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California School of the Arts – San Gabriel Valley (CSArts-SGV) shares its mission with its founding campus, the award-winning Orange County School of the Arts (OCSA). CSArts-SGV provides an unparalleled arts and academic education in a creative, challenging, and nurturing environment to a diverse student body passionate about the arts, preparing them to reach their highest potential.

CSArts-SGV opened in August 2017 and currently serves approximately 1,350 students in grades 6-12. In an exciting community partnership, students in grades 6-8 receive their academic instruction through the Duarte Unified School District (DUSD) and their arts classes through the CSArts-SGV conservatory program. Beginning in grade 9, students attend classes full-time on the CSArts-SGV campus.

The school's unique culture and innovative curriculum allow its students to grow and thrive in the arts and academics as artist-scholars. Small student/teacher ratios in classes allow for personalized attention to students. In addition to their arts and academic classes, students receive opportunities to participate in master classes, guest artist presentations, field trips, and performances, as well as a variety of campus clubs and activities.

ACCREDITATIONS

- Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC)

AWARDS

- Recognized ASCA Model Program (American School Counselor Association, 2025-2030)
- Exemplary School (Arts Schools Network, 2024-2029)
- California Distinguished School (California Department of Education, 2026-2028)
- #1 Best Charter High School in California (Niche, 2026)
- Readers' Choice Awards for Best/Favorite School in the San Gabriel Valley (*Pasadena Star-News*, *San Gabriel Valley Tribune*, and *Whittier Daily News*, 2018-2019, 2023-2026)
- Best High Schools in America (U.S. News & World Report, 2022-2026)
- Exceptional Charter School in Special Education (National Association of Special Education Teachers, 2020-2026)
- California Exemplary Arts Education Award (California Department of Education, 2021)

UNIQUE CURRICULUM

- Standards-based grading across classrooms
- Strong Early College Program through partnership with Citrus College
- Robust Career and Technical Education (CTE) pathways through Arts, Media, and Entertainment; Communication Technologies Software and Systems Development; and Health Science and Medical Technology
- Digital classrooms through use of Chromebooks and Google Classroom
- Teaching Proficiency through Reading and Storytelling (TPRS) World Language Program with emphasis on Comprehensible Input (CI)
- Multiple AP and Honors class options
- Unique electives such as Taekwondo, Ceramics, and various dance classes

FACULTY

- Academic and arts faculty members are fully credentialed and highly qualified
- Majority of 200 arts and academic teachers hold advanced degrees
- Guest artists and industry leaders share expertise and creativity with students through lectures, presentations, and hands-on training

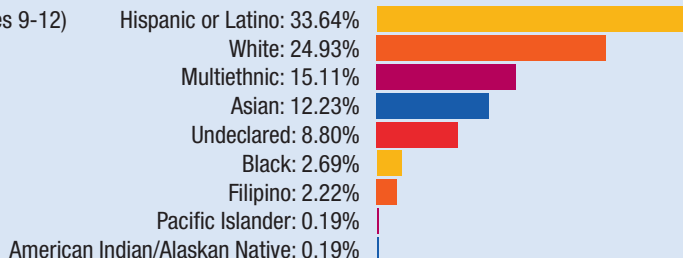
DONATION DEPENDENT

- CSArts-SGV is a donation-dependent public charter school
- No student is offered or denied admission based on financial capacity

ENROLLMENT

1,079 High School Students (Grades 9-12)
Male: 322
Female: 720
Other Gender: 37
Seniors: 248
Juniors: 260
Sophomores: 284
Freshmen: 287

ETHNICITY/DEMOGRAPHICS



CURRICULUM

- The **academic program** at CSArts-SGV is organized on an alternating block schedule. Students take three 90-minute classes daily, and each class block meets every other day.
- The **arts conservatory program** consists of either one or two 60-minute classes, four days a week. Middle school students attend one block each day (except for Thursdays, on which they have a double block), while high school students attend two blocks each day. These pre-professional arts courses vary in content, day, and block based on conservatory.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Course	Length	Credits
Literature, Language, and Composition	8 Semesters	40
Mathematics	4 Semesters	20
Life Science	2 Semesters	10
Physical Science	2 Semesters	10
Early World/Health	2 Semesters	10
World History	2 Semesters	10
United States History	2 Semesters	10
Government	1 Semester	5
Economics	1 Semester	5
World Language	4 Semesters	20
Fine Arts	2 Semesters	10
Physical Education	4 Semesters	20
Required Course Credits		170
Electives		70
Total Credits Required to Graduate		240

Conservatory courses are required each year of all students in grades 9-12 from one of the following conservatories: Acting, Ballet & Contemporary Dance, Commercial Dance, Creative Writing, Instrumental Music, Integrated Arts, Musical Theatre, Popular Music, Production & Design, Visual Arts, or Vocal Arts.

