

Alameda High School

2010-2011 Highlights

Focus On Learning: SIM

Professional Development

- 2 full day workshops delivered by AHS Professional Developers.
- Future workshop planned for April.
- This year, 25 staff members have been trained in at least one routine.

Focus On Learning: SIM

Coaching and Support

- A part-time teacher-coach models and supports teachers with implementing newly learned instructional routines.
- Teacher-coach collaborates weekly with teachers in various departments (AVID, ROP, Math, and Science) to build curriculum using SIM routines.
- Teacher-coach is building common language around instructional practice (cue-do-review).

Focus on Learning: Literacy

- AHS offers 2 sections of Literacy Workshop to 9th grade students.
- These classes are coupled with English Language Arts.
- 2 Literacy teachers collaborate on curriculum and instructional strategies.

Focus on Learning: Literacy

- Students learn:
 - Literacy Strategies
 - SIM Learning Strategies
 - Critical Thinking Skills
- Students use these skills in all content areas.
- Example: Paraphrasing strategy is being used in Biology classes.

Focus On Learning: Math

- The Math coach supports Algebra 1 and Geometry classes.
- Focus areas include:
 - Supporting teachers' content knowledge
 - Promoting collaborative lesson design
 - Supporting teachers with using instructional strategies:
 - Think-Pair-Share
 - Choral Response

Focus On Learning: Science

- Biology teachers are collaborating on the instructional practice cue-do-review and are collaboratively creating a checklist to be used by teachers during lesson planning or peer observations.
- For example, teachers cue students to attend to the lesson, activity, graphic device, or strategy at hand.

Focus On Learning: English

- English teachers have collaboratively developed common writing prompts for all grade levels modeled after the CAHSEE and SAT writing genres.
- English teachers scored essays using a common rubric to assess for students' writing development.
- Teachers are using the results to plan future instruction, to anchor department on grading compositions, and to deliver skill specific feedback to students.

Focus On Learning: Social Studies

- Social Studies teachers are working to make history and exploration of our nation's economy and government come alive.
- In January, 12th grade students experienced a Mock Congress. Student had the opportunity to draft legislation and participate in a congressional meeting.

Student Life Highlights

- AHS Students have recently traveled to France with the French club.
- Associated Student Body Leadership recently fundraised for the Alameda Food Bank and hosted a campus wide blood drive.
- Recently AHS Students have been awarded for their academics and civic mindedness.
 - 4 National Merit Finalists
 - 1 Jefferson Award Winner

The Arts

AHS has an exceptional arts program which offers students the opportunity to engage in the applied or performing arts.

- The AHS Drama program produced both a Fall play and a Spring musical.
- The AHS Arts department is beginning its yearly student murals around campus.
- The AHS Music program has been invited to perform in Chicago over spring break.

The Spring Musical Cast



Athletic Programs

AHS has a comprehensive athletic program with 22 sports offered on campus.

- Highlights from the fall and winter seasons:

Fall:	Women's Golf	4 th place in State CIF Tournament & individual state championship
	Women's X-Country	NCS Academic Award
	Football	Qualified for NCS
Winter:	Women's Soccer	Qualified for NCS
	Women's Basketball	Qualified for NCS