



# Pine Castle Christian Academy



2009-2010

## MIDDLE SCHOOL - ACADEMIC PROFILE



### ADMINISTRATION:

Headmaster: Lorne Wenzel, Ph.D.  
Middle School Coordinator: Joyce Burkhalter  
Athletic Director: Mark Rickman  
Admissions Director: Michelle Campbell  
Executive Director: Kathey Rios  
Dean of ES/MS Students: Mark Ritchhart

### MISSION STATEMENT:

It is the mission of Pine Castle Christian Academy to introduce students to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ; to inspire them to seek God's Kingdom purpose for their life; and to prepare them academically and spiritually to bring God's truth and grace to their world.

### 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 Activities Association.

### STUDENT BODY:

6th thru 8<sup>th</sup> Grade 152  
K3 thru 12<sup>th</sup> Grade 503

### CALENDAR:

36 weeks; 2 semesters, 4-term grading system; 8 class periods.

### MIDDLE SCHOOL FACULTY:

6 Full Time Teachers; 100% with Bachelors Degree; 10 part time Teachers; 90% Bachelors Degree, 20% with advanced degree.

### ACTIVITIES:

Interscholastic athletic teams: baseball, boys & girls basketball, cross country, golf, tennis, softball, volleyball, track, cheerleading, Middle School football. Other opportunities include National Junior Honor Society, Band, Duke Tip and Theatre Arts.

### COURSE OFFERINGS:

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

### ENRICHMENT / FINE ARTS CLASSES

Band, Art, Music Appreciation, Choir, Leadership, Drama, P.E., Computer. Qualifying 8<sup>th</sup> 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 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will receive the honors points

### MINIMUM HS GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

Class of 2010: 26 credits are required for graduation, Standard Diploma. Subsequent classes may have varying requirements. Honors and High Honors Diploma options are available.

English .....	4 credits	Bible .....	2 1/2 credits	Physical Ed.....	1 credit
Mathematics .....	3 credits	Foreign Lang.....	2 credits	Electives.....	5 credits
Science .....	3 credits	Fine Art .....	1/2 credit		
History .....	4 credits	Computer .....	1 credit		

(See back for standardized testing information)

**TESTING:** All students 1<sup>st</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> 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 7<sup>th</sup> grade students who score in the 95<sup>th</sup> % 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](http://www.duke.tip.edu). PCCA's 2009 class had 10 qualifying students for the Duke TIP program.

**PCCA RECORD OF MEDIAN GRADE EQUIVALENT SAT SCORES 2008-2009**  
**(Score=grade.month For example: 9.8 = 9th grade, eighth month)**

	<b>6th Grade</b>	<b>7th Grade</b>	<b>8th Grade</b>
Total Reading	8.6	10.0	10.8
Total Mathematics	9.7	10.1	10.3
Language	8.6	11.4	10.3
Science	9.8	9.9	10.0

**COLLEGE CHOICES:** In the class of 2009, **100%** of our graduates were accepted to college, and 67% qualified for the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship. The classes of 2004-2009, upon graduation, enrolled in the following colleges and universities: Assumption College, Auburn University, Barry University, Beloit College, Bethany College, Clearwater Christian College, Eckerd College, Emmanuel College, Florida Atlantic University, Florida Gulf Coast University, Florida Institute of Technology, Florida School of the Arts, Florida Southern College, Florida State University, Gardner-Webb University, The George Washington University, Grove City College, Hoffstra University, Indiana University, King College, Lenoir-Rhyne College, Lesley University, Liberty University, Newberry College, North Greenville College, Palm Beach Atlantic University, Purdue University, Rollins College, Salve Regina University, Santa Fe Community College, Seminole Community College, Southeastern University, Tallahassee Community College, 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 Wisconsin, Valencia Community College, Virginia Military Institute, Wagner College, and Yale University.