GPA AND GRADE SCALE

CSArts-SGV utilizes a four-point scale to calculate students' grade point averages, but does not rank students by GPA.

Grade Scale:

- A = 4.0
- B = 3.0
- C = 2.0
- D = 1.0

Advanced Placement/Honors courses (+) are weighted with an additional value of 1 point for each course semester.

Class Rank: Per school policy, students are NOT RANKED.

Average Academic GPA for Graduating Seniors: 3.96

TESTING INFORMATION

CAASPP Testing Data

	ELA		Math		Science	
	CSArts-SGV	State	CSArts-SGV	State	CSArts-SGV	State
2021	79%	49%	47%	34%	55%	31%
2022	84%	47%	46%	33%	56%	29%
2023	87%	47%	46%	35%	n/a*	30%
2024	88%	56%	40%	28%	56%	31%
2025	87%	57%	50%	30%	65%	33%
*No grade levels were tested because grades 10-12 were tested the previous year. Juniors are now tested in this subject area each year.						

Advanced Placement Exams

- May 2026, 312 students took AP exams
- A total of 559 exams were taken in 21 AP subjects
- The percentage of students with passing scores (3+) was 92%

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

- 2020 National Merit Semifinalist
- 2021 National Merit Semifinalist
- 2021 National Merit Finalist
- 2025 National Merit Winner

Advanced Placement Awards	2023	2024	2025	2026
Scholar with Distinction	16	17	27	36
Scholar with Honors	5	23	25	39
Scholar	43	41	40	48

EXTRACURRICULAR OPPORTUNITIES

- Student Body Leadership
 - National Honor Society
 - California Scholarship Federation
- Hip-Hop 4 Dance Team
 - Yearbook
 - ESPORTS
- More than 80 student-led clubs and organizations

ADVANCED PLACEMENT CLASSES

- AP 2D Art and Design (+)
- AP African American Studies (+)
- AP Art History (+)
- AP Biology (+)
- AP Calculus AB (+)
- AP Calculus BC (+)
- AP Chemistry (+)
- AP Computer Science A (+)
- AP Computer Science Principles (+)
- AP Economics (+)
- AP English Language and Composition (+)
- AP English Literature and Composition (+)
- AP Environmental Science (+)
- AP Government (+)
- AP Mandarin Language (+)
- AP Physics (+)
- AP Psychology (+)
- AP Spanish Language (+)
- AP Statistics (+)
- AP United States History (+)
- AP World History (+)

HONORS CLASSES

- Biology Honors (Option for all freshmen) (+)
- Biology: Medical Track Honors (+)
- Chemistry Honors (+)
- Economics (Macro) Honors (+)
- Literature, Language, and Composition 1 Honors (+)
- Literature, Language, and Composition 2 Honors (+)
- Literature, Language, and Composition 3 Honors (+)
- Literature, Language, and Composition 4 Honors (+)
- Mandarin 3 Honors (+)
- Mandarin 4 Honors (+)
- Precalculus Honors (+)
- Spanish 2 Accelerated
- Spanish 3 Honors (+)
- Spanish 4 Honors (+)

EARLY COLLEGE CLASSES

- Acting
 - Introduction to Theatre Arts
 - Stage Acting I
- Creative Writing
 - Theatre Appreciation
- Instrumental Music
 - Competitive Collegiate Wind Band
 - Instrumental Master Class
 - Jazz Ensemble IV
 - Songwriting III
 - Studio Orchestra III
- Musical Theatre
 - Introduction to Theatre Arts
 - Music Fundamentals
 - Musical Theatre Techniques I
 - Professional Performance Techniques
- Popular Music
 - History of Rock and Roll
 - Songwriting I
 - Songwriting II
- Production & Design
 - Introduction to Theatre Arts
- Visual Arts
 - Animation I
 - Art Portfolio and Resume Production
 - Beginning Ceramics
 - Beginning Painting
 - Digital Media Productions I
 - Three-Dimensional Design
- Vocal Arts
 - Concert Choir I
 - Concert Choir II
 - Concert Choir III
 - Concert Choir IV
 - Vocal Arts Ensemble I
 - Vocal Arts Techniques I

COLLEGE PREPARATORY (CP) COURSE OFFERINGS BY SUBJECT AREA

Courses indicated with an asterisk (*) receive an extra point in the grade point average calculation.

