

PROVIDENCE CLASSICAL SCHOOL PROFILE 2022-2023

CEEB CODE: 446684

STAFF: Headmaster: *Richard R. Halloran*
 Upper School Assistant Principal: *Anthony Bocciardi*
 Dean of Academics: *Dawn Ontiveros*
 Dean of Student Life: *Juan Alcala*
 College Advisors: *Tonya Post, Bethany Scott*
 Athletic Director: *Randy Youngling*
 Administrative Assistant: *Aimee Froelich*

COMMUNITY DATA: Providence Classical School is located in a suburb 30 miles northwest of Houston in Spring, TX, and draws students from a 25-mile radius. The Houston community has a strong technology, energy, and manufacturing base. Resources include the Johnson Space Center, the Texas Medical Center, professional companies in all of the arts, and several major universities.

AFFILIATIONS: Association of Classical & Christian Schools (ACCS), Moscow, Idaho
 Texas Private School Accreditation Commission (TEPSAC)
 Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools (TAPPS)

ACCREDITATION: ACCS, Initial: March 2006; Renewed: March 2008, March 2013, April 2018

STUDENT BODY:	Pre-Kindergarten through High School	354
	Grammar School (PK-6)	194
	Upper School:	
	Logic (grades 7-8)	68
	Rhetoric (grades 9-12)	92
	Upper School Student/Teacher ratio	8:1

CALENDAR: 36 weeks; 3-trimester grading system; seven 45-minute daily class periods in grades 7–12.

UPPER SCHOOL: 22 teachers (18 full-time, 4 part-time); 8 with advanced degrees.

GRADUATION: Class of 2023: 23.5 credits - one credit per year for courses that meet 5 days per week; ½ credit per year for courses that meet fewer than 5 days per week.

Core Courses:

English (includes Rhetoric²)..... 4 credits
 Humanities (history of ideas) ... 4 credits
 Mathematics 4 credits
 Science (lab courses)..... 3 credits
 Latin 2 credits
 Adv./Modern Language 2 credits
 Biblical Studies 4 credits

Academic Electives:

Engineering Your World.....1 credit
 Pre-Calculus³1 credit
 College Algebra³ (DC)1 credit
 Statistics³ (DC)1 credit
 Calculus1 credit
 Anatomy or Physics II1 credit
 Spanish III, French III, or Latin VI.... 1 credit
 Computer Science.....½ credit
 Ecology.....½ credit
 Economics½ credit
 Shakespeare.....½ credit
 Greek½ credit

Arts Electives¹:

Art..... ½ credit
 Advanced Art..... ½ credit
 Choir ½ credit
 Mock Trial ½ credit
 Speech/Debate ... ½ credit
 Worship Team ... ½ credit
 Yearbook ½ credit

¹ Students must take one year of an arts elective as part of their graduation requirements.

² Students take Rhetoric I and II in their junior and senior years. These courses culminate with a junior research paper and senior thesis.

³ Students must take one of these courses as a core math course.

DISTINCTIVES: Providence Classical School is a classical Christian school, employing the centuries-proven methodology known as the *Trivium*, Grammar, Logic, and Rhetoric. At the high school level (spanning Logic and Rhetoric), Providence Classical School's humanities and English program focuses on an intensive study of the great writings, people, events, works, and ideas that have formed and reformed civilization as we know it. Special emphasis is given to the study of Western Culture. Classic works of our culture are studied within their historical settings and from a traditionally biblical perspective, which helps the students understand how these works and the people who wrote them were influenced by those historical settings. It also reveals the universal nature of the great works, which are classics precisely because they speak to all men through all ages. Emphasis is placed upon reading, writing, speaking, and critical thinking skills. *All English, math, humanities, literature, and science courses are taught at the honors level.*

SENIOR THESIS: The senior thesis involves a 20-page research paper over a topic selected by the student and is required to graduate. This persuasive thesis is memorized, delivered, and defended to the school community and an academic panel.

GRADING:	Letter Grade	Grade Point Average	Numerical Average
	A+	4.0	97-100
	A	4.0	93-96
	A-	3.7	90-92
	B+	3.3	87-89
	B	3.0	83-86
	B-	2.7	80-82
	C+	2.3	77-79
	C	2.0	73-76
	C-	1.7	70-72
	F	0	< 70

GPA COMPUTATION: GPA is computed on all subjects receiving a letter grade, grades 9+, also including 8th grade Algebra I and Latin II.

CLASS RANK: Due to small class sizes and selective admission, Providence Classical School does not rank students by GPA except to award salutatory and valedictory honors and to report the top 10%.

CUMULATIVE HONORS:
 Summa Cum Laude = 3.9+
 Magna Cum Laude = 3.75 – 3.89
 Cum Laude = 3.5 – 3.74

NATIONAL MERIT PROGRAM: **Classes of 2004-2022**
 In addition to 6 National Merit finalists and 4 National Hispanic Honorable Mention students, 20 of our 165 graduates received letters of commendation.

TESTING SUMMARY (Mean scores for SAT/ACT by graduating class):

CLASS	2004-2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
English	612	675	672	658	633	659	658
Math	585	651	619	630	582	644	623
ACT	24	30.5	28	27	25	27	28.5