



# FLINTRIDGE PREPARATORY SCHOOL

## School Profile 2018-2019 CEEB Code: 052375

### ENROLLMENT FACTS

- Coed
- 524 students; 416 in grades 9-12
- 95 in Class of 2019
- 25% Students receiving need-based financial aid in 2018-2019
- 57% Amount of average financial aid award; Flintridge Prep does not award merit-based financial assistance
- Ethnic composition; 43% Caucasian; 37% Asian American; 13% Hispanic/Latino; 5% African American; 2% Middle Eastern
- 67 faculty members; 34 have master's degrees; 12 have doctoral degrees

### MISSION

Flintridge Preparatory School seeks to nurture in its students the knowledge, critical skills, community values and creativity essential for an engaged, balanced and responsible life.

### HONOR CODE

My responsibility as a student, teacher or parent in the Flintridge community is to be honest, kind, generous and respectful.

### COLLEGE COUNSELING PHILOSOPHY

The college counseling team walks alongside its students, encouraging them to engage in genuine ways, to be kind to themselves and to nurture intellectual curiosity. The college profile at the end of the 15-month journey is the byproduct of our department's work in identifying the appropriate balance and fit for each student. Inspiring students to be the best versions of themselves, while strategically guiding them through the college application process, is our mission.

### FLINTRIDGE PREPARATORY SCHOOL *also known as Flintridge Prep or Prep*

- Founded 1933
- Located in La Cañada Flintridge, CA, 20 minutes from downtown LA, 5 minutes from Pasadena
- 8:1 Student-teacher ratio
- 14 Average class size
- CEEB Code: 052375

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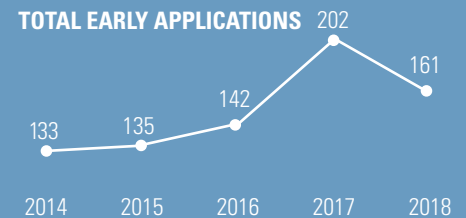
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### CLASS OF 2018 BY THE NUMBERS

**103** STUDENTS TOTAL

**11.6**  
APPLICATIONS  
STUDENT



**57%** OF THE CLASS ATTENDS A VERY SELECTIVE INSTITUTION  
( $\leq 25\%$  ADMISSION RATE)



### COLLEGE TRANSFER AVERAGES (2015-2017)

**5%**

**161**  
EARLY APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED

**56%** WERE ACCEPTED  
(**45%** ACCEPT RATE FOR EARLY DECISION APPLICANTS)

## CLASS OF 2018

**103** STUDENTS

**50** took SAT & **62** took ACT

### TEST SCORES

#### SAT I Scores

	Mid 50% Range
Evidence Based Reading and Writing	650-750
Mathematics	650-775
Writing Test	33-38

#### SAT Subject Tests

	Mid 50% Range
Biology-Ecology	620-730
Biology-Molecular	660-800
Chemistry	620-740
English Literature	600-700
French	590-610
Math Level II	620-730
Spanish	600-680
U.S. History	660-760

#### ACT Scores

	Mid 50% Range
English	31-35
Math	27-31
Reading	29-35
Science	26-32
Writing	8-9
ELA	27-32
STEM	27-32
Composite	29-33

### ADVANCED PLACEMENT SCORES 2018

COURSES	Avg.	4 or 5	3
Art History	4.3	32	2
Biology	4.1	47	13
Calculus AB	3.4	39	15
Calculus BC	3.3	20	13
Chemistry	4.0	25	11
English Literature & Composition	3.4	46	29
European History	3.7	43	23
French Language & Culture	4.0	8	2
Music Theory	3.1	3	3
Physics C: Mechanics	3.9	22	3
Spanish Language & Culture	4.6	26	1
Spanish Literature & Culture	4.8	6	0
Statistics	3.5	24	9
Studio Art: 2-D Design Portfolio	4.4	9	0
Studio Art: Drawing	4.4	4	0
United States Government & Politics	4.5	27	4
United States History	4.4	48	4
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>429</b>	<b>132</b>
<b>% of Total</b>		<b>66%</b>	<b>24%</b>

Flintridge Preparatory School administered a total of 650 AP tests in 2017-2018.