ENGLISH

- ☐ AP English Language and Composition*
- ☐ AP English Literature and Composition*
- ☐ Lit/Lang/Comp 1
- ☐ Lit/Lang/Comp 2
- ☐ Lit/Lang/Comp 3
- ☐ Lit/Lang/Comp 4
- ☐ Lit/Lang/Comp 1 Honors*
- ☐ Lit/Lang/Comp 2 Honors*
- ☐ Lit/Lang/Comp 3 Honors*
- ☐ Lit/Lang/Comp 4 Honors*

SCIENCE

- ☐ Anatomy/Physiology
- ☐ AP Biology*
- ☐ AP Chemistry*
- ☐ AP Computer Science A*
- ☐ AP Computer Science Principles*
- ☐ AP Environmental Science*
- ☐ AP Physics*
- ☐ Biology
- ☐ Biology Honors*
- ☐ Biology: Medical Track
- ☐ Biology: Medical Track Honors*
- ☐ Chemistry
- ☐ Chemistry Honors*
- ☐ Earth and Space
- ☐ Intro Computer Science
- ☐ Physics

MATHEMATICS

- ☐ Algebra 1 (discontinued: 2024-2025)
- ☐ Algebra 2
- ☐ AP Calculus AB*
- ☐ AP Calculus BC*
- ☐ AP Precalculus (2023-2024)*
- ☐ AP Statistics*
- ☐ Geometry (discontinued: 2025-2026)
- ☐ Integrated Math 1 (established: 2025-2026)
- ☐ Integrated Math 2 (established: 2026-2027)
- ☐ Mathematical Modeling
- ☐ Precalculus Honors*
- ☐ Statistics

SOCIAL SCIENCE

- ☐ AP African American Studies*
- ☐ AP Economics*
- ☐ AP Government*
- ☐ AP United States History*
- ☐ AP World History*
- ☐ Early World History (2020-2024)
- ☐ Economics (Macro)
- ☐ Economics (Macro) Honors*
- ☐ Ethnic Studies
- ☐ Government
- ☐ United States History
- ☐ United States History Honors (2022)*
- ☐ World History

WORLD LANGUAGES

- ☐ AP Mandarin Language*
- ☐ AP Spanish Language*
- ☐ Mandarin 1
- ☐ Mandarin 2
- ☐ Mandarin 3
- ☐ Mandarin 3 Honors*
- ☐ Mandarin 4 Honors*
- ☐ Spanish 1
- ☐ Spanish 2
- ☐ Spanish 3
- ☐ Spanish 2 Honors
- ☐ Spanish 3 Honors*
- ☐ Spanish 4 Honors*

VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS (CONTINUED)

- ☐ Musical Theatre Dance
- ☐ Piano
- ☐ Show Choir
- ☐ Stage Combat
- ☐ Tap Dance
- ☐ Yearbook

ELECTIVES

- ☐ AP Psychology*
- ☐ Leadership
- ☐ Personal Finance (established: 2024)

VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS

- ☐ Advanced Ceramics
- ☐ Advanced Drawing and Painting
- ☐ AP 2D Art and Design*
- ☐ AP Art History*
- ☐ Art History
- ☐ Ballet Dance
- ☐ Ceramics
- ☐ Cinematic Arts 1
- ☐ Digital Art
- ☐ Digital Photography
- ☐ Drawing and Painting
- ☐ Hip-Hop Dance

Full participation
in conservatory
courses is required
each year of all
students in grades
9-12 from one
of the following
conservatories:



SCHOOL	CONSERVATORY	HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ENROLLED
School of Dance	Ballet & Contemporary Dance Commercial Dance	17 52
School of Fine & Media Arts	Creative Writing Integrated Arts Visual Arts	102 161 262
School of Music	Instrumental Music Guitar Program Pianist Program Strings & Orchestra Program Wind & Jazz Studies Program Popular Music Vocal Arts	24 13 24 33 79 28
School of Theatre	Acting Musical Theatre Production & Design	67 117 100

MATRICULATION

One-hundred percent (100%) of CSArts-SGV's graduating **Class of 2026** was accepted into institutions of higher education. Additionally, 70% are attending a four-year college program, 28% are attending a two-year college or conservatory program, and 2% are going directly into the workplace or taking a gap year.

