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School Information

PUC California Academy for Liberal Studies Early College High School (PUC CALS ECHS) serves the educational needs of students living in the city of Los Angeles, with a concentration on the communities of Lincoln Heights, Cypress Park, and Glassell Park. PUC CALS ECHS, home of the Falcons, was founded in 2003 as a continuation of the personalized, rigorous education imparted at PUC CALS Middle School, a founding charter school at Partnerships to Uplift Communities. The mission of PUC Schools is to develop and manage high quality charter schools in densely populated urban communities with overcrowded and low achieving schools. We create school programs and cultures that result in college graduation for all students. We uplift and revitalize communities through the development of educational and other supportive partnerships. PUC CALS ECHS has developed successful partnerships with Los Angeles Community College, Los Angeles Trade Tech College, Pasadena Community College, Glendale Community College and East Los Angeles Community College, allowing all students take college classes during their time at the school (starting 2nd semester of 9th grade). PUC Schools uses an educational model based on high expectations for all students, highly qualified teachers, and parents as partners. The school operates on a traditional August-June academic calendar. PUC CALS ECHS is proud to be recognized as a California Distinguished School.

2016-2017 Demographics:

- **Students in grades 9-12:** 262
- **Students in the class of 2017:** 55
- **Demographics:** 92.45% Hispanic/Latino, 1.89% Filipino, 1.51% Caucasian, 1.13% African American, 0.75% Native American/Alaskan Native, and 0.38% Vietnamese
- **Students qualifying for free or reduced lunch:** 80%
- **Student-Teacher Ratio:** 23 to 1

Standardized Test Scores for Class of 2017

ACT	English Avg. 11.5	Math Avg. 19.0	Reading Avg. 13.0	Science Avg. 15.0	Composite Avg. 14.5
SAT	Critical Reading Avg. 330	Math Avg. 445	Writing Avg. 370	SAT Avg. (2400 Scale) 1145	

Grading:

In alignment with University of California and California State University undergraduate admissions requirements, PUC Schools do not grant "D" letter grades. A grade below a "C" is a fail and will not satisfy the PUC graduation requirements. Students earning an "F" for any required course must repeat the course to earn a grade of "C" or higher.

Rank - PUC Schools does not rank students.

Grade Replacement - Starting the 2015-2016 school year, PUC Schools are implementing a PUC-Wide grade replacement policy. Students may retake any failed course, and the newly earned GPA and credits will replace the previously failed course GPA and credits (Must be same course name & content). The original failed course will remain on a student's transcript.

Graduation Requirements

- English.....40 Credits
- Math.....30 Credits
- History/Social Science.....30 Credits
- Foreign Language.....20 Credits
- Laboratory Science.....20 Credits
- Visual/Performing Arts....20 Credits
- College Prep Electives...40 Credits
- Physical Education.....20 Credits

Minimum of 220 Credits is required for high school graduation



Grading Scale

100-90	89-80	79-70	69-0
A	B	C	F

*Advanced Placement courses and PUC *honors designated* community college courses with a grade of “C” or higher will receive 1 GPA added value point.

Grade Distribution: Class of 2017 - Weighted Cumulative GPAs as of August 31, 2016

GPA Range	# of students	GPA Range	# of students
4.1 - 5.0	2	2.0 - 2.5	10
3.6 – 4.0	9	1.5 – 1.9	5
3.1 – 3.6	13	0 – 1.4	1
2.6 – 3.0	13		

Advanced Placement and Honors Courses Offered

Advanced Placement courses are not offered due to the strong partnerships with Los Angeles Community College, Los Angeles Trade Tech College, Pasadena Community College, Glendale Community College and East Los Angeles Community College. Students have the opportunity to take up to two college classes starting spring of their freshmen year through graduation.

Extra-Curricular Activities:

Volleyball	Soccer (boys and girls)	Debate
Basketball (boys and girls)	Falcon Peer Mentors	Gay Straight Alliance
Softball	Athletic Club	Pep Rally Committee
Cross Country (co-ed)	Campus Beautification	Theatre/Film Club
Baseball	Gardening Club	Spirit Squad
F.A.C.T. Club - Falcons Acting for Communities Today		Yearbook Club

Colleges and Universities the Class of 2016 were admitted to:

California State University, Los Angeles	Humboldt State University	East Los Angeles College
California State University, Northridge	University of California, Merced	Brigham Young University
San Francisco State University	San Jose State University	Grand Canyon University
California State University, Channel Islands	California State University, Fullerton	Coconino County Community College
University of Nevada, Las Vegas	California State University, Long Beach	Santa Monica College
Pasadena City College	University of La Verne	California State University, East Bay
California Polytechnic State University, Pomona	California State University, Chico	Glendale Community College
University of California, Los Angeles	Holy Names University	California State University, Dominguez Hills
University of California, San Diego	Mt. San Antonio College	Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University – Prescott
University of California, Irvine	University of California, Davis	Mills College
University of California, Riverside		