



LONG BEACH POLYTECHNIC HIGH SCHOOL

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Long Beach Polytechnic High School is nationally known as the *Home of Scholars and Champions*. Every student at Poly becomes a part of the Poly family, united by a 114 year tradition of excellence. Poly takes pride in developing the potential of all students through great teaching and coaching, preparing them to pursue postsecondary education and to become leaders in their careers. More Poly students are accepted annually to the UC system than from any other school in the area and many Poly students go on to other prestigious universities. Poly students enjoy rich, expanded learning opportunities, including our Grammy Award winning music program, over 120 student-centered clubs, and the *Number One Athletic High School in America* as determined by *Sports Illustrated Magazine* in May, 2005. On the Poly campus, students thrive in a rose garden of diversity. All Poly Academies and Special Programs provide students with the opportunity to complete A-G requirements necessary for Cal State and UC admissions.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Students must apply for these Special Programs by completing "Step 4" on the High School Application



Poly PACE is a nationally recognized, college-preparatory program that has been providing academic excellence since its inception thirty-five years ago. Each year, PACE graduates are accepted into the most prestigious colleges and universities in the U.S. Our exceptional faculty works together to teach our students the essential skills that they require for continued success in college and beyond.

Admission to PACE is based upon applicants' middle school standardized test scores and GPA.

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CIC is a college prep honors program with a global emphasis. It prepares students for college level academics and for success in a world economy. Students have the rare opportunity to learn Japanese and Chinese, languages which have been identified by the U. S. State Department as critical languages for the 21st Century. Graduates are accepted to the University of California system and to numerous private universities throughout the country. Only 175 students are accepted.

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The **Pacific Rim Academy**, a California Partnership Academy, was established at Poly in 1992. The academy, now a four year special program, will focus on smaller classes, college prep academics, and career courses in international trade and critical languages, such as Japanese and Chinese. Only 60 students will be accepted.

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SMALL LEARNING COMMUNITIES

Along with the three special programs, Long Beach Poly boasts four established small learning communities for incoming 9th graders. Every student not enrolled in PACE, CIC, or PAC RIM is a member of an academy. Students who live in the Poly attendance area are invited to apply to attend Poly and rank their 1st and 2nd choice for the academy that best matches their interests, on "Section A" of the High School Choice/Special Programs application. **Students who live outside the Poly attendance area are only able to attend Poly by applying to, and being accepted by, one of the three Special Programs.** All academies are designed to prepare students to enter college. Academy students work with a group of teachers, administrator, and counselor who carefully monitor the students and their progress. Any academy student has the choice to take honors AP courses in their 11th and 12 grade years.

Remember, only students who live in the Poly area are able to apply to these Poly Academies.



The **Beach Academy of Math and Science** is an academy that focuses on Energy and the Environment within the areas of Math and Science. The academy gives students the opportunity to take four years of math and science. It is the belief of the staff that students who take four years of math and science are better prepared to enter college. Each of the core classes within the Beach Academy takes a unique focus on the environment and alternative energies.

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In the **Humanities Academy**, each student will receive a Liberal Arts education in an environment that challenges students academically. Each Humanities student will have the opportunity to be in the AVID elective class, designed to provide support for students in their pursuit of qualifying for a four year university. The world is your canvas and you can enjoy careers in law, education, creative writing, psychology and more.

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The **Medical and Paramedical Services Academy** is a college prep program that prepares students for professional careers in cutting-edge medical and paramedical fields. An extensive offering of required and elective courses provide students with the tools to advance into college and/ or the medical field of their choice. Students are encouraged to take at least 2 ROP courses between 11th and 12th grade. Poly has numerous ROP offerings on campus.

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METS stands for Media, Entertainment, Technology and Sports. The academy focuses on careers that involve the entertainment, mass media, technology and sports businesses. METS prepares students for both career and college. Offerings include a variety of electives in technology, the entertainment field and the sports industry. These electives enhance students' knowledge of the many industries.

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