CSArts-SGV students apply to and enroll at schools that reflect each student's individual interests and strengths. The following post-secondary campus acceptances and matriculation (in parenthesis) data was reported by the **Class of 2026**.

Aberystwyth University	1	Langara College	1	Syracuse University	10 (2)
American Musical and Dramatic Academy	2	Lasell University	1	Temple University	3
Arizona State University, Tempe	5 (1)	Lewis & Clark College	3	Temple University, Japan	1
Art Center College of Design	10 (4)	Liberty University	1	Texas Christian University	1
Azusa Pacific University	2	LIM College	1 (1)	Texas State University	1
Babson College	1	Long Island University, Post	1	The New School	18 (1)
Bates College	1	Los Angeles College of Music	1	The Oberlin Conservatory of Music	1
Belmont University	3	Los Angeles Trade Technical College	1 (1)	The Ohio State University at Columbus	1
Berklee College of Music	4 (2)	Loyola Marymount University	14 (5)	The University of Arizona	3
Biola University	1 (1)	Loyola University, Chicago	3	The University of British Columbia	1
Boston University	4	Loyola University, Maryland	1	The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	1
Bowdoin College	1 (1)	Loyola University, New Orleans	2	The University of Tampa	1
Bowling Green State University	1	Macalester College	1	The University of Texas at Dallas	2
Brandeis University	1	Manhattan School of Music	1	The University of Utah	7
British and Irish Modern Music Institute	1 (1)	Manhattan University	1	Thiel College	1
Bryn Mawr College	2 (1)	Mannes College The New School for Music	2	Tufts University	1 (1)
Butler University	2	Marymount Manhattan College	2	Tulane University	3 (2)
California Baptist University	3 (2)	Massachusetts College of Art and Design	1	Universitat Hamburg	1 (1)
California College of the Arts	2	McGill University	2	University College Dublin	1 (1)
California Institute of the Arts	5 (2)	Michigan State University	1	University of Aberdeen	1
California Lutheran University	3	Middlebury College	1	University of Alaska Fairbanks	1
California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo	15 (3)	Montana Technological University	1	University of California, Berkeley	10 (4)
California State Polytechnic University, Humboldt	15	Montclair State University	1	University of California, Davis	21 (2)
California State Polytechnic University, Pomona	44 (10)	Mount Holyoke College	1	University of California, Irvine	10 (4)
California State University, Bakersfield	1	Mount Saint Mary's University	6 (1)	University of California, Los Angeles	16 (8)
California State University, Chico	8	Mt. San Antonio College	3 (3)	University of California, Merced	18 (2)
California State University, Dominguez Hills	2	Muhlenberg College	1	University of California, Riverside	32 (1)
California State University, Fullerton	52 (8)	Nebraska Wesleyan University	1 (1)	University of California, San Diego	17 (4)
California State University, Long Beach	46 (7)	New York Institute of Technology	1	University of California, Santa Barbara	22 (6)
California State University, Los Angeles	30 (4)	New York University	2 (1)	University of California, Santa Cruz	46 (4)
California State University, Monterey Bay	6 (2)	North Park University	1	University of Chicago	1
California State University, Northridge	33 (3)	Northeastern University	8	University of Cincinnati	1
California State University, Sacramento	3	Northern Arizona University	1 (1)	University of Colorado, Boulder	6 (1)
California State University, San Bernardino	3	Oberlin College	1	University of Colorado, Colorado Springs	1
California State University, San Marcos	3	Occidental College	10 (3)	University of Colorado Denver	2
California State University, Channel Islands	1	Oregon Institute of Technology	1	University of Connecticut	5 (1)
Carnegie Mellon University	1	Oregon State University	4	University of Denver	1
Case Western Reserve University	2	Otis College of Art and Design	9 (4)	University of East London	1
Chapman University	14 (2)	Pace University	7 (2)	University of Edinburgh	1
Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science	1	Pacific Northwest College of Art	1	University of Glasgow	2
Chicago State University	1	Palm Beach Atlantic University	1	University of Hartford	1
