

BRIGHTON HIGH SCHOOL



Brighton High School is located in Cottonwood Heights, Utah, an affluent suburb of Salt Lake City next to the majestic Wasatch Mountains.

The school opened in 1969 and is designed with two octagonal sections housing self-contained classrooms and a full auditorium. A gymnasium and support areas complete the building, which is situated on the brow of a hill.

In 2008-09, the teacher/pupil ration was 1-27.3, but actual class sizes vary and are usually over 32 students. A parent-teacher-student association attempts to address special school needs and strengthens programs through volunteer committee work.

Brighton has consistent high averages in testing and holds national rankings for dance and volleyball. The school offers opportunities to receive college credit through Advance Placement and concurrent enrollment programs, administered by Utah State University and Salt Lake Community College.

The school serves 2,258 students in grades 10-12 in an area extending across east Sandy and Cottonwood Heights, and is one of four high schools in the new Canyons School District.

The school generally does well in athletics. It recently gained national recognition for its dance team – the “Accadians” – and in girls volleyball. In addition, the Bengals have a

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strong tradition in soccer, swimming and wrestling. In 2007-08, the boys basketball team finished second at the 5A state tournament.

The 2009-10 school year marked the start of a new era in two categories.

First, local voters elected to start a new school district on the southeast side of the Salt Lake Valley, and called it The Canyons School District. This was the first year of its existence.

In addition, this season the school started competition in Region 4 with: Alta, American Fork, Hillcrest, Jordan, Lone Peak and Pleasant Grove. It proved to be especially tough in football.

Some notable Brighton alumni include:
David Neeleman, chairman and CEO of Jet Blue Airways; **Reno Mahe** and **Bryan Kehl**, former NFL players, and **Tristan Gale**, an Olympic gold medalist.