

High School Profile 2020-2021

SCHOOL INFORMATION

Partnerships to Uplift Communities (PUC) founded PUC Lakeview Charter High School (PUC LCHS) in 2010 to serve the students living in the Northeast San Fernando Valley, with a concentration on the communities of San Fernando and Sylmar. In our ninth year of operation, PUC LCHS' Class of 2021 will be the eighth graduating class. 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 preparing all students for career readiness and college completion. We uplift and revitalize communities through the development of educational and other supportive partnerships. PUC Schools educational model is based on high expectations for all students, highly qualified teachers and principals, and parents as partners. The school operates on a traditional August-June academic calendar. PUC LCHS is proud to be recognized as a California Distinguished School. In 2019, U.S. News Best High Schools ranked PUC LCHS in the top 5% of high schools in the country and top 6% in California.

ACCREDITATION AND CHARTER AUTHORIZATION

- Accredited by the Accrediting Commission for Schools--Western Association of Schools and Colleges.
- Charter authorized by Los Angeles Unified School District.

HOW COVID-19 IMPACTED OUR STUDENTS

Fall 2020: ACADEMIC PROGRAM: With students' and teachers' safety at the forefront, all PUC Schools will remain virtual to start the 2020-21 school year. Classes are provided through synchronous learning through block schedule Monday – Thursday (10:00am – 2:55pm), synchronous on Friday mornings (10:00am – 10:40am) for Advisory, and the remainder of students' Friday consists of asynchronous learning (10:40am – 2:55pm). **GRADING:** PUC Schools returned to our traditional letter grades A-F for the 2020-21 school year. **SCHOOL & COLLEGE COUNSELING SUPPORTS:** PUC LCHS School & College Counselors virtual program provides seniors and their families with individual meetings, small groups counseling sessions, as well as classroom guidance presentations, and PUC-Wide Webinars. Specific senior counseling services include virtual academic, career and counseling support, college rep visits, virtual college fairs, as well as application workshops to ensure students college and financial aid applications are accurate, thoughtfully completed and deadlines are met. In addition, the PUC Alumni Network will provide a Senior Send-Off Webinar Series starting Spring 2021 to help empower students with resources and refine their skills to successfully transition from senior year to life after high school (college or alternative higher education path, employment & life skills).

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Spring 2020: ACADEMIC PROGRAM: Students moved to virtual learning starting Monday, March 16th, 2020 through the end of the school year Friday, May 29th, 2020. Students attended online synchronous learning Monday – Friday (9:00am – 3:00pm). **GRADING:** PUC Schools adjusted the grade scale to a PASS/FAIL for all classes, and excluded all Spring 2020 Pass/Fail grades and grades from external institutions from students' Grade Point Averages (GPAs). **SCHOOL & COLLEGE COUNSELING SUPPORTS:** PUC LCHS' School & College Counselors main focus last spring was to support students with adapting to their new virtual environment, and connecting students and families to services that supported their mental health and basic needs. The traditional Senior Institute (in-person) summer week-long college prep meeting took place virtually the week before school, providing seniors an overview of the school year application process, and guided students through creating their FAFSA and college application accounts (Common App, CSU and UC).

2020-2021 DEMOGRAPHICS

- Students in grades 9-12: 451
- Students in the Class of 2021: 106
- Students: 96.45% Hispanic/Latino; 2.44% Declined to specify; 0.44% Multiple Races; 0.22% Chinese; 0.22% Filipino; 0.22% White
- Students qualifying for free or reduced lunch: 86%
- Student-Teacher Ratio: 25:1

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- English.....40 Credits
- Math.....30 Credits
- History/Social Science.....30 Credits
- Foreign Language.....20 Credits
- Laboratory Science.....20 Credits
- Visual & Performing Arts.....10 Credits
- College Prep Electives.....10 Credits
- Physical Education.....10 Credits

Minimum of 220 credits is required for high school graduation



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.

- **Advanced Placement (AP) & College Courses** - AP & college course grade of “C” or higher will receive 1 GPA added value point.
- **Grade Replacement** - PUC Schools implemented a PUC-Wide grade replacement policy starting the 2015-16 school year. Students may retake any failed course. The newly earned grade, GPA points and credits will replace the previously failed course. The original failed course and grade will remain the students’ transcript (Must be same course name & content).

GRADE SCALE

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

GRADE DISTRIBUTION:

Class of 2021 Cumulative Weighted GPAs

GPA Range	# of Students	GPA Range	# of Students
4.1 - 5.0	10	2.0 - 2.5	14
3.6 - 4.0	28	1.5 - 1.9	9
3.1 - 3.5	25	1.0 - 1.4	1
2.6 - 3.0	19		0

- PUC Schools does not rank students.
- The Class of 2021 cumulative GPAs (weighted & unweighted) includes 9th grade through 11th grade fall semester.
- Due to COVID-19, PUC Schools adjusted our Spring 2020 grade scale to a PASS/FAIL for all classes and excluded Pass/Fail grades from GPAs.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAM

- AP European History
- AP United States History
- AP English Language and Composition
- AP Environmental Science
- AP Spanish Language and Culture
- AP Spanish Literature and Culture

May 2020 AP Exam Administration

- 126 students took 1 or more AP Exams
- 164 AP Exams were administered

COLLEGE ADMISSIONS DATA CLASS OF 2020

- 93% admitted to 2 & 4-year colleges/universities
- 71% admitted to a 4-year college/university

POST-SECONDARY COMMITMENT DATA

- 60% - 4-year college/university
- 32% - 2-year college
- 2% - Military
- 4% - Employment
- 1% - Other (Gap Year, Defer, etc.)
- 96% - In-State
- 3% - Out-of-State

COLLEGE ADMISSIONS EXAMS

- Class of 2021 students were registered to take the May and April 2020 ACT. Due to COVID-19 closures, many students have not had the opportunity to take the SAT or ACT.

DUAL ENROLLMENT COLLEGE COURSES

Partnership with Los Angeles Mission College (LAMC)

- College courses are offered at PUC LCHS’ site, and are taught by LAMC’s instructors.
- College course enrollment is open to all students starting spring of 9th grade through senior year.
- Students must be passing all core academic courses to be eligible.
- On average 2 college courses are offered to students each semester.
- College courses are offered after school.

Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD) is offering all college courses online for the 2020-2021 school year.