### ACADEMIC PHILOSOPHY

Students have ample opportunities to take their learning beyond the classroom:

- The STEAM and Service Fair allows students to construct projects of all kinds using the scientific method and/or a social-entrepreneurial perspective.
- On average, more than 25% of seniors undertake an Independent Study, with subjects spanning disciplines in humanities, arts, natural and social sciences.
- Service impact and hands-on learning opportunities are integrated into the curriculum, as well as through the school's 40+ clubs and student organizations.

### HONORS AND AP CURRICULUM

We offer honors and college prep sections in grades 10-12.

- Students must be recommended by faculty to enroll in honors or AP classes, and may take no more than 5 honors and AP courses in 11th and 12th grade.
- Prep offers 17 AP courses in the following subjects: Biology, Calculus AB and BC, English Literature, European History, French, U.S. History, U.S. Government and Politics, Art History, Physics, Statistics, Studio Art (2-D Design and Drawing), Spanish and Music Theory. Students who are in honors courses may opt to take an AP exam to accelerate; however, all students in AP courses are required to take the AP exam.

### CLASS RANKS AND GRADES

Flintridge Prep operates on the semester system, with four grading periods per year.

- A single grade is recorded at the end of each course. GPAs are based on all courses taken only at Prep.
- Flintridge Prep students are not ranked.
- Honors courses receive +0.5, while AP courses and Great Books Honors each receive +1.0.

### HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Prep's Human Development curriculum is designed to help students grow, achieve and thrive. Each grade has a special focus and unique opportunities — from peer counseling and outdoor education to retreats and community impact programs — and students are supported academically and emotionally by peers and trained adults. Human Development at Prep also aligns with our college counseling curriculum, which encourages introspection, self-knowledge and exploration.

### THE SENIOR YEAR

Students increasingly work independently and in groups on complex projects. In the second semester, seniors take an Honors seminar-style course called Identity, examining the concept of self through economics, literature, gender, culture and politics. The second half of the course culminates in a scholarly research project. This capstone project is required of all seniors, but over half of students exceed formal requirements by doing an additional presentation for their senior faculty and peers.

## THE FLINTRIDGE PREP LIBERAL ARTS CURRICULUM

### English

Embracing literature's power to instruct and delight, the English Department values curricular complexity and inspiration.

- The department emphasizes close textual analysis.
- We provide context with an interdisciplinary approach.
- Discussions include Socratic seminars, debates and oral presentations.

### History

The goal of the History Department is to develop in each student the historical knowledge, skills and curiosity that are essential to being thoughtful and responsible citizens of the world.

- We seek to achieve historical perspective by instilling critical thinking, curiosity and passion.
- Our wide-ranging subject matter spans the social sciences, from psychology to economics and the discipline of financial investing.

### Mathematics

The Math Department communicates the dynamism and importance of mathematics and helps students apply its analytic concepts to other subjects.

- We offer a wide range of courses related to both empirical and abstract mathematics.
- In the senior year, students may take both AP Statistics and AP Calculus BC or Multivariable Calculus.
- Several course offerings are algorithmically based, providing a foundation in the core concepts of computer science.

### World Languages

The World Languages Department promotes language both as a means of communication among people and as a reflection of the cultures of specific peoples.

- Students are immersed in their chosen language and experience a curriculum that blends usage with artistic and cultural heritage.
- The Latin course is designed to emphasize Rome's cultural and linguistic relevance to modern society.
- Students explore language and culture beyond the classroom through membership in clubs and honor societies, immersion and community service opportunities abroad.

### Performing Arts

The Performing Arts Department encourages students to explore the world of artistic performance as a means of communication and expression.

- Our program is designed to address the individual potential of the emerging artist within a collaborative ensemble.
- The faculty, made up of working performers, mentors individuals and conducts process-oriented curricula.
- The program engages Los Angeles' plentiful offerings through master classes and field trips.

### Visual Arts

The Visual Arts Department offers mentored learning experiences that enable creative concept development.

- The faculty, made up of exhibiting artists, offers projects that provide a foundation of design strategies and skills.
- Students build sophisticated technical, aesthetic and analytic skills, giving them a range of tools that can be applied to the challenges of creative self-expression.

### Science

The Science Department promotes student curiosity through the study of scientific phenomena and problem solving. In August 2016, Flintridge Preparatory School introduced the following course sequence: 9th Grade Biology, 10th Grade Honors Biology or Physics, 11th grade Honors Chemistry or Chemistry and 12th grade Physics AP C, Physics Honors or Anatomy & Physiology. The Class of 2020 will be the first class to progress through the new sequence.