Citrus College	20 (15)	Pasadena City College	45 (40)	University of Hawaii at Manoa	7 (1)
Clark University	1	Penn State University Park	4	University of La Verne	10 (2)
College of Marin	1 (1)	Pepperdine University	9	University of Maine	1
College of the Canyons	1 (1)	Point Loma Nazarene University	1	University of Maine at Fort Kent	1
Colorado College	1	Point Park University	3	University of Mary Washington	1
Colorado State University	2	Pomona College	1	University of Maryland, College Park	1
Columbia College Chicago	1	Portland State University	2	University of Massachusetts Amherst	1
Columbia University	1 (1)	Pratt Institute	3 (1)	University of Michigan	4
Concordia University	1 (1)	Purdue University	1	University of Michigan-Flint	1
Concordia University, Irvine	1	Randolph College	1	University of Minnesota, Twin Cities Campus	3
Connecticut College	3	Reed College	2	University of Missouri	1
Cornell University	2 (1)	Regis University	1	University of Nevada, Las Vegas	1
CUNY John Jay College of Criminal Justice	2 (1)	Rhode Island School of Design	1	University of Nevada, Reno	4 (1)
Daemen University	1	Ringling College of Art and Design	1	University of New Mexico	1
DePaul University	3	Rivier University	1	University of North Carolina School of the Arts	3
Dickinson College	1	Rochester Institute of Technology	2 (1)	University of North Texas	1 (1)
Drew University	2	Roosevelt University	1	University of Northern Colorado	2
Drexel University	1	Rutgers University, Camden	1	University of Oklahoma	2 (1)
Duke Kunshan University	1	Rutgers University, New Brunswick	2	University of Oregon	20 (1)
Eastman School of Music of the University of Rochester	1	Rutgers University, Newark	1	University of Pennsylvania	1 (1)
Elms College	1	Sacramento City College	1	University of Puget Sound	2
Emerson College	1	Saint Louis University, Madrid Campus	1	University of Redlands	2
Emmanuel College	1	Saint Mary's College of California	2	University of Rhode Island	1
Emory University	1 (1)	Saint Mary's University of Minnesota	1	University of San Diego	2
Erasmus University College	1	San Diego State University	27 (3)	University of San Francisco	8 (3)
Fashion Institute of Technology	4 (1)	San Francisco Conservatory of Music	3 (1)	University of South Carolina-Columbia	1
Fisher College	1	San Francisco State University	15 (1)	University of Southern California	22 (9)
Five Towns College	1	San Jose State University	13 (1)	University of Strathclyde	1
Fordham University	6	Santa Barbara City College	1 (1)	University of the Pacific	2
Fullerton College	2 (1)	Santa Clara University	2	University of Toronto	1
Gettysburg College	1	Sarah Lawrence College	6	University of Vermont	6 (1)
Gnomon School of Visual Effects	1 (1)	Savannah College of Art and Design	4	University of Veterinary Medicine, Budapest	1 (1)
Goldsmiths University of London	1	School of the Art Institute of Chicago	3	University of Virginia	1
Gonzaga University	1	School of Visual Arts	2	University of Washington	8
Hampshire College	2	Scripps College	3 (1)	University of Wisconsin-Madison	1
Harvey Mudd College	1	Seattle University	2	University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point	1
Hawaii Pacific University	3 (1)	Shenandoah University	1	Vanderbilt University	2 (1)
Hobart and William Smith Colleges	1	Skidmore College	1 (1)	Vassar College	5 (1)
Hofstra University	3	Smith College	1	Villanova University	1
Hope College	1 (1)	Southern California Institute of Architecture	2	Virginia Tech	1 (1)
Howard University	1	Southern Utah University	1	Viterbo University	1
IE University, Madrid	1	Stanford University	1 (1)	Wayne State University	1
Illinois Institute of Technology	1	State University of New York, College of	1	Wesleyan College	1
Indiana University, Bloomington	6 (1)	Environmental Science and Forestry	1	Western New England University	2
Iona University	1	State University of New York, Fredonia	1	Westmont College	1
Ithaca College	2	State University of New York, Purchase College	1	Wheaton College	1
Jacobs School of Music	1	State University of New York, Stony	2	Whitman College	3
James Madison University	2	Brook University	1	Willamette University	1
Johns Hopkins University	1 (1)	Stephens College	2	Woodbury University	2
Kean University	1	Suffolk University	1 (1)		
Laguna College of Art & Design	2	Swarthmore College	1 (1)		