Our School
Since 1964, Henry M. Gunn High School has been a model of rigorous and innovative learning. It was recently ranked 21st among California high schools, 23rd nationwide in STEM, and 5th in the Bay Area in US News Best High School magazine’s recent report. Gunn’s mission is to foster a community of creative thinkers who will acquire knowledge, skills, values, and integrity to: be resilient, responsible, respectful, contributing citizens; lead rewarding lives that pursue personal excellence and lifelong learning.

Our Community
Located 35 miles south of San Francisco and 14 miles north of San Jose in Santa Clara County, Palo Alto is a community of approximately 67,082 residents. Education is at our core, with neighboring Stanford University and Foothill College nearby. Palo Alto is at the heart of the Silicon Valley tech industry. A large percentage of city residents are professionals in the tech industry, education, healthcare, retail, and service industries.

Our Students
The student body reflects the demographics of the ethnically diverse and socio-economically prosperous city of Palo Alto. Gunn embraces Palo Alto’s dynamic culture and community with a diverse and vibrant student body. It is an open and accepting learning community where all students, regardless of background or socio-economic status, feel safe, cared for, and supported in order to receive an outstanding education that prepares them for life after high school in a rapidly changing world.

Gunn has a total enrollment of 1993 students. The ethnic/racial make-up of our student population is 1.2% African-American, 1.1% Pacific Islanders, 10% Hispanic, 34.5% Caucasian, 45% Asian, and 8.2% two-or-more races, and other. Roughly 3.4% of our students are classified as limited English proficient.

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CEEB/ACT School Code 052-347

Student Achievement
Students at Gunn continue to demonstrate outstanding performance on standardized tests

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<th>ACT Composite Average</th>
<th>Year</th>
<th>2017</th>
<th>2018</th>
<th>2019</th>
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<td>ACT Scores</td>
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<td>29.5</td>
<td>28.4</td>
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<td>State Scores</td>
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<th>SAT (1600 scale)</th>
<th>Year</th>
<th>2018</th>
<th>2019</th>
<th>Nat’l &amp; Int’l Mean</th>
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<td>Reading &amp; Writing</td>
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<td>669</td>
<td>673</td>
<td>531</td>
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<td>Math</td>
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<td>697</td>
<td>704</td>
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<th>National Merit Scholarship</th>
<th>Year</th>
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<td>Semi-Finalist</td>
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<td>Commended</td>
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<td>90</td>
<td>87</td>
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<th>AP Scores – May 2019</th>
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<td>849 students took 2384 tests</td>
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<td>96% students scored 3 or higher</td>
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<td>42% students scored 5</td>
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Grading System
Gunn High School lists both unweighted and weighted GPA on the transcript. Weighted GPA is based on all Honors (H) and Advance Placement (AP) courses, grades 10-12. While H and AP courses are given an extra grade point, +/- are not weighted in the student's GPA. Please note, the following classes do not provide +/-'s in their grading rubrics:

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Conceptual Physics
- AP Chemistry
- AP Physics 1
- AP Environmental Science

Gunn High School does not rank students. The following grade distribution chart is provided to assist you in evaluating student performance.

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<th>Class of 2020 (6 semesters) (size: 480)</th>
<th>Number of students</th>
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<td>3.76 - 4.00</td>
<td>234</td>
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<td>3.51 – 3.75</td>
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<td>3.01 – 3.50</td>
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<td>2.51 – 3.00</td>
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<td>2.50 and below</td>
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Academics
Gunn students learn within rigorous and engaging courses. The student-to-teacher ratio is 28:1. Students may enroll in up to 7 classes each semester. Students in grades 9 must take 7 classes, students in grade 10 must take 6 classes, and students in grades 11 and 12 must take 5 classes. Students earn 5 credits for passing each semester course.

Honors Courses
- Algebra II/Trig H
- Analysis H
- Geometry H
- Multivariable Calc H
- Biology H
- Chemistry H
- French Civ & Cult H
- Japanese 4 H
- Mandarin Civ & Cult H
- Spanish Civ & Cult H
- World Classics H
- American Classics H
- Media Ldship/Mgmt H
- Adv Drawing/Painting H
- Adv Video Production H
- Adv Photography H

Advanced Placement (AP) Courses
- AB Calculus
- BC Calculus
- Computer Science A/Pri
- Statistics
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Environmental Sci
- Physics 1
- Physics C
- French - Lang & Cult
- German - Lang & Cult
- Japanese – Lang & Cult
- Mandarin – Lang & Cult
- Spanish – Lang & Cult
- Spanish – Lit & Cult
- English – Lit & Comp
- Economics Micro/Macro
- Psychology
- US History
- Art History
- Draw 2-D
- Draw 3-D
- Music Theory
- Studio Art

Graduation Requirements
- Visual & Performing Arts: 10
- Career & Technical Education: 10
- English: 40
- Living Skills: 5
- Mathematics: 30
- Physical Education: 20
- Science (Biological 10/Physical 10): 20
- Social Studies: 40
- World Language: 20
- Electives: 2
- Total for Graduation: 220

Our Administration
Principal: Andrea Bueno
Assistant Principals: Jorge Chavez, Jonathan Fidani, Derek Johanson, David Leftwich, Erin Reyes, Cora Ross
Student Activities Athletic Director: Lisa Hall
School Counselors: Myesha Compton, Linda Kirsch
College & Career Counselor: Leighton Lang

College Enrollment – Class of 2019
- 14.2% to 2 year colleges
- 79.9% to 4 year colleges

Athletics
- Badminton (C)
- Baseball (B)
- Basketball (B,G)
- Cheer & Dance (C) Cross Country (C) Football (B)
- Golf (B,G)
- Lacrosse (B,G)
- Soccer (B,G)
- Softball (G)
- Swim/Dive (B,G)
- Tennis (B,G)
- Track/Field (C)
- Volleyball (B, G)
- Water Polo (B,G)
- Wrestling (C)

Student Activities & Clubs
Over 100 clubs in these exciting areas:
- Auto shop
- Activism
- Computer
- Culture
- Dance
- Debate
- Entrepreneurial
- Environmental Food
- Games
- Intellectual
- Language
- Literature
- Math
- Music
- Outdoors
- Politics
- Service

Our Counselor Team
College & Career Counselor: Curtis Johansen
College & Career Info Spec: Leighton Lang
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