	Writing	Total
421	491	549	488	1528

Mean SAT Subject Test Scores for Class of 2013

Subject Test	# of Students Tested	Mean Score
Chemistry	12	650
Ecological Biology	11	576
Literature	20	599
Math Level I (M1)	8	656
Math Level II (M2)	73	648
Molecular Biology	7	606
Physics	44	641
Spanish	4	N/A
U.S. History	37	645
World History	2	N/A