



# SANTA ROSA HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope everyone had a restful Spring Break and are ready to make a final push towards the end of the year! At the end of February, we finished our WASC accreditation process. A four member team visited Santa Rosa High School to look at our WASC report. Here are some of the highlights from their draft report:

Section I: General Comments:

- Recognized by the State as a Gold Ribbon School
- Close proximity to SRJC provides “additional opportunities for enrollment in upper level courses”
- “Parents are involved and supportive; students are proud of their school. The Foundation is a testament to the value and importance of the school...”
- Proportion of SRHS student body now eligible for Free and Reduced lunch has grown significantly since the last WASC (2012) and “is counterintuitive to the improving economy”
- School population saw an overall dropout rate improvement
- More attention has been given to the “whole child” through different, various areas of support
- Addition of the College and Career Center, with a dedicated Counselor. Lowering the Counselor ratio.
- Parents wanted to keep all levels of “core classes to support students who genuinely benefit from such”
- Continued difficulties with communication through technology- HAC
- Commended for “providing support services that create a culture of caring and provide for at-risk students”

Commendations:

- Staff is truly caring and interested in doing what’s best for students not just in the classroom with academics but also with wraparound services like help with housing, clothing, food, etc.
- Restorative Justice has reduced the number of days of suspension and incidents of expulsion
- Array of special programs and courses allows students many choices in their pursuit of future vocations or avocations
- Santa Rosa High has a rich history, tradition and pride that is evident when addressing students, staff and parents

Recommendations:

- Persistence of an achievement gap for low income and students of color continues- incumbent upon the school to examine and determine a course of action in order to reduce this gap
- Multi-level core classes need to be examined as to what extent maintaining multi-level tracking contributes to stagnation in closing the achievement gap

Overall, the WASC visitation was very positive. They commended the school for many programs, our culture and school spirit. Our goal is to continually improve Santa Rosa High School in serving our school community.

*There is a Federal Court case that is requiring the release of student information dating back to 2008.*

*Please use the links below to get information about the case and how you can opt out of the process.*

*Atención padres, hay un caso de Tribunal Federal que requiere que la entrega de información de estudiante que se remontaa 2008. Por favor use de que los enlaces de abajo Obtén información sobre el caso y cómo se puede optar del proceso.*



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[http://www.scoe.org/pub/htdocs/news-archive.html?news\\_id=780](http://www.scoe.org/pub/htdocs/news-archive.html?news_id=780)

California Office of Ed. Info

<http://www.cde.ca.gov/re/di/ws/morganhillcase.asp>

Court Order English <http://www.cde.ca.gov/re/di/ws/documents/order2016jan26.pdf>

Court Order Spanish <http://www.cde.ca.gov/re/di/ws/documents/form2016jan26-spanish.pdf>

Objection to Disclosure of Student Information and Records

English <http://www.cde.ca.gov/re/di/ws/documents/form2016jan26.pdf>

Spanish <http://www.cde.ca.gov/re/di/ws/documents/form2016jan26-spanish.pdf>

Thank you, Brad Coscarelli