



Pine Castle Christian Academy



2011-2012

MIDDLE SCHOOL - ACADEMIC PROFILE



ADMINISTRATION:

Headmaster:	Dr. Wendell Murray
School Principal:	Mrs. Brenda Oliver, MEd.
Dean of Students:	Mr. Mark Ritchhart
Athletics:	Mr. Mark Ritchhart & Mr. Jason Shave

MISSION STATEMENT:

The mission of Pine Castle Christian Academy is to prepare the next generation, one student at a time, to impact the world for Christ.

ACCREDITATION AND MEMBERSHIPS:

The Academy is accredited by the Association of Christian Schools International and the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Pine Castle also maintains memberships in the National Association of Secondary School Principals, the College Board, the Central Florida Consortium of Private School Counselors, the Southern Association of College Admission Counseling, the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, and the Florida High School Athletic Association.

CALENDAR: HOURS:

36 weeks; 2 semesters, 4-term grading system; 7 class periods.
7:37AM to 3:00PM Monday through Friday

MIDDLE SCHOOL FACULTY:

11 Full Time Teachers, 8 part time Teachers; 10 with Bachelor's Degrees, 2 with advanced degrees.

ACTIVITIES:

Interscholastic athletic teams: volleyball, boys & girls basketball, softball, cheerleading, football, and soccer. Other opportunities include National Junior Honor Society, Band, Duke Tip and Theatre Arts.

COURSE OFFERINGS:

5 core courses: Math; Science; Bible, English (Grammar & Literature), Social Studies.
2 Enrichment/ Fine Arts classes. 8th grade may take * Algebra I Honors for a high school credit. Qualifying 7th & 8th grade students may be placed in Math and English Honors classes.

ENRICHMENT / FINE ARTS CLASSES:

Band, Choir, P.E., Intro to Spanish, Computer. Qualifying 8th grade students may take Spanish I for a high school credit. Weekly chapel & Mentor groups.

GRADING:

Letter	Number	Points	Honors*
A	90-100	4.0	4.5
B	80-89	3.0	3.5
C	70-79	2.0	2.5
D	60-69	1.0	1.0
F	0-59	0	0

*Honors grades for High School classes taken by 8th grade students will receive the honors points

MINIMUM HS GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS: Class of 2012: 26 credits are required for graduation, Standard College-Prep Diploma. Subsequent classes may have varying requirements. Honors and High Honors Diploma options are available.

English	4 credits	Bible	2 ½ credits	Physical Ed.....	1 credit
Mathematics	4 credits	Foreign Lang.....	2 credits	Electives.....	4 ½ credits
Science	3 credits	Fine Art	1 credit		
History	3 credits	Computer	1 credit		

TESTING: All students 1st – 10th grade take the Stanford Achievement Test in the spring. Additionally, the OTIS Lennon test is administered in the odd numbered grades in the Spring. Qualifying 7th grade students who score in the 95th% on the national norms of a standardized achievement, aptitude or mental ability test in an approved subtest category qualify for the Duke Talent Identification Program (Duke TIP). For more information, please visit www.duke.tip.edu. 30% of PCCA’s 7th grade class of 2010-2011 qualified for the Duke TIP program.

PCCA RECORD OF MEDIAN GRADE EQUIVALENT SAT SCORES 2010-2011
 (Score=grade.month For example: 9.8 = 9th grade, eighth month)

	6th Grade	7th Grade	8th Grade
Total Reading	8.8	9.6	10.9
Total Mathematics	8.3	10.7	11.1
Language	9.0	11.7	11.7
Science	7.9	8.7	10.5
Complete Battery	8.4	10	12.6

COLLEGE CHOICES: In the class of 2011, 92% of our graduates were accepted to college, and 77% qualified for Florida Bright Futures Scholarship. The classes of 2005-2011, upon graduation, enrolled in the following colleges and universities: Assumption College, Auburn University, Averett University, Beloit College, Bethany College, Brookdale Community College, Cedarville University, Clearwater Christian College, Eckerd College, Emmanuel College, Flagler College, Florida Atlantic University, Florida Hospital College of Health Services, Florida Gulf Coast University, Florida College of Natural Health, Florida School of the Arts, Florida Southern College, Florida State University, Full Sail University, Gardner-Webb University, The George Washington University, Grove City College, Handong University, Hoffstra University, Indiana University, King College, Lenoir-Rhyne College, Lesley University, Liberty University, Methodist University, Minot State University, Newberry College, North Greenville College, Palm Beach Atlantic University, Purdue University, Ringling College of Art and Design, Rollins College, Saint Olaf College, Salve Regina University, Santa Fe Community College, Seminole State College, Stetson University, Southeastern University, Tallahassee Community College, Trine University, University of Alabama, University of Central Florida, University of Florida, University of Miami, University of Mississippi, University of North Florida, University of South Florida, University of West Florida, , University of Washington, Valencia College, and Wagner College.