



Long Beach
Renaissance
High School
for the
Arts

235 E. 8th Street
Long Beach, CA 90813
562-901-0168 x 7233

www.lbusd.k12.ca.us/renaiss

PARENT VISITATION NIGHT

For school information and a school tour, please contact Renaissance at 562-901-0168 ex 7233.

SUCCESS IS AN ART

Long Beach Renaissance High School for the Arts provides a dynamic and innovative education that embraces and integrates arts, academics and technology with equity of access for promising young performers and artists. Students seeking arts careers can use their creative gifts while engaging in real life experiences that prepare them for on-stage, front of the camera and behind the scenes career opportunities.

OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS IN LBUSD

All students must apply. There is no attendance boundary. Eligible students receive pre-professional training by a staff of exemplary artist-teachers and professional guest teachers in all dance genres, theatre, technical theatre, stage and screen writing, television production, music technology, vocal music, instrumental music, (jazz band, piano, guitar) visual arts and design, and digital art. For admission requirements and information about the application process call (562) 901-0168 x7233.

ACADEMICS CHALLENGE STUDENTS

Although the focus is on the arts, the excellence instruction and rigorous curriculum cause more than 55% of graduates to meet the requirements for admission to major universities including the UC and CSU campuses. Advanced Placement (AP) classes are available. AP Calculus, AP Spanish Language and AP Spanish Literature, AP English Literature, AP Environmental Science, AP World History and AP Psychology, and of course, AP Studio Art and AP Art History complete a rigorous education.

SPECIALIZED CLASSES

The Renaissance Arts teachers know curriculum and standards-based education. The faculty has developed pilot classes unique to Renaissance. **Introduction to Scripting** allows young writers a chance to take an English elective as early as the freshman year. **Introduction to Video**

Production is available to ninth and tenth grade students only at RHSA. **Journalism** is part of the writing strand that links Scripting and School Annual with Video Productions. Students create, write, direct and produce projects. **Costume and Fashion Design** was developed for visual arts students at Renaissance who become an integral component of the many performances. Other new arts electives include: **Advanced Costuming, Jazz Band and Ceramics.**

AN ELITE EDUCATION

Long Beach Renaissance High School for the Arts was included in Newsweek (May, 2006, 2007 and 2008) magazine's list of the top 5% of public high schools in the nation. As Renaissance Arts High School moves into its sixth year, 2009, student achievement continues to improve at a tremendous rate. RHSA has made a spectacular achievement jump measured by the Academic Performance Index (API). This dramatic gain of 244 points in five years, 2004-2009, is unparalleled. Interdisciplinary school wide visual and performing arts projects increase student success. However, achievement scores alone do not begin to reveal the culture of learning that has been established on the Renaissance campus. A highly qualified faculty crafts unique artistic experiences. Students are creative, motivated and proud to be RHSA Stars; graduates are ready for top universities or artistic and technical careers.

AVID

The mission of the Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) is to ensure that all students succeed in rigorous curriculum, increase their enrollment in four-year universities, and become educated responsible participants and leaders in a democratic society. AVID is a regularly scheduled academic elective that is based on writing as a tool of learning, the inquiry method, and collaborative grouping. The three main components are academic instructional support, tutorial and motivating activities.

ACCESSIBLE TO STUDENTS AND FAMILIES

Renaissance Arts high School sits near stops for the Metro Rail train and Long Beach. Students and parents are welcomed on this small secure campus minutes away from museums, galleries and performance venues.

What's so special about Renaissance?

- Rigorous academic program with access to many honors and AP classes
- Immediate opportunities for freshman to get involved in visual, performing, and writing arts classes and events
- Approximately 500 students allowing for more personalized attention
- Support programs such as AVID and many early interventions including specialized tutorials
- Strong support from the arts community featuring master classes and arts related field trips
- Active Parent Council

- At Renaissance, ***“Success is an Art!”***

