



Guajome Park Academy

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Academic Success



Life at Guajome

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Credit Requirements

○ Social Studies	30 credits
○ English	40 credits
○ Math (minimum Geometry)	30 credits
○ Life Science	10 credits
○ Physical Science	10 credits
○ Foreign Language	20 credits
○ Visual/Performing Art	10 credits
○ College Prep Elective	10 credits
○ PE	10 credits
○ Computer Literacy	10 credits
○ Electives	40 credits

Total

220 credits

10 credits = 1 year





Additional GPA Graduation Requirements

- **CAHSEE**
- **Personal Project (10th grade)**
- **Senior Exit Outcomes (12th grade)**
- **30 hours of Community Service**
- **Computer Literacy**
- **Minimum 2.0 grade point average**

CAHSEE

California High School Exit Exam

- This test covers **English Language Arts** and **Mathematics**
 - Math covers skills through Algebra 1
- Students will have several opportunities to pass the exam during their high school career.
 - First attempt: spring of **10th grade** year.
 - Two chances **11th grade** and three chances **12th grade**.
 - Once a portion is passed, the student does not need to take it again.
- For those students who do not pass either section of the exam they will be provided with additional assistance (i.e. Academic Support, online test preparation, etc)

University Requirements “A-G”



11 of the 15 requirements must be done by end of 11th grade

(a) History	2 years -World History -American History / U.S. Government
(b) English	4 years college prep
(c) Mathematics	3 years required (4 recommended) -Minimum: Algebra 2
(d) Science	2 years with lab (Biology, Chemistry, Physics) [3 recommended]
(e) Foreign Language	2 years same language (3 recommended)
(f) Visual / Performing Arts	1 year
(g) Elective	1 year



Earning Credits at GPA

- 5 credits per class per semester
- 30 credits/semester
- 60 credits/year

Session	9th	10th	11th	12th
Fall	30	30	30	30
Spring	30	30	30	30
TOTAL				

220 Credits = Graduation

Summer School may not be available,
so plan on passing all of your classes.



What is my Grade Point Average?

- Each letter grade is worth a certain point value

A = 4 points

B = 3 points

C = 2 points

D = 1 point

F = 0 points

(IB/AP COURSES GET AN ADDITIONAL POINT for A, B, C)

- Count how many A's, B's, C's, D's and F's you have and then add them up. Once you've added then divide by the number of classes you are taking.

Example: 2 - A's, 2 - B's, 1- C's and 1- D **$4+4+3+3+2+1 = 17$ Points**

$17 / 6$ Classes = 2.83 GPA

Extracurricular Activities/Eligibility

○ Athletes must have:

- At least a **2.0 GPA** (athletes are held responsible for maintaining a 2.0 each grading period)
- All players must have a clearance slip turned into their coach prior to the first practice
- For more information contact Mr. Findell (Athletic Director)



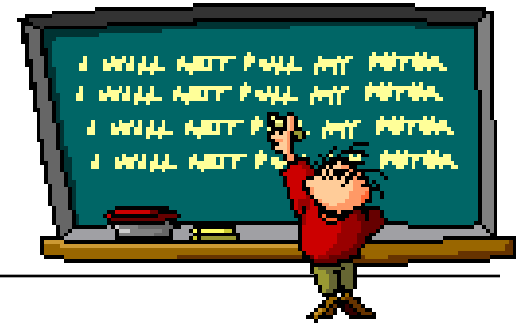
Student Intervention Policy

Administration regularly monitors individual student attendance, behavior, and academic standing. Intervention Action Plans are created for students who are non-compliant. Students who receive 3 Non-Compliance letters in a school year may be dismissed from GPA.

- Academics – minimum 2.0 at each progress report
- Attendance – minimum of 97% (Student Handbook pp. 16-18)
- Behavior – refer to Behavior Matrix (Student Handbook pp.30-32)



Discipline Record



- Best to avoid—think before you act!!!
- Refer to GPA rules and expectations.
- Most students graduate without a discipline issue.
- Colleges are now asking about discipline records.
- Can lead to an Intervention Action Plan and dismissal from GPA

How Can My Counselor Help Me?

- **Academic Counseling**
 - Planning for the future: 4 year plan
 - Organizational, study and test-taking skills, & goal setting
- **Personal Counseling**
 - Communication, problem-solving, decision-making, and conflict resolution
 - Peer relationships and effective social skills
- **College and Career Counseling**
 - Planning for careers and education beyond high school
 - Develop future plans for career
- **Referrals to Community Resources**

Your counselor is here to:

- Help you
- Listen to you when you need to vent
- Most importantly, to help you **succeed!**



Keys to Success

- Attendance
- Start with the end in mind
- Make sure to set aside time for studying
- Be prepared for class exams and projects (use your Agenda!)
- Break assignment apart into manageable pieces
- Communication with teachers, counselors, and family....Always ask questions if unsure!!!
- Keeping track of grades (Weekly progress report forms, Parent Portal)

**DO NOT WAIT UNTIL
THE LAST MINUTE!!!**



Remember!!!



- Start thinking about your future **NOW**
- As a high school student, all classes and **all grades COUNT!**
- Most **four-year colleges** look at 10th and 11th Grade grades and ALL academic classes taken for admissions purposes
- To progress on to some of the higher level classes next year (math, for example), you may need a grade of B or better
- For re-enrollment at GPA next year, you will need to pass your classes and meet your grade level requirements
- This year begins a new period in your life...you get a fresh start...take advantage of this!

And last, but not least...

4-Year College Information Night for Parents Tue, October 4th 5:30pm

North County Coastal College Night @ El Camino HS Wed, Oct 5th 5-7pm

PSAT Saturday, October 15, 2011 \$17

sign up in the Counseling Office, pay at the Finance Department. Not required, but HIGHLY recommended...space is limited (and always sells out), so don't wait!

College Admissions Presentations: varies

Visit the Counseling Department and Counseling Page often to sign up (as new visits will be scheduled on a daily basis)

Palomar and Mira Costa College Concurrent Enrollment (earn high school and college credit)...see your counselor for the forms

Palomar: 8th grade, Mira Costa: 10th grade

Free Tuition at Palomar

Scholarship Applications (free \$\$\$) available in the Counseling Department and at

www.guajome.net

www.collegetoolkit.com "Careers" link to get to Career Interest Profiler



Have a GREAT School Year!!!

Learning to live in the
Real World

