



PALMETTO CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

Upper School Profile 2026-2027

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UPPER SCHOOL PROFILE



AT A GLANCE

659

students
K-12

33

students in the
2027 class

167

High School
students

17

Average Upper
School class size

34

Upper School
faculty members

11

AP courses

22

Honors
courses

95%

of graduates
go on to pursue
a 4-year degree

5%

of graduates
pursue a 2-year
degree, military
service, or
mission work



MISSION

*Equipping students to pursue
Jