



Providence Classical Christian School

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2009-2010 School Profile

Overview

Founded in 1997, the mission of Providence is to partner with Christian parents in educating their children, in the classical tradition, to think and act biblically and to pursue academic excellence in joyful submission to the Lord Jesus Christ. Providence is accredited by The Association of Classical & Christian Schools (June 2004).

Enrollment

Total enrollment for the 2009-2010 school year is 184. The secondary school has 72 students, 4 of whom are seniors.

Course Load

Each secondary student takes 7 liberal arts courses per trimester. The average class size in the secondary is 11.

Faculty

Eleven faculty members teach in the secondary school with 36% holding academic degrees at the Masters level or above.

Curriculum

The liberal arts curriculum at Providence is modeled after the classical trivium of grammar, logic, and rhetoric. Every student is required to take Latin, Logic, and various courses in Western literature (including Homer, Virgil, Dante, Milton, and Shakespeare) and two years of Rhetoric as a part of our core curriculum. Electives are not offered (exception: seniors choose between Calculus and Greek).

Senior Thesis Papers

All seniors write lengthy Rhetoric thesis papers, which they must present and defend in front of a panel of faculty and expert adjudicators. Sample senior thesis topics include:

- Is T.V. harmful to the brain?
- Do public figures have a right to privacy in matters of personal sin?
- Is global warming real?
- Are the CIA's methods of interrogating suspected terrorists legal and biblically justified?
- Can a biblical and scientific case be made for the existence of dragons?
- What can be done to reform the welfare system?

Calculation of GPA

All secondary school grades are based on an A to F, 4.0 scale. Any grade below 70% is considered failing. Course grades are weighted. Only grades earned at Providence are included in the GPA.

Grading System

98% - 100%	A+	4.0
94% - 97%	A	4.0
90% - 93%	A-	3.7
87% - 89%	B+	3.3
84% - 86%	B	3.0
80% - 83%	B-	2.7
77% - 79%	C+	2.3
74% - 76%	C	2.0
70% - 73%	C-	1.7
0% - 69%	F	0.0

Graduation Requirements (in credit hours)

English	4
Math	4
History	4
Science	4
Bible/Theology	4
Music	2
Foreign Language	2
Rhetoric	2
TOTAL	26 (minimum)

National Merit Recognition

Of our four classes who have taken the PSAT exam, 26% of our students have been recognized under the National Merit criteria (one student was awarded National Merit Scholar status).

Scholastic Aptitude Test Results

The number of graduates are in parentheses.

	2003(3)	2005(3)	2007(4)	2008(6)	2009(6)
CR Average	715	730	633	670	585
Math Average	595	590	623	596	558
WR Average	n/a	n/a	610	636	613
Total Average	1310	1320	1866	1902	1756

College Admissions

Nearly 100% of our graduates attend 4-year universities. Among the accepted schools, classes of 2003-2009:

<i>Biola University, CA</i>	<i>Seattle Pacific University, WA</i>
<i>Boston University, MA</i>	<i>University of Idaho, ID</i>
<i>Central University, WA</i>	<i>University of Washington, WA</i>
<i>Culinary Institute of NY, NY</i>	<i>Washington State University, WA</i>
<i>Grove City College, PA</i>	<i>Western Washington, WA</i>
<i>Masters College, CA</i>	<i>Westmont College, CA</i>
<i>New Saint Andrews, ID</i>	<i>Wheaton College, IL</i>
<i>Northland Int'l University, WI</i>	<i>Whitworth College, WA</i>