



JOHN MUIR HIGH SCHOOL

School Leadership

Principal: Timothy Sippel

Assistant Principals: Brian James, Gloria Rodriguez

Pathway Lead Teachers: Roland Bynum, Phillip Hoge & Michael Watter

Counselors: Dr. Ben Aroyan, Dr. Nancy Gonzalez Heusser & Micah Williams-Brodi

Community Assistant: Patricia Venegas

Facts About Our School

Grades Served: 9-12

Number of Students: 900

Year Built: 1926

School Hours: 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

School Colors: Blue and Gold

School Mascot: Mustang

Awards

2016 PUSD Principal of the Year: Timothy Sippel

2016 Gates Millennium Scholar: Prakash Dass

2015 Gates Millennium Scholar and Edison Scholar: Kimberly Mejia

2015 TEDx Pasadena Women Featured Speaker: Connie Martinez

2015 LULAC Teacher of the Year: Cynthia Lake

2015 Fefferman Teacher Award Finalists: Sumita Luthria, Eugene Mahmoud, and Bharatchandra Parekh

2013 Pathway Certification: Engineering and Environmental Science Academy

2013 LULAC Principal of the Year: Timothy Sippel

2012 Milken Educator Award: Manuel Rustin

2011 Pathway Certification: Arts, Entertainment & Media; Business & Entrepreneurship

What Makes Our School Unique?

John Muir High School is a dynamic school community that offers students the opportunity to take a large range of Advanced Placement and dual-enrollment college courses while also engaging them in one of three College and Career Pathways: Engineering and Environmental Science, Business and Entrepreneurship, and Arts, Entertainment and Media. John Muir's students utilize state-of-the-art technology, compete in interscholastic athletics, participate in a rich after school program, and access an extensive array of college, business, and community partnerships. John Muir offers students the opportunity to be a part of the rich legacy of Pasadena's most historic high school. We embrace each student as a member of the Mustang family, challenging and supporting them to realize their fullest potential.

What Does Our School Offer?

Advanced Placement Courses: English Language, English Literature, World History, US History, Calculus AB, Biology, Physics 1, Environmental Science, Spanish Language & Culture, Art History, Studio Art, and Psychology. The Puente Honors classes for freshmen and sophomores are an excellent preparation for all college-level courses.

Early College program with Pasadena City College (PCC): Beginning as freshmen, all students have the opportunity to take college courses for dual-enrollment credit. Highly-motivated students can elect to take a complete "Early College" sequence of PCC courses on our campus and thereby have the opportunity to graduate with a high school diploma concurrent with an Associate's Degree. School and district staff continually collaborate with PCC to refine and enhance this exciting program.

College and Career Academies: John Muir High School is the only high school to offer wall-to-wall College and Career Academies and has been the pioneer of many programs that prepare our students for success after high school. Our students choose to follow one of the three academies (Arts, Entertainment and Media, Business and Entrepreneurship, or the Engineering and Environmental Science Academy), each of which blend rigorous college preparatory academic study with a demanding sequence of career technical courses.

Academy and Elective Courses: Aerospace Engineering, Business Ethics, Business Management & Entrepreneurship, Ceramics, Chorus, Digital Electronics, Digital Photography, Engineering and Design Development, Film and Video Production, Graphic Design, Jazz Ensemble, Newspaper & Multimedia Journalism, Marching Band, Marketing, Orchestra, Principles of Engineering, Principles of Finance, Robotics Engineering, Studio Art, Urban Culture & Society, and Yearbook.

Students at John Muir join a community that shares a **rich history of Mustang pride** and they benefit from **strong alumni** backing. John Muir is alma mater to many notable alumni, including baseball great Jackie Robinson, award-winning author Octavia Butler, former California Attorney General John Van de Kamp, Olympic Gold Medalist Inger Miller, and many more. The new generation of Mustangs are preparing themselves to accomplish even greater things—come be a part of it!



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Parent Options

Parent, Teacher & Student Association (PTSA), Pathway Advisory Boards, Athletic Boosters, School Site Council, and English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC).

Sports Options

Football, Volleyball, Basketball, Soccer, Swimming, Baseball, Softball, Cross Country, and Track & Field.

Club Options

Associated Student Body, Black Student Union, The Blazer (student-run newspaper), Generation Green, Green Club, Jazz Ensemble, MESA, Movie Club, Muir Ranch, Solar Cup, and Wild Horses Literary Magazine.

Community Leadership

School Board Representative:

Adrienne Ann Mullen, Ed.D.

City Council Representative:

Tyron Hampton

Attendance Area and Open Enrollment

John Muir High School is a school of residence with an attendance area of families who have the privilege of enrolling based on their home address. Visit www.pusd.us to see if your family resides in the attendance area. Families not residing in the school's area may apply through the District's annual Open Enrollment process. Please check openenrollment.info for more information, including how to apply online.

Top 10 Reasons to Choose Muir High School

1. Students at John Muir High School benefit from an amazing academic program, with a **full offering of advanced placement courses** that allow students to **earn college credit** while still in high school. Combining AP courses with our Career & Technical Education courses, JMHS offers students college-level curriculum.
2. The **three academy pathways** (Arts, Entertainment & Media; Business & Entrepreneurship; and Engineering & Environmental Science) give students opportunities to explore competitive careers through coursework and job internships, preparing ALL students for college and career with teachers and counselors who know them, genuinely care about them, and are committed to their future.
3. Adults on campus, the principal, office staff, counselors, teachers, cafeteria workers and custodians—everyone's primary job here is to serve students. This is why at Muir, students experience a **sense of family within a safe community**.
4. All freshmen and sophomores receive **daily computerized math instruction** targeted at their individual learning goals for remediation AND advancement, in addition to daily instruction based on the new rigorous math standards.
5. Muir's **active alumni association**, as represented by the Hall of Fame, keeps alive a tradition that inspires students to be active in the community after they graduate. This legacy is built on a strong and proud network that begins in Pasadena and continues throughout Los Angeles and beyond.
6. The **Muir Ranch** (community garden) allows students to study an entire eco-system, AND provides access to locally grown produce for the Pasadena community.
7. Students contribute to the **creative** beautification of the campus by designing and painting murals.
8. JMHS has the biggest campus in PUSD. The **open space** gives students room to take in the fresh mountain air and regroup between classes.
9. Muir's **athletic program** is renowned throughout the state for producing a tremendous number of collegiate and professional athletes.
10. John Muir High School is the best-kept secret in PUSD: **PRIDE, TRADITION, EXCELLENCE!**

Community and Business Partners

Pasadena City College, Pasadena Education Foundation, Pasadena Chamber of Commerce, Aerospace Corporation, Armory Center for the Arts, Cal State LA Upward Bound, Caltech, Cerritos College, Dodgers Foundation, FIDM, Flintridge Center, Foothill WIB, JMHS Alumni Association, JPL, Lightbringer Project, Lincoln Restaurant, Los Angeles Dodgers, MPYD, NATHA, City of Pasadena, Northrup Grumman, Pasadena LEARNs, Perry's Joint, Tournament of Roses, UCLA Early Academic Outreach Program, Pankow Builders, and Parsons.