



Tucson Unified School District
Cholla High School

School Profile 2023-2024
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Cholla High School (**CEEB Code: 030478**) is a comprehensive four-year public high school enrolling over 1,700 students in grades 9–12. The school opened in the Fall of 1969 and graduated its first senior class in the Spring of 1973. Cholla is the only high school in Tucson Unified School District (TUSD) to offer the IB Diploma Programme and the IB Career Related Programme, and the first IB World School in Pima County. Cholla is the only high school in TUSD to offer JROTC in addition to a thriving Fine Arts department, extensive CTE/JTED offerings and a full array of athletics.

Cholla is a part of Tucson Unified School District which serves the educational needs of Tucson, Arizona. Currently, the district consists of 11 high schools, 11 middle schools and 47 elementary schools utilizing a K–5, 6– 8, 9–12 grade-level configuration. In addition, there are 15 K-8 schools and 4 special program schools for a total of 88 schools.

Cholla High School draws students from across Tucson. Cholla's attendance boundary covers 100 square miles and includes two Native American reservations. The ethnic diversity of Cholla: African American 2.5%, Asian American < 1%, Hispanic 79%, Multiracial 1.8%, Native American 7.5% and White 8.0%.

Accreditation: Cholla High School is accredited by COGNIA through 2028. COGNIA uses research-based performance standards in their accreditation process. Cholla scored 300.50 on its latest accreditation process, as much as 22.0 points above the average. Arizona Department of Education awarded Cholla High School a letter grade of C.

Curriculum: Cholla High School offers a comprehensive curriculum. Cholla offers exceptional education and general courses to IB Prep (Honors) and IB DP courses. Honors courses are offered at the 9th and 10th grade in the following: English, Algebra, Geometry, Algebra II, Biology, Chemistry, and AP Human Geography, AP World History and two AP Computer Science classes. World Languages offered are Arabic, German, Spanish, Nativo Spanish and Pascua Yaqui language. In addition, dual-credit courses are available to students in Mathematics, History, and CTE.

Cholla High School has a 7-period day on M/T/F. Classes meet for 50 minutes, except Wednesdays and Thursdays when classes meet for 90 minutes on a modified block schedule. Given the 7- periods/semester, a student can graduate with up to 28 credit hours.

GPA/Class Rank: Grade point average and class rank are computed beginning with the Fall of the freshman year (unless the student completed high school courses while in middle school) and each semester thereafter (AP and IB DP courses are on a 5.0 scale). Both weighted and unweighted GPA are computed.

International Baccalaureate: Cholla has offered the IB Diploma Programme since authorization in 2007. The IB Career-Related Programme received authorization in 2024. IB courses are taught at two levels, Higher Level (HL) and Standard Level (SL). Cholla’s HL and SL offering are taught over two years, 11th and 12th grades. Therefore, students receive 240 teaching hours in both HL and SL courses. Students are enrolled as IB Diploma candidates (take all 7 courses and complete additional requirements), IB Career-Related Certificate candidates (take 2 IB academic courses, 1 CTE pathway and the IB Personal and Professional Skills course) or IB Course candidates (enrolled in one or more IB courses, but not required to complete the full Diploma or Career-Related Programme requirements). It is important to note: The IB Programme at Cholla is an open access program.

IB Course Offerings:

Group 1: Language A	English A: Literature HL Spanish A: Language and Literature SL
Group 2: Language B	Arabic ab initio SL German ab initio SL Spanish B SL
Group 3: Individuals and Societies	History of Americas HL
Group 4: Experimental Sciences	Biology SL Chemistry SL Environmental Systems and Societies SL
Group 5: Mathematics	Mathematical Analysis and Approaches SL Mathematical Applications and Interpretations SL
Group 6: The Arts	Music HL Theatre HL Visual Arts HL Psychology HL (New for 2023-34)

In addition to the above, Diploma candidates are required to take IB Theory of Knowledge, write the 4,000-word Extended Essay and complete Creativity, Activity and Service (CAS) components. Career Related candidates are required to take IB Personal and Professional Skills, complete community service, show language development beyond their home language, and complete a reflective project.

<p>Statistics for the Class of 2024 Class size: 314 Number of IB Diploma candidates: 3 Number of candidates who earned the Diploma: 0 Average points of candidates who earned the Diploma: NA Number of Course candidates: 57 Post-Secondary Placement: Four-year college/university: 41% Two-year college: 41% Vocational school: 5% Military: 3%</p>	<p>Statistics for the Class of 2025 Class Size: 377 Based on Unweighted GPA</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Above 3.5 GPA</td> <td>60</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3.0-3.4 GPA</td> <td>58</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2.5-2.9 GPA</td> <td>54</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2.0-2.5 GPA</td> <td>55</td> </tr> </table>	Above 3.5 GPA	60	3.0-3.4 GPA	58	2.5-2.9 GPA	54	2.0-2.5 GPA	55
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Graduation Requirements	
English.....	4 credits
Math.....	4 credits
Science	3 credits
Social Studies	3 credits
PE.....	1 credit
Health.....	0.5 credit
Fine Art/CTE	1 credit
Electives.....	6.5 credits
Total	23 credits