



Menlo School Profile 2005-2006

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THE SCHOOL

Menlo School is an independent, coeducational, college preparatory day school serving grades 6-12. The Upper School enrolls 551 students, and the Middle School (grades 6, 7 and 8) enrolls 217. Established in 1915, Menlo School is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges and is a member of the National and California Associations of Independent Schools.

Menlo School is dedicated to providing a challenging academic curriculum complemented by outstanding fine arts and athletic programs. The School helps students develop positive values and nurtures character development in a supportive environment that upholds the highest moral and ethical standards. Menlo's program encourages students to reach their fullest potential and to develop the skills necessary to respond intelligently and humanely to the complexities of a diverse world.

FINANCIAL AID

Menlo School seeks to attract talented students of varied socio-economic backgrounds. This year \$1.8 million in aid was awarded to 15% of the student body.

FACULTY AND ADMINISTRATION

There are 84 full-time and 12 part-time members of the faculty and administration, the majority of whom hold advanced degrees (53 Master's, 11 Ph.D.'s, and 2 J.D.'s). The average class size is 17 students in the Middle School and 15 in the Upper School.

GRADING AND CLASS RANK

Grade point average (GPA) is calculated using all courses with the exception of Physical Education (PE) and courses taken on a pass/fail basis. In the Upper School, GPA is cumulative from the fall semester of freshman year. Plus and minus grades are weighted (e.g. B+ = 3.33, B- = 2.67). Upper School students receive an extra .3 of credit for each Honors or Advanced Placement (AP) course. Students are not ranked.

AP Results: In the spring of 2005, 261 students took 690 College Board AP Exams; 61% of the scores were 4s and 5s, and 87% were 3s or better.

COURSE OFFERINGS

ENGLISH (4 years required)
English 101 English 102
ELECTIVES: All juniors will take AP English and all seniors take elective seminars.
American Landscapes Literary Non-Fiction
Austen and the Brontes Love & Desire: Shakespeare
Black Diaspora Native American Literature
British Literature to 1798 Noir Analysis
British Literature after 1798 Poetry
Colored Film Screen Writing
Fantastical Fiction Shakespeare
Fiction Writing Society and Self
Film, Literature and Illusion Tragedy
Humor and Satire Toni Morrison

HISTORY and SOCIAL SCIENCES (3 years required)
World Religions U.S. History or AP U.S. History
Modern World History
ELECTIVES:
AP Economics Contemporary American Issues
AP European History Introduction to Law
AP Government Latino Studies
19th & 20th Century Art Philosophy
Art and World Cultures Sociology of Service
Asian Studies

FOREIGN LANGUAGE (3 years required)
French 1, 2, 3, 3H, 4, 5, AP Language, AP Literature
Japanese 1, 2, 3, 4, 4H
Latin 1, 2, 3, 3H, 4, AP Vergil
Spanish 1, 2, 3, 3H, 4, 5, AP Language, AP Literature

MATHEMATICS (3 years required)
Algebra 1 Statistics
Algebra 2 AP Statistics
Algebra 2H Senior Calculus
Geometry AP Calculus AB
Geometry H AP Calculus BC
Pre-Calculus Advanced Topics in
Foundations of Calculus H Mathematics H

SCIENCE (3 years required)
Physics AP Biology
Chemistry Anatomy and Physiology
Biology Electronics/Robotics
AP Physics B Bio-Tech/Science Research
AP Physics C Forensics Science
AP Chemistry

FINE ARTS (1-1/2 years required)
Drama Chamber Orchestra
Advanced Drama Studio Art
Chorus Advanced Art
Select Mixed Chorus AP Art Portfolio
Select Women's Chorus Jazz Dance
Jazz Band Advanced Jazz Dance
Advanced Jazz Band Photography
AP Music Theory Advanced Photography

ELECTIVES:
Yearbook AP Computer Science
Journalism Movie Making 1 & 2
Introduction to Computer Engineering
Programming

FRESHMAN ROTATION (required)
Introduction to the Arts Decision Making
Freshman Seminar Orientation
Health and Wellness

20 hours of Community Service is required every year.
Independent Study is widely available for self-directed learners.

