

# Paradise High School



## School Profile 2020-21

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<b>Directions:</b> Take Highway 99 toward Chico, exit east onto Skyway toward Paradise. In 11.5 miles, turn right (south) on Elliott Rd, then in 0.6 miles, turn left (east) on Maxwell Dr. PHS is on the left. The Guidance Office is open from 7:30 a.m. through 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.	

### Community and School Information

Paradise experienced a devastating fire in November 2018. Its population dropped by over 90% to a little over 2,000 inhabitants. The only major employer left in Paradise is Paradise Unified School District. The majority of employed former residents worked in neighboring communities. The Paradise Ridge was known as a desirable retirement community.

PHS is a comprehensive 4-year school with 519 students. In 19/20, PHS's ethnic mix was: 77% white, 12% Hispanic or Latino, 1% American Indian/Alaska native, 1.0% Asian, 0.6% Filipino, 0.4% Black, and 8% Multi-Ethnic (non-Hispanic). PHS has 1% Foster students & 51% Free and Reduced Lunch (62% district-wide). PHS received a full 6-year WASC accreditation in 2012-13 but the current WASC was postponed due to changes induced by the fire & COVID-19.

### Curriculum

PHS's academic program is varied and offers coursework/programs for all ability/achievement levels, in addition to regular high school courses. Students are able to enroll in AP, Honors, PLTW, Pathways, 2+2+2, College Connection, and/or eLearning courses.

The AP courses offered are AP English 11, AP English 12, AP Calculus (eLearning), AP Biology, AP Physics 1, AP Statistics, AP U.S. Government and Politics, and AP U.S. History. AP enrollment is open to all students who fulfill course prerequisites. All students enrolled in AP courses are highly encouraged to take the corresponding AP examination, and receive Honors/AP grade points on their transcripts.

To better prepare students for the rigor of Advanced Placement classes, Paradise High School offers honors classes in English 9, English 10, Math 1, Math 2 and Chemistry as well as the College Connection program.

### Graduation Requirements

- English – 40 credits
  - Mathematics – 30 credits
  - Science – 20 credits
  - Social Science – 30 credits
  - Fine Arts/CTE/World Language – 10 credits
  - Physical Education – 20 credits
  - Technology/Career – 10 credits
  - Electives – 70 credits
- Total required credits for graduation = 230

### Grading and Ranking Procedures

A – Excellent	90-100
B – Above average	80-89
C – Average	70-79
D – Below average	60-69
F – Failure	59 or below

AP+ = AP Course Credit  
HON+ = Honors Course Credit (Chemistry Only)  
CR = for independent study students, teacher, cafeteria, and office aides.  
NM = student has not attended long enough to earn a grade and credit.

#### Grade Point Values

A = 4.0 (Honors Chem./AP = 5.0)
B = 3.0 (Honors Chem./AP = 4.0)
C = 2.0 (Honors Chem./AP = 3.0)
D = 1.0    F = 0.0

I = Incomplete, student has not completed class requirements. This can be changed to a grade when the student completes the class requirements.

**Ranking:** Honors points are limited to 8 semesters of completed AP classes. Points toward senior class ranking are then deducted for grades below an “A” in academic courses (e.g., -1 point for each “B”, -2 points for each “C” and so on). The student must have been enrolled at PHS for at least three semesters to be eligible. Students achieving the top possible (8) AP points who have earned straight A’s in grades 9-12 will be determined to be the class valedictorians. Students who rank in the top 10% of the senior class using this method will be awarded a gold cord to wear at graduation.

### Standardized Test Results

#### SAT Results 2018-19

School	Grade 11-12 Enrollment	% Tested	% Meeting ELA Benchmarks	% Meeting Math Benchmarks
PHS	231	23%	92 %	75%

#### ACT Results 2018-19

School	Grade 12 enrollment	% Tested	Reading Average	English Average	Math Average	Science Average	% > 21
PHS	231	10%	23	21	24	23	72.73%

#### AP Results 2018-19

# Tested	Total Tests Taken	1	2	3	4	5
57	123	8.9%	37.4%	33%	13.8%	7.3%

### 2017-18 College Going Rate

67.9%: UC=4%; CSU=13%; CCC=72%; Private 2- and 4-year= 1.6%; Out of State=8.6%

4-Year Universities	UC Berkeley	American River College
Brigham Young	UC Davis	Butte Community College
CSU, Chico	UC Santa Barbara	Cabrillo College
California Polytechnic	UC Santa Cruz	College of the Siskiyous
Grinnell College	University of New Mexico	De Anza College
Lewis and Clark	University of Oregon	Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising, San Francisco
MIT	West Point Naval Academy	Feather River Community College
Neumont	Yale	Northwest Lineman Academy
Ohio State		Pacific Union College
Oregon State		Santa Barbara City College
Sacramento State		Truckee Meadows Community College
San Diego State		Universal Technical Institute
San Francisco State		

### Extracurricular Opportunities

**Sports:** Baseball, Basketball, Cheerleading, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Soccer, Softball, Swim Team, Track and Field, Wrestling, Volleyball  
**Academic Decathlon**

