

Providence Classical School Profile 2017-2018

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Selected College Acceptances and Matriculations

Auburn University, Baylor University Honors, Biola University Torrey Honors, Brown University, Calvin College, Colorado School of Mines, Covenant College, Hillsdale College, Rice University, Samford University, Stanford University, Texas A&M Honors, Texas Tech University, Trinity University, University of Arkansas, University of Chicago, University of Houston Honors, University of Texas at Austin, University of Texas at Dallas, U.S. Air Force Academy, U.S. Military Academy, University of Oklahoma, Wheaton College

Our Vision

Founded in 1999, Providence Classical School (PCS) is an independent, co-educational, PreK-12 day-school that offers a classical and Christian education. Our classical method is rooted in the Trivium: the grammar, logic, and rhetoric of all subjects. Students trained in these disciplines are equipped with the tools necessary for effective accumulation, synthesis, and presentation of knowledge. PCS students acquire a love for learning, since the Trivium allows students to be trained according to their stages of development.

School of Rhetoric Curriculum

The primary purpose of the PCS School of Rhetoric (9-12) is to stretch students to reach their full academic potential through a rigorous program of academic excellence and Christian perspective. Instead of the cafeteria approach in most textbooks, PCS emphasizes reading and research in source documents and original writings. By integrating history, literature, philosophy, theology, art, and music throughout all disciplines, our students see the world as a whole and as a work of art, rather than as a disjointed groups of facts.

In their Humanities courses, students study the thoughts, events, people, literature, geography, and arts that shaped the mindset of that time. Students begin studying Latin in 3rd grade, progressing through a complete study of Latin grammar that culminates in a year of translation from source texts in 9th grade. Thereafter, students continue with at least two more years of language study in either Latin or Spanish.

Our accelerated math and science curriculum for all students includes Algebra I and II, Geometry, and Precalculus or College Algebra. Many students take Calculus. All students take Physics, Biology, and Chemistry. Many take Physics II or Anatomy and Physiology. PCS believes it is critical to train students in *how* to reason, to understand arguments, and to communicate effectively. As part of this training, students take Logic as their science course in 8th grade.

The culmination of a PCS education is a two-year course in formal Rhetoric, in which students are trained to effectively articulate the knowledge they have mastered through the writing, oral presentation, and defense of a senior thesis project before a panel of faculty and local professionals.

Our Faculty

The student/faculty ratio is 10:1. All PCS faculty members hold college degrees, most in their field of instruction, and many have advanced degrees. PCS is committed to hiring and retaining exceptional teachers who have a passion for Christ, their students, and their subjects.

School Calendar

The school year is divided into three trimesters. Each day includes homeroom and seven class periods beginning at 8:00 a.m. and concluding at 3:00 p.m.

Admissions / Enrollment

Admission is selective based on academics and character. Twenty-one percent of PCS families receive financial aid.

Total Enrollment: 362

Grammar School enrollment: 206

Upper School enrollment: 156

SAT	2004-2016	Avg.	Class of 2017	Avg.
	Critical Reading	612	Critical Reading	675
	Math	585	Math Mean	651
	Writing	604		

National Merit Recognition 2004 - 2017

Finalist	4
Commended	17
Nat'l Hispanic Honorable Mention	5

Graduation requirements – 24 credits (2 credits earned in 8th grade for Latin II and Algebra I)

Humanities (the history of ideas)	4
English and Rhetoric	4
Math	4
Science	3
Biblical Studies	4
Foreign Language	4
Government	.5
Fine Arts	.5

Academic Honors (on a 4.0 scale)

Summa Cum Laude	3.90 - 4.00
Magna Cum Laude	3.75 - 3.89
Cum Laude	3.50 - 3.74

Accreditation

Providence Classical School is a member of and accredited by the Association of Classical and Christian Schools (ACCS). ACCS is a member of Texas Private School Accreditation Commission (TEPSAC).

Community

PCS is located 30 minutes north of Houston and draws students from a 25-mile radius. The Houston community has a strong technology and manufacturing base, including the Johnson Space Center, and several major universities. Participation in community events engages students in the global marketplace of ideas and commercial activity.

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Upper School Scope and Sequence

AREA	7 th grade	8 th grade	9 th grade	10 th grade	11 th grade	12 th grade
Humanities	Ancient*	Modern	Ancient	Medieval	Renaissance/ Reformation	Modern
English/Rhetoric	Composition and Literature	Composition and Literature	Composition and Literature	Composition and Literature	Rhetoric I	Rhetoric II
Bible	Hermeneutics	Old Testament Survey	New Testament Survey	History of Theology	Ethics	Apologetics
Math	Pre-Algebra	Algebra I	Geometry	Algebra II w/Trig	Pre-Calculus	Calculus
				Algebra II	College Algebra	
Science	Earth Science	Logic	Physics I	Biology	Adv. Chemistry	Anatomy & Physiology
					Chemistry	Physics II
Latin	Latin I	Latin II	Latin III	Latin IV	Latin V	Latin VI
Modern Foreign Language				French I	French II	French III
				Spanish I	Spanish II	Spanish III
Other						Government
Electives	Art, Advanced Art, Choir, Science Olympiad, Yearbook					
	PE					
				Mock Trial, Speech and Debate		
					Economics	

*The Humanities curriculum is transitioning one grade each year to the following sequence: 7th – Ancient, 8th – Medieval Europe, 9th – Modern Europe, 10th – US History and Government, 11th – Ancient, 12th – Modern.

Athletics and Activities

- National Honor Society
- Student Council
- Blue Crew (spirit organization)
- Cross Country
- Football
- Volleyball
- Basketball
- Tennis
- Track
- Baseball