GPA & SAT Reasoning Test Scores for the Class of 2005

Quintile #	Students	GPA		Mean SAT Scores	
		Mean GPA	Range GPA	Verbal	Math
1st	27	3.952	3.846-4.095	720	734
2nd	26	3.740	3.613-3.845	702	670
3rd	27	3.506	3.402-3.611	647	657
4th	26	3.250	3.109-3.398	617	628
5th	27	2.880	2.171-3.106	590	613
overall	133	3.47	2.171-4.095	644	658

SAT Subject Test Scores for the Class of 2005

Subject	Mean Score	# of students	Subject	Mean Score	# of students
Literature	598	43	Chemistry	629	11
Math IC	633	107	Physics	717	13
Math IIC	680	52	French	657	14
U.S. History	640	55	Latin	693	17
Biology-E	637	12	Spanish	667	24

NATIONAL MERIT COMPETITION

In the Class of 2005, eight students were named National Merit Semi-Finalists; seven became Finalists. Seven students from the Class of 2006 have been named National Merit Semi-Finalists.

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES FOR MEMBERS OF THE CLASSES OF 2003, 2004 AND 2005

Adelphi University - 1 Alabama State University - 2 American University - 8 Amherst College - 6 Arizona, University of - 20 Arizona State University - 10 Asia & the Pacific, University of - 1 Azusa Pacific University - 1 Babson College - 1 Bard College - 2 Barnard College - 4 Bates College - 1 Beloit College - 2 Bennett College - 1 Bennington College - 3 Berklee College of Music - 1 Boston College - 16 Boston University - 21 Bowdoin College - 5 Brigham Young University - 1 Brown University - 10 Bryn Mawr College - 2 Bucknell University - 16 California College of Arts & Crafts - 1 California, University of: Berkeley - 61 California, University of: Davis - 98 California, University of: Irvine - 31 California, University of: Los Angeles - 68 California, University of: Merced - 3 California, University of: Riverside - 16 California, University of: San Diego - 80 California, University of: Santa Barbara - 82 California, University of: Santa Cruz - 53 California Institute of the Arts - 1 California Institute of Technology - 3 California Lutheran University - 1 California State Poly, Pomona - 6 California State Poly, SLO - 15 California State University: Bakersfield - 1 California State University: Chico - 4 California State University: Fresno - 1 California State University: Fullerton - 1 California State University: Hayward - 2 California State University: Long Beach - 3 California State University: Los Angeles - 2 California State University: Monterey Bay - 1 California State University: Sacramento - 2 Carleton College - 4 Carnegie Mellon University - 6 Case Western Reserve University - 3 Chapman University - 6 Chicago, University of - 9 Claremont McKenna College - 16 Clark Atlanta University - 3 Clark University - 2 Cleveland Institute of Music - 1 Colby College - 1 Colgate University - 14 Colorado College - 2	Colorado State University - 2 Colorado, University of - 77 Columbia University - 6 Connecticut College - 6 Cornell University - 8 Dartmouth College - 7 Davidson College - 5 Denison University - 8 Denver, University of - 10 DePaul University - 2 Depauw University - 4 Dickinson College - 3 Dominican College - 1 Duke University - 9 Earlham College - 2 Eckerd College - 3 Emerson College - 1 Emory University - 16 Eugene Lang College - 3 Evergreen State University - 1 Fairfield University - 1 Fordham University - 4 Franklin & Marshall College - 1 George Fox University - 1 George Washington University - 10 Georgetown University - 11 Georgia Institute of Technology - 1 Gettysburg College - 4 Gonzaga University - 5 Gordon College - 1 Goucher College - 3 Grambling State University - 3 Grinnell College - 2 Gustavus Adolphus College - 2 Hamilton College - 3 Hampshire College - 3 Hartwick College - 1 Harvard University - 9 Haverford College - 2 