**PARKER DIFFERENCE**

*Parker graduates are prepared for college and beyond*

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**SENIOR ENGAGEMENT**

In 2018, upper school students will complete internships with:
- Senator Toni Atkins
- SHARP Hospitals
- Rady's Children’s Hospital
- Qualcomm
- Birch Aquarium
- La Jolla Playhouse
- SD Superior Court
- Venture Capital

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“I realized my life goal was to become a lawyer after participating in speech and mock trial at Parker, as well as thoroughly enjoying my government and history classes. Parker also provided me with outstanding internships to expand my interests in the field of law.”

— 2017 Parker Graduate

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**LIFE SKILLS**

Approximately **95%** of recent graduates felt Parker helped prepare them with:
- Public speaking
- Contributing to class discussions
- Taking a leadership role
- Working collaboratively on a team
- Balancing a full workload
- Being creative and innovative
- Empathizing with others
- Appreciating and/or participating in the arts
- Maintaining an active/healthy lifestyle

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**RESOURCES & SUPPORT**

- Full-time college counselors: 4
- Grade-level deans: 3
- In-house test prep center: 1

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The ratio of students to college counselors at CA public schools: **950:1**

The ratio of students to college counselors at Parker: **35:1**

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“In two, one-six, one-seven, zero, one, seven, hyphen, one, seven, ...” Parker Graduate

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**IN-HOUSE TEST PREP CENTER**

...to help Parker students maximize the college application process.
In 2016, Parker students scored an average of 460 points higher than the national average on the SAT test.³

“Parker gave me the confidence to believe I could accomplish great things, and it sparked my passion for non-profit work and helping the less fortunate.”
— 2017 Parker Graduate

80% of seniors were admitted to a “Most Competitive” or “Highly Competitive” college in 2017.⁴

93% of 2017 graduates are currently attending one of their top-3 college choices.

100% of 2017 graduates felt that Parker prepared them to succeed in college.

95% of recent Parker graduates currently have a B average or higher at their college.

Parker graduates are more likely to complete college on time, and receive a degree from the first college they attend.

### Most Common Majors of Recent Parker Graduates

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