



The Palmdale Aerospace Academy

School Profile 2025 – 2026

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ACCREDITATION

The Palmdale Aerospace Academy is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC).

Our School

The Palmdale Aerospace Academy (TPAA) is located in Palmdale, California, and serves students in grades 6 – 12. Palmdale sits on the northern edge of Los Angeles County and is located in the Antelope Valley, also known as the “Aerospace Valley.” In the fall of 2019, TPAA opened doors to its elementary school campus which is located adjacent to the middle and high school campus.

Our Mission

We are committed to academic excellence. Guided by the principles and innovation of the aerospace industry, the educational program integrates STEAM-focused learning with real-world applications, providing opportunities for students to design, create, and explore. Through industry-inspired learning experiences and partnerships with aerospace employers, local community colleges, and other partners, students will develop the skills and mindset needed to innovate, adapt, and excel in a rapidly evolving world.

Our Vision

The vision of the Academy is to provide an engaging environment for learning in grades TK-12. Our graduates will be supported, encouraged, and challenged to develop the following competencies that they will use for the rest of their lives:

- Ethical, responsible citizens who lead with integrity
- Flexible, adaptable, imaginative, and resilient life-long learners
- Creators and innovators who are artistic and technologically literate
- Empathetic and compassionate individuals
- Effective communicators, critical thinkers, and problem solvers

Graduation Requirements

TPAA’s academic program is organized on a traditional schedule. All students attend six classes per day for 58 minutes each period.

Two semesters comprise the academic year for which students complete a maximum of 30 credits each semester. Students are required to earn a minimum of 230 credits with a letter grade of “D” or better in each of the subject domains below:

English	40 credits
Mathematics	30 credits
Social Science	30 credits
Laboratory Science	30 credits
Foreign Language other than English	20 credits
Visual and Performing Arts	10 credits
Health/Human Interactions	5 credits
Ethnic Studies	0 credits
College Preparatory / STEM Electives	30 credits
General Electives	35 credits

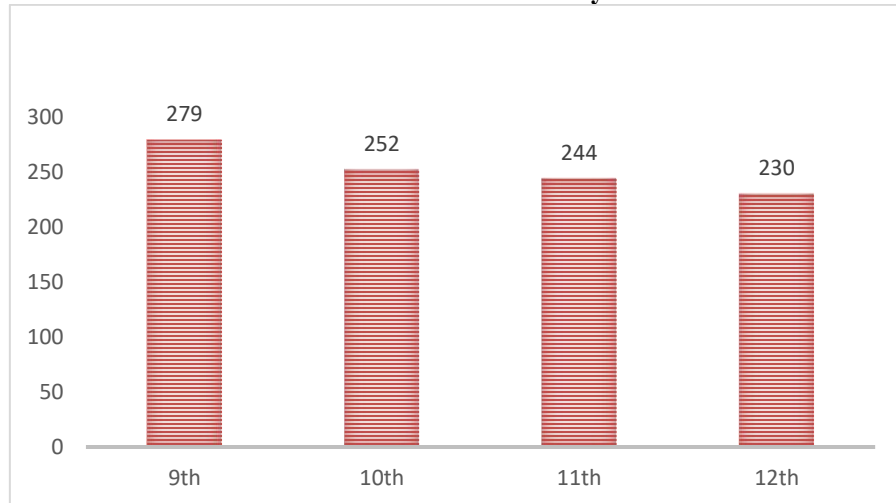
Calculation of Grade Point Average (GPA)

GPA is weighted to consider honors and all advanced placement (AP) courses. Grades for AP and honors courses are computed on a five-point scale and are designated on the transcript with the letters AP or H. GPA averages are sorted in numerical order to determine class rank.

TPAA Class of 2024 College Matriculation

- California Community Colleges
- Antelope Valley College
- College of the Canyons
- California State Universities
- Acceptances to all 23 CSU campuses including:
 - MIT
 - Cal Poly San Luis Obispo
 - Fresno State
 - CSU Fullerton
 - Cal State LA
 - CSU Long Beach
 - San Diego State
 - San Jose State
 - University of California:
 - Berkeley
 - Irvine
 - Merced
 - Riverside
 - San Diego
 - Santa Barbara
 - Santa Cruz
 - Los Angeles
 - Grand Canyon University
 - Arizona State University
 - Montana State University
 - Texas A&M University
 - Seattle Pacific University
 - University of Kansas
 - National University
 - Hawai'i Pacific University
 - Western Washington University
 - William Penn University
 - Johnson & Wales University
 - Northern Arizona University
 - Mount Marty College
 - Pepperdine University
 - Woodbury University

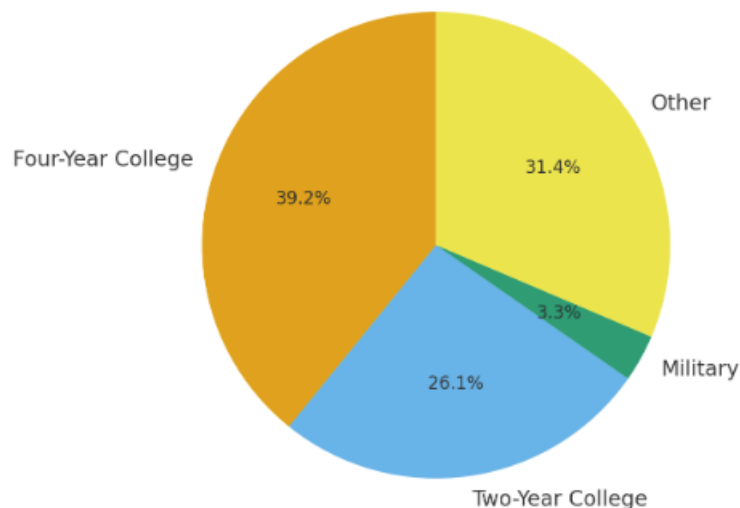
2024 – 2025 Student Enrollment by Grade



2024 – 2025 High School Honors & Advanced Placement Offerings

AP Art History	AP Environmental Science
AP Biology	AP European History
AP Calculus AB	AP Government
AP Calculus BC	AP Statistics
AP Chemistry	English 9 Honors
AP Computer Science	English 10 Honors
AP English Language and Composition	Honors Geometry-Trigonometry
AP English Literature and Composition	

Class of 2025 Matriculation



Standardized Testing

2025 SAT Mean Scores

Math	647
Critical Reading and Writing Total Score	623
	1270

2025 AP Exams

Total AP students	271
Number of AP exams taken	562
Number of AP students with qualifying scores	360