

# Highlands High School

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## SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

Highlands High School has a committed focus centered on Professional Learning Communities (PLCs), ensuring that students learn, teachers analyze results, and a culture of collaboration exists. Research-based effective teaching concepts and instructional strategies are integrated into each classroom.

Highlands High School has eight fully upgraded computer labs on site, SmartBoards in every classroom, as well as iPads, Surface Pros, and laptops available for all students to use. Highlands strives to be an advanced technological site that prepares students for life in the ever changing digital world.

## EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION

- Positive Coaching Alliance
- Parent Resource Center
- College & Career Center, College Outreach
- Building Effective Schools Together (BEST)
- UC Davis Educational Talent Search (ETS)
- American River College MASCOT
- SCOE - Cal-SOAP
- UCAN - historical black colleges and universities

## NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Football - playoffs 4 of past 6 years
- Basketball - playoffs 4 straight years
- Soccer - playoffs 3 of past 4 years
- AFJROTC- Silver Tier Top Team, Cyber Patriot Competition
- Ceramics and Art - displayed at the Crocker Art Museum
- Student art pieces awarded first place at the 2015 California State Fair
- CAASPP scores: 50% increase for math and 20% for ELA

## ADVANCED COURSEWORK

- AP Course Offerings:
  - Spanish Language and Culture
  - English Literature & Composition
  - Calculus AB
  - Statistics
  - Macroeconomics
  - United States History
  - European History
  - United States Government and Politics
  - Biology
- Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID)
- Digital Media Music
- Digital Media Production
- Computer Science Coding
- Digital Imaging & Photography
- Project Lead The Way (PLTW) Biomedical
- Project Lead The Way (PLTW) Engineering
- ROP Computer Graphics

## CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION

- Digital Media
  - game and design
  - coding and computer science
- Digital Imaging
  - computer graphics
- Project Lead The Way (PLTW) Engineering
  - Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) readiness
- Education Pathway (future teachers)
- Green Engine
  - diesel, biofuel

