

SOUTH ANCHORAGE HIGH SCHOOL – School Profile 2024/2025

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MISSION STATEMENT

South Anchorage High School is a dynamic learning community with high expectations, encouraging everyone to learn, achieve, and succeed.

As South Anchorage High School (SAHS) enters its 21st year as a comprehensive high school in the Anchorage School District, students, staff, parents, and community members praise the school for the high levels of academic achievement that our students have realized. The school has an exceptional academic program with a full complement of advanced placement classes in all curricular areas. We also offer honors language arts and social studies classes, three world languages, and specialized fine arts, music, and career technology courses. Additionally, SAHS students have numerous interscholastic athletic opportunities, as well as a host of clubs and other programs that are available to them to help broaden their educational experience.

Our Civic Leadership Program is the first dual credit pathway in the Anchorage School District. Students must apply to the program before their sophomore year. Once accepted, students will enroll in dual credit social studies and English classes in grades 10-12. Students complete 80+ hours of community service with a local non-profit organization, which culminates in a capstone research paper and presentation that outlines the impact of their project in the community. The goal of the program is to encourage critical inquiry, research methods, and written and oral communication skills in order to prepare students to make a positive impact on their community. The dual credit grades are not weighted.

South has an outstanding faculty, which includes masters-level, doctoral-level, and National Board-certified instructors. Our teachers consistently work to ensure that all of their instructional activities are standards-based, rigorous, and relevant. The staff at SAHS is committed to helping each student achieve his or her unique academic potential in a safe, welcoming learning environment.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Language Arts	4 credits
Social Studies	4 credits
Science	3 credits
Mathematics	3 credits
Physical Education	1.5 credits
General Electives	7 credits

TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED 22.5 credits

MARKING SYSTEM

A	Superior	4.0	90-100%
B	Above Average	3.0	80-89%
C	Average	2.0	70-79%
D	Below Average	1.0	60-69%
F	Failing	0.0	0-59%
WF	Withdraw Failing		
K	Waiver of PE credit		
J	Audit		

TRANSCRIPTING NOTES

AP courses are weighted (A=5.0 points on a 4.0 scale), with the exception of F.

Class rank and grade point average are computed at the end of each semester. All courses on a transcript are used to determine rank and GPA.

SPECIALIZED PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corp
Civic Leadership Program
Community Service Engagement Clubs
Fine Arts (visual and performance)
Gifted Mentorship
Migrant and Indian Education Support
Peer Mentorship
Project Lead the Way Engineering Program

CIVIC LEADERSHIP PROGRAM DUAL CREDIT

CLGE Philosophy (=college-level sophomore English)
CLGE Western Civilizations 1, 2
CLGE United States History 1, 2
CLGE Political Science
CLGE Introduction to Literature
CLGE Writing Across Contexts

ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES

AP Biology
AP Calculus AB
AP Chemistry
AP Economics Macro
AP Environmental Science
AP French
AP German
AP Language and Composition
AP Literature and Composition
AP Physics I
AP Pre-Calculus
AP Psychology
AP Seminar
AP Spanish
AP Statistics
AP U.S. History
AP World History

ATHLETICS (4A DIVISION)

Baseball
Basketball
Bowling
Cheerleading
Cross-Country Running
Cross-Country Skiing
Flag Football
Football
Gymnastics
Hockey
Riflery
Soccer
Softball
Swimming/Diving
Tennis
Track & Field
Volleyball
Wrestling

CLASS OF 2025

Class size 310

TOTAL ENROLLMENT

1,308

SAHS 24/25 DEMOGRAPHICS

Alaska Native	6%
Asian	5%
Black	2%
Hispanic	9%
Multi-Ethnic	13%
Pacific Islander	2%
White	63%



PRINCIPAL – Luke Almon, Ed.D.
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL, CURRICULUM – Jocelyn Hemenway
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL, ACTIVITIES – Willie Overgaard
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL, FRESHMAN ACADEMY – Natalie Foley

