Northwood High School is one of the five comprehensive high schools in Irvine, CA. Located in the upper-middle class suburban neighborhood of Northwood, we are a WASC accredited, California Distinguished School and US Department of Education Blue Ribbon School that currently serves over 2,200 students grades 9 through 12. NHS addresses a range of needs, from the gifted to the developmentally impaired, with a student-centered focus. While our profile touts the skills and abilities of our university bound students, we take great pride in our entire community of NHS learners whose talents, though varied, are limitless.

SCHEDULING
NHS operates on an alternating block schedule where courses meet for 90 minutes every other day. Semester classes are 18 weeks and year long classes are 36 weeks. Students are limited to 6 classes per semester with an exception of those students participating in Performing Arts, Athletics, Leadership, MUN, Newspaper, Speech and Debate, or Yearbook.

CORE CURRICULUM
Students in grades 9 and 10 are expected to complete a curricular core that includes: Humanities: World Literature and World History (grade 9), Humanities: American Literature and United States History (grade 10), Mathematics, Integrated Science 1 (grade 9) and Integrated Science 2 (grade 10), and either a World Language or a Visual and Performing Arts course. In addition, freshmen must complete two semesters of physical education.

FORENSIC CORE
The Forensics Core is a distinct, year-long cross-curricular honors program that sets out to investigate criminal behavior through scientific, psychological, and philosophical lenses. This inquiry-based program consists of three courses: Forensic Science, Forensic Psychology, and Critical Theory and Literature and immerses students in a transdisciplinary experience devoted to developing a well-rounded understanding of human behavior.

GRADING SCALE
Students are awarded 5 credits for a passing grade in each semester course. The minimum passing grade for each course is a D-.

Grade points are awarded as follows: A=4, B=3, C=2, D=1, F=0
Weighted grade points are awarded as follows: A=5, B=4, C=3, D=1, F=0

RANKING
The Irvine Unified School District prohibits the numerical ranking of students. NHS will provide percentile range rankings when requested by universities and scholarship organizations.

Highest Grade Point Average:
Class of 2016…4.56
Class of 2017…4.51

COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS
Over 85% of graduating seniors will complete a minimum college preparatory course of studies. In addition, over 75% of NHS graduates will complete an additional year of advanced mathematics, laboratory science, and world language.
HONORS AND ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES

NHS offers a rich array of Honors courses in the 9th and 10th grades leading to weighted Honors and Advanced Placement opportunities primarily in grades 11 and 12. Teacher recommendations are required for all Honors and AP classes.

Honors


Advanced Placement


*Denotes courses receiving a weighted grade point and are noted on the transcript with a “+” preceding the course title.

CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT

NHS is centrally located between UC Irvine and multiple community colleges. Some students augment their course loads with transferable college level courses. We believe that concurrent college course work expands and enriches a college-bound student’s opportunity to explore areas of personal interest. In addition, under a new agreement with Chapman University students can complete Math 110 (Single Variable Calculus I) and Math 111 (Single Variable Calculus II) on the NHS campus while earning units at Chapman University. Prior to the 2017-18 school year, NHS partnered with CSU Fullerton and students could complete Math 150 A and 150 B: Analytic Geometry and Calculus. As with any concurrent coursework, students are advised to list courses on their application and forward an official college transcript.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT DATA

GRADUATION DATA

63% of our 2017 graduates chose to attend a four-year university, while 36% elected to attend community colleges or technical schools.

The Class of 2017 had a 99.9% graduation rate with 522 students meeting graduation requirements.

SAT 2016-2017

New SAT
Read/Write: 654
Math: 696
Total: 1349

ACT 2016-2017

English: 28.3
Math: 28.7
Reading: 27.6
Science: 26.8
Total: 28.0

NATIONAL MERIT

Commended Scholars Class of 2018…103
Semi-Finalists Class of 2018…26
Finalists Class of 2017…22

AP EXAMS MAY 2017

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College Matriculation for the Class of 2017

Community College
- Bergen Community College
- Coconino County Community College
- Cypress College
- Irvine Valley College
- Orange Coast College
- Saddleback College
- Santa Monica College

California State University
- California State Polytechnic University, Pomona
- California Polytechnic State University, SLO
- California State University, Bakersfield
- California State University, Fullerton
- California State University, Long Beach
- California State University, Northridge
- San Diego State University
- San Francisco State University
- San Jose State University

University of California
- University of California, Berkeley
- University of California, Davis
- University of California, Irvine
- University of California, Los Angeles
- University of California, Riverside
- University of California, San Diego
- University of California, Santa Barbara
- University of California, Santa Cruz

California Private College and University
- Academy of Art University
- Art Center College of Design
- Biola University
- California Institute of Technology
- Chapman University
- Claremont McKenna College
- La Sierra University
- Laguna College of Art and Design
- Loyola Marymount University
- University of the Pacific
- Pepperdine University
- Pitzer College
- Point Loma Nazarene University
- University of Redlands
- University of San Diego
- University of San Francisco
- Santa Clara University
- University of Southern California
- Stanford University
- Vanguard University of Southern California
- California Northstate University

Out of State Public University
- The University of Alabama
- University of Arkansas
- Arizona State University
- The University of Arizona
- Northern Arizona University
- University of Colorado at Boulder
- Colorado State University
- University of Hawaii at Manoa
- University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- Indiana University at Bloomington
- Purdue University
- University of Massachusetts, Amherst
- University of Maryland, College Park
- University of Michigan
- University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
- University of Missouri Columbia
- University of North Carolina at Wilmington
- University at Buffalo
- The Ohio State University
- University of Oregon
- Southern Oregon University
- Pennsylvania State University
- University of Pittsburgh
- University of South Carolina
- The University of Texas, Austin
- University of Utah
- University of Washington

Out of State Private College and University
- Barnard College
- Baylor University
- Berklee College of Music
- Boston University
- Brigham Young University
- Brown University
- Clark University
- Columbia University
- Duke University
- Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University-Prescott
- Fordham University
- Johns Hopkins University
- Liberty University
- Marquette University
- Moody Bible Institute
- New York University
- Northeastern University
- Northwestern University

Out of Country University
- Waseda University School of International Liberal Studies
- University of Toronto Undergraduate
- London South Bank University

Other (undecided, military, job)
- Oregon Institute of Technology
- Pacific University
- Pratt Institute
- Rhode Island School of Design
- Rice University
- Saint Joseph's University
- School of the Art Institute of Chicago
- Seattle Pacific University
- Southern Methodist University
- Syracuse University
- Temple University
- The George Washington University
- The Juilliard School
- The New School - All Divisions
- Trinity University
- United States Air Force Academy
- United States Military Academy - Army
- University of Pennsylvania
- Vanderbilt University
- Washington University in St. Louis
- Yale University

Community College 36%
California State University 9%
University of California 19%
California Private College or University 11%
Out of State Public Universities 12%
Out of State Private College and University 11%
Out of Country University 1%
Other (undecided, military, job) 1%