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## *Class of 2021*

Providence's 9<sup>th</sup> graduating class 8 Graduates

# **Testing Profile**

2019 mean SAT scores - 1143 2020 mean SAT scores - 1209 \*COVID has limited 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.

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English - 4

History – 4

Language – 4

Science – 4

Mathematics – 4

Rhetoric – 4

Theology – 4

Philosophy – 4

Fine Arts – 4

Total - 36

## 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

- •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 2020 – 2021

#### HISTORY AND STRUCTURE

Founded in 2001, Providence Classical School is the only K-12 classical, Christian school in Williamsburg, Virginia. True to the classical model, students are instructed through the stages of the Trivium (Grammar, Dialectic, Rhetoric). Providence serves 193 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.

#### **AFFILIATIONS**

Association of Classical Christian Schools (ACCS) 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>Latin/Greek</u> – Students learn ancient languages which help give them a competent grasp of grammar and vocabulary. These languages also 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 works cited 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 and 10 enrich their students through multi-day trips to Washington, D.C. and New York City.

<u>Fine Arts Project</u> – Students in 12<sup>th</sup> 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.



# SCHOOL PROFILE 2020 – 2021

# College Acceptances

James Madison University

## Advanced Courses

Providence offers the following advanced courses:

Advanced Physics Advanced Astronomy

### Clubs

Archery Basketball Chess

Cyber Patriots

Drama Fencing Robotics Running Tennis Worship

\*Because of COVID, clubs are not currently running. This is subject to change during the school year. Asbury University Baylor University Belmont University Bowen College Brenau University Bridgewater College Brigham Young Calvin College Carlton College

Charleston Southern University Menlow College Christopher Newport UniversityMessiah College

Clemson University
College of William and Mary
Drexel University
Duke University

Elon University Emory and Henry College Ferrum College

Flagler College Florida Institute of Technology

Furman University
George Mason University
Gettysburg College
Gilford College
Gordon College
Green Mountain College
Greye City

Grove City Hampden-Sydney College Hanover College High Point University

Hillsdale College

Johnson and Wales University, Denver Kutztown University of Pennsylvania Lees-McRae College

Liberty University
Longwood University
Lynchburg College
Mary Baldwin College

Maryland Institute College of Art ty Menlow 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)

St. Leo University

Shenandoah University Stanford University Sweet Briar College Texas A&M The Citadel

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

Thomas Nelson Community College

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

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

	Literatur e	History	Math	Science	Languag e	Theology	Philosoph y	Rhetoric	Fine Arts
9	Ancients		Geometr y	Biology	Latin III	Old & New Testament	Ancient Greece & Rome	Persusive Essays	Photography /Sculpture or Music Appreciation or Drama
10	Western Civilization: Medieval to Renaissance		Algebra II	Chemistry	Greek I	Early Church/Acts of the Apostles/ Apologetics	Medieval/ Renaissance	Judicial Essays	Drawing & Painting or Music Theory or Drama
11	Western Civilization: Reformation to Industrial Revolution		Pre- Calculus or Business Math	Advanced Physics or Astronomy	Greek II	Modern Christian Theology/Boo k of John	Reformation to Modern	Research Essays Mini Thesis Oration	Architecture or Instrumental Introduction or Drama
12	Western Civilization: Industrial Revolution to 20 <sup>th</sup> Century		Calculus or Intro to Statistics	Astronomy or Conceptual Physics	Greek III	Modern Christian Theologians/ Contemporar	1800-1980	Senior Thesis Oration	Fine Arts Project