- Time is allotted to laboratory investigation and research, with emphasis on hypothesis development, lab design and technique and the analysis of qualitative and quantitative data.
- A faculty STEAM coordinator encourages and supports interdisciplinary connections.
- Students are encouraged to take AP exams in biology, chemistry and physics and to explore off-campus opportunities to develop their skills in scientific inquiry.

## COURSE OFFERINGS

<b>English</b> English 4: Identity (H)* The City in Literature (H)* Contemporary Fiction (H)* Imitation of Genius* Literature of Dissent (H)* Shakespeare (H)* AP English Literature English 2: American Literature English 1	Introduction to Programming Topics in Computer Science Precalculus and Precalculus (H) Algebra II with Trigonometry Geometry	designated as Honors)** 9th Grade Biology Physics and Chemistry**
<b>World Languages</b> AP Spanish Language & Culture AP Spanish Literature & Culture AP French Language & Culture Spanish 4, 3, 2, 1 (some sections are designated as Honors) French 4, 3, 2, 1 (some sections are designated as Honors) Latin 4, 3, 2, 1 (some sections are designated as Honors)	<b>History</b> AP Art History AP United States Government and Politics AP United States History Economics* Great Books Seminar (H)* International Relations (H)* Border Politics (H)* Investments* Psychology* United States History AP European History European History Honors** World History 2 World History 1	<b>Visual Arts</b> AP Studio Art–2D Design AP Studio Art–Drawing Video Art Beginning & Advanced Drawing/Painting Beginning & Advanced Photography Beginning & Advanced Ceramics
<b>Mathematics</b> AP Calculus AB AP Calculus BC AP Statistics Multivariable Calculus and Advanced Topics in Mathematics (H) Calculus Statistics	<b>Science</b> AP Physics C, Mechanics/Lab Physics/Lab (some sections are designated as Honors) Anatomy & Physiology Chemistry/Lab (some sections are designated as Honors) AP Biology/Lab Biology/Lab (some sections were	<b>Performing Arts</b> AP Music Theory Chorus & Advanced Chorus Dance & Advanced Dance Dance Company Drama & Advanced Drama Jazz Ensemble Beginning & Advanced Instrumental Music
		<b>Physical Education</b> All students, grades 9–10

\* 1-semester course

\*\* These courses are discontinued. Through 2019, students who were enrolled in the honors version of European History or Biology but earned a 3 or higher on the AP exam will show an AP designation on their transcript.

## MATRICULATION

Students from the Classes of 2016-2018 are enrolled at the following colleges and universities:

American University	Emerson College	Santa Clara University	University of Michigan
Bard College	Fordham University	Sarah Lawrence College	University of Nebraska at Lincoln
Barnard College	Georgetown University	Scripps College	The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Boston College	Glendale Community College	Seattle University	University of Notre Dame
Boston University	Grinnell College	Smith College	University of Oklahoma
Bowdoin College	Harvard University	Southern Methodist University	The University of Oregon
Brown University	Harvey Mudd College	St. John's College	University of Pennsylvania
Bryn Mawr College	Haverford College	Stanford University	University of Puget Sound
Bucknell University	Howard University	Syracuse University	University of Richmond
California Institute of Technology	Indiana University at Bloomington	Texas A&M University	University of Rochester
California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo	Johns Hopkins University	Trinity University	University of San Diego
Carleton College	Loyola Marymount University	Tufts University	University of San Francisco
Carnegie Mellon University	Loyola University Chicago	Tulane University	University of Southern California
Case Western Reserve University	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	United States Naval Academy	University of St. Andrews
Chapman University	Middlebury College	University of British Columbia	University of Toronto
Claremont McKenna College	New York University	University of California, Berkeley	University of Washington
Colgate University	Northeastern University	University of California, Davis	Wake Forest University
Colorado College	Northwestern University	University of California, Irvine	Washington University in St. Louis
Columbia University	Occidental College	University of California, Los Angeles	Wellesley College
Connecticut College	Pasadena City College	University of California, Riverside	Westmont College
Cornell University	Pennsylvania State University	University of California, San Diego	Willamette University
Dartmouth College	Pepperdine University	University of California, Santa Barbara	Williams College
Davidson College	Pitzer College	University of California, Santa Cruz	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Duke University	Pomona College	University of Chicago	Yale University
Durham University	Reed College	University of Denver	
Elon University	Rice University	The University of Edinburgh	
	Saint Mary's College of California	University of Massachusetts, Amherst	

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