

Damonte Ranch High School

WASHOE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
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2018-19 Damonte Ranch High School Profile

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DESCRIPTION

Damonte Ranch High School is a comprehensive four-year high school, founded in 2003, with a current fall 2018 enrollment of 1800 students with a senior class of 425 students. When DRHS opened its doors it was unique in that it was the only school in the district with a 7-12 grade enrollment. In 2008, we transitioned back to a traditional 9-12 grade high school. The student body is diverse with 58% white, 28% Hispanic, 6% Asian, 6% Multiracial, and 2% African American.

ACCREDITATION

A member of the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges

COMMUNITY

The Washoe County School District is the second largest school district in Nevada with approximately 64,000 students enrolled in 93 schools. Reno is a city located in the northwestern part of the state. The Washoe County School District (WCSD) is focused on creating an education system where all students achieve academic success, develop personal and civic responsibility, and achieve career and college readiness for the 21st century.

CURRICULUM FEATURES

- **Block Schedule:** DRHS functions on a rotating block schedule, with three 95 minute academic classes every day, followed by a 45 minute Instructional Center at the end of each day.
- **Instructional Center (IC):** The purpose of IC is to teach and support students in the use of structured independence to reach individual, school and district learning goals. Students will be self-directed and take responsibility for themselves to pursue higher standards of learning, through flexible academic and intervention time.
- **Freshman and Sophomore Seminar:** A required 9th and 10th grade course designed to help transition freshmen students into the high school setting and to develop within each student the positive self-discipline, self-learning, and self-advocacy skills which will transfer to their future years in instructional center and academic settings. This course utilizes Social and Emotional Learning Curriculum to accomplish its goals.

PERFORMING ARTS CENTER (PAC)

PAC is currently the only performing arts Signature Academy in the Washoe County School District, providing advanced education and training in Orchestra, Band, Choir, Drama, and Dance. Upon completion of the program, utilizing extended day elective courses in the performing arts, students will earn a PAC diploma.

ADVANCED COURSES

Damonte Ranch High School offers comprehensive academics, including 21 Advanced Placement and 12 honors courses. These **AP** courses are offered: Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Environmental Science, Calculus AB and BC, Probability and Statistics, English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, Psychology, European History, US History, Government and Politics, French, Spanish, Computer Science, Art, and Music Theory.

GRADING

- A= 90.0-100, B= 80.0-89.99, C= 70.0-79.99, D= 60.0-69.99, F= 0-59.99.
- Unweighted Cumulative GPAs are determined on a whole grade system (4.0=A, 3.0=B, 2.0=C, 1.0=D, 0.0=F).

WEIGHTING

- For weighted GPAs: Honors classes will be weighted by .025 and AP classes will receive a .050 weight.
- Transcript GPAs: All student transcripts show both a cumulative unweighted GPA and a cumulative weighted GPA.

CLASS RANK

- Class ranking for seniors is recalculated for each semester of high school course

work and is calculated using a weighted GPA.

GRADUATION RATE

- 93.24% (Damonte Ranch High – 2017 Cohort)
- 84.02% (Washoe County School District – 2017 Cohort)
- 80.85% (State of Nevada – 2017 Cohort)

RECOGNITIONS

- Three National Merit semi-finalists in 2016.
- Two National Medalists for Scholastic Art Awards in 2015.

POST HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT

- 42% matriculated to 4-year colleges
- 18% matriculated to 2-year institution
- 40% selected work, military service or technical instruction

STANDARDIZED TEST RESULTS

ACT Mean Scores (Class of 2018)

*Statewide College/Career Readiness assessment given to all 11th grade students (Statewide composite is 17.5, District Composite is 18.0)

- 17.1 English
- 19.5 Math
- 19.1 Reading
- 19.1 Science
- 18.8 Composite Score

ADVANCED PLACEMENT RESULTS

- In May 2018, 734 AP Exams were given in 19 subjects.
- 55% of the AP Exams received scores of 3 or higher.

COLLEGES ATTENDED BY RECENT DAMONTE RANCH HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

The New School University, NY
Truckee Meadows CC
Southern Utah University
BYU, Provo
MIT
Pace University, New York
Cal Poly San Luis Obispo
Saint Mary's University, MN Santa
Clara University
John Paul the Great Catholic Univ.

University of Nevada, Reno
Northern Arizona University
U.S. Merchant Marine
Academy
UC Santa Cruz
University of Texas, Dallas
AMDA, Los Angeles
University of Utah
Utah State University
UC Berkeley

University of Nevada, Las Vegas
University of Colorado, Boulder
Pepperdine
Lewis and Clark College
Boise State University
Baylor University
Southern Oregon University
Western Nevada College
Nevada State College
University of Michigan