Hawaii, University of: Manoa - 2 Hobart & William Smith Colleges - 5 Howard University - 3 Illinois, University of, at Chicago - 1 Indiana University - 5 Iowa, University of - 1 Ithaca College - 2 Johns Hopkins University - 4 Johnson C. Smith University - 1 Julliard School - 1 Kansas, University of - 1 Kalamazoo College - 3 Kenyon College - 1 Lake Forest College - 1 LaVerne, University of - 1 Lehigh University - 7 Lewis & Clark College - 15 Linfield College - 1 Loyola Marymount University - 25 Loyola University New Orleans - 1	Macalester College - 2 Manhattanville College - 2 Mannes College of Music - 1 Marquette University - 1 Maryland, University of - 1 Massachusetts Institute of Technology - 2 Massachusetts, University of - 1 McGill University - 2 Miami University, Ohio - 3 Miami, University of - 1 Michigan State University - 1 Michigan, University of - 26 Middlebury College - 3 Mills College - 1 Minnesota, University of - 2 Mississippi, University of - 1 Missouri, University of - 1 Morehouse University - 2 Morgan State University - 2 Mount Holyoke College - 3 New England Conservatory of Music - 1 New Hampshire, University of - 1 New York University - 5 North Carolina, University of - 1 Northeastern University - 4 Northwestern University - 11 Notre Dame, University of - 2 Oberlin College - 7 Occidental College - 18 Ohio Wesleyan University - 1 Oregon State University - 2 Oregon, University of - 26 Pace University - 1 Pacific Lutheran University - 1 Pacific, University of the - 8 Paine College - 2 Pennsylvania, University of - 12 Pepperdine University - 8 Pitzer College - 12 Pomona College - 10 Portland, University of - 1 Princeton University - 11 Providence College - 2 Puget Sound, University of - 23 Purdue University - 3 Redlands, University of - 20 Reed College - 5 Regis College - 1 Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute - 1 Rhode Island School of Design - 1 Rice University - 2 Richmond, University of - 5 Ripon College - 1 Rochester, University of - 2 Rollins College - 1 Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology - 1 Saint Andrews, University of - 2 St. John's College - 1 St. Lawrence University - 3	Saint Mary's College - 11 San Diego State University - 6 San Diego, University of - 27 San Francisco State University - 3 San Francisco, University of - 5 San Jose State University - 10 Santa Clara University - 22 Sarah Lawrence College - 5 Savannah College of Art & Design - 1 Scripps College - 6 Seattle Pacific University - 1 Seattle University - 4 Skidmore College - 8 Smith College - 4 South Carolina State University - 1 Southern California, University of - 98 Southern Methodist University - 27 Southern University - 2 Southwestern University - 1 Stanford University - 45 Stonehill College - 1 Swarthmore College - 1 Syracuse University - 5 Texas, University of - 2 Trinity College (CT) - 4 Trinity University (TX) - 15 Tufts University - 9 Tulane University - 24 Tulsa, University of - 1 Union College - 2 Ursinus College - 1 Valparaiso University - 1 Vanderbilt University - 14 Vassar College - 6 Vermont, University of - 2 Villanova University - 11 Virginia, University of - 2 Wagner College - 1 Wake Forest University - 2 Washington & Jefferson College - 2 Washington & Lee University - 2 Washington University (MO) - 22 Washington, University of - 15 Wellesley College - 7 Wesleyan University - 2 Western Washington University - 1 Westmont College - 1 Wheaton College (MA) - 1 Whitman College - 6 Whittier College - 8 Willamette University - 22 William and Mary, College of - 2 Williams College - 3 Wisconsin, University of - 4 Wooster, College of - 4 Xavier University - 3 Yale University - 5
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