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Class of 2022

Providence's tenth graduating class included 11 graduates.

Testing Profile

2020 mean SAT scores - 1160 2021 mean SAT scores - 1111 *COVID has impacted test taking for many students.

Graduation Requirements

High school credit is granted for Algebra I, Earth Science, and Latin I & 2 completed in Grades 6-8.

CLASSICAL DIPLOMA

Literature/Rhetoric – 4 History – 4

Language – 4

Science – 4

Mathematics – 4

Theology – 3

Fine Arts – 3.5

Total – 26.5

Grade Scale

A+ 98-100	A 95-97	A- 92-94
B+ 91-89	B 86-88	B- 83-85
C+ 80-82	C 77-79	C- 74-76
D+71-73	D 68-70	D- 65-67
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- •An un-weighted cumulative GPA is provided on the final transcript. The highest possible GPA for any Providence student is 4.0 un-weighted.
- •Due to small class size, Providence does not rank its students.
- •No courses designated Honors or AP; subjects are integrated 9-12; writing emphasized across the curriculum.

Class Size

The average class size is 15 students.

Faculty

Fifty percent of faculty members hold an advanced degree.



SCHOOL PROFILE 2022 – 2023

HISTORY AND STRUCTURE

Founded in 2001, Providence Classical School is the only JK-12 classical, Christian school in Williamsburg, Virginia. It is located in James City County which is a rapidly growing county. One fifth of the population is under 18 years of age. Eighty percent of the population is white and thirteen percent is black. True to the classical model, students are instructed through the stages of the Trivium (Grammar, Dialectic, Rhetoric). Providence serves 246 students with an ethnic diversity of 21%. The mission of Providence Classical School is to provide a classical, Christ-centered education equipping students with a thorough biblical world and life view that captures their affections and enables them to discern, articulate, and live truth.

ACCREDITATIONS/MEMBERSHIPS

Accredited by Association of Classical Christian Schools (ACCS) Member of Virginia Council for Private Education (VCPE)

ADMISSIONS

Admission to Providence Classical School is based on academic records, academic screening, teacher recommendations, and parent and student interviews.

DISTINCTIVES

<u>Humanities Core</u> – Literature, History, Theology, Philosophy, and Rhetoric are integrated by following a chronological study of history ranging from the Ancients to Modern Day. Students interact with primary sources.

<u>Languages</u>– Students learn Latin which helps give them a competent grasp of grammar and vocabulary. Students are also given the opportunity to take modern languages in Rhetoric school. These languages teach students to think critically and respond creatively.

<u>Writing Intensive</u> – Students are required and taught how to take notes and to write summaries, essays, and abstracts. Compositional elements include: exordiums, proofs, refutations, and bibliography pages.

<u>Harkness Discussions</u> - Students discuss a particular issue or topic in a noncompetitive manner. This method is named after the oil magnate and philanthropist Edward Harkness, and it follows the Socratic method. This is not a debate, but a dialogue between members of the class.

<u>Community Service</u> – Students participate in various service projects related to the community at large during a week dedicated to spirit and service. Projects include packing meals for disadvantaged populations, monetary donations to Heritage Humane Society, collecting supplies for Hospice House, etc.

<u>House System</u> - Students in grades 6-12 participate in the House System and are members of one of four houses. Through participation in this, students are equipped for leadership, build relationships that transcend grades and academics, engage in competitive elements, serve the school, and participate in socials.

<u>Internship</u> – Students in grade 11 spend a week interning in a field of interest. <u>Class Trips</u> – Students in grades 9 -12 are given the opportunity to experience various cultures both nationally and internationally through study in the U.S. and abroad. <u>Fine Arts Project</u> – Students in 12th grade formulate a year-long project reflecting God's beautiful creation in a self-chosen media. Planning requires wisdom and virtue, evidence of reasoning shown through design, diligence demonstrated through meeting criteria and deadlines.

<u>Senior Thesis</u> – Seniors are required to write a thesis that argues a specific point using a complete persuasive essay format. They must defend their topic to the public including board members, administrators, and teachers.

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Advanced Courses

Providence offers the following advanced course: **Advanced Physics**

Athletics

Basketball Baseball Cross-Country

Softball Volleyball

Grade Level Reading Selections

9th: Mythology by Edith Hamilton, The Iliad & Odyssey by Homer

10th: The Aeneid by Virgil, Beowulf, Inferno by Dante

11th: *The Scarlet Letter* by Hawthorne, A Tale of Two Cities by Dickens, Pride & Prejudice by Austen

12th: The Picture of Dorian Gray by Wilde, The Great Gatsby by Fitzgerald, 1984 by Orwell

SCHOOL PROFILE 2022 - 2023 College Acceptances

Asbury University Baylor University Belmont University Bowen College Brenau University Bridgewater College Brigham Young Calvin College Carlton College

Charleston Southern University Christopher Newport University

Clemson University College of William and Mary Drexel University Duke University Elon University

Emerson College Emory and Henry College

Ferrum College Flagler College

Florida Institute of Technology Furman University

George Mason University Gettysburg College Gilford College Gordon College Grove City

Hillsdale College

Hampden-Sydney College Hanover College High Point University

James Madison University Johnson and Wales University, Denver Kutztown University of Pennsylvania Lees-McRae College Liberty University Longwood University Mary Baldwin College Maryland Institute College of Art

Menlow College Messiah College Mount St. Mary's College Nichols College

North Carolina State University Ohio State University

Ohio Wesleyan University Olin College of Engineering Otis College of Art and Design

Patrick Henry College Purdue University Radford University Randolph College Randolph-Macon Regent University

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Roanoke College

Rose Hulman University Salve Regina University, RI

Samford University Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD) Washington and Lee University

Shenandoah University Stanford University

Sweet Briar College Texas A&M The Citadel

Thomas Nelson Community College U.S. Merchant Marine Academy Universal Technical Institute University of Central Florida University of Florida

University of Kentucky University of Lynchburg University of Mary Washington

University of North Carolina at Asheville University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

University of Richmond

University of Saint Andrews, England

University of Southern California University of Tennessee

University of Tennessee Knoxville University of Texas, Austin

University of Virginia Ursinus College

Virginia Commonwealth University Virginia Commonwealth University Arts

Virginia Military Institute

Virginia Tech

Virginia Tech Corp of Cadets Virginia Wesleyan University Washington and Jefferson College West Virginia University

Rhetoric (9-12) Scope and Sequence

	Literature	History	Math	Science	Language	Theology	Rhetoric	Fine Arts
9	Ancient Literature	Ancient Civilizations	Geometry	Biology	Latin III <i>or</i> Spanish I	Old & New Testament/ Apologetics I	Rhetoric I	Drawing & Painting or Classical Drama
10	Middle Ages Literature	Western Civilization	Algebra II	Chemistry	Latin IV or Spanish II	Church History/ Book of Acts/ Apologetics II	Rhetoric II	Architecture & Sculpture or Classical Drama II
11	Early Modern Literature	Early Modern European History	Pre- Calculus <i>or</i> Business Math	Advanced Physics or Conceptual Physics	Spanish III <i>or</i> Elective	Christian Worldview	Rhetoric III	Photography & Animation
12	Modern Literature	US History & Government	Calculus or Intro to Statistics	Astronomy	Spanish IV <i>or</i> Elective	Christ and the Culture	Rhetoric IV	Fine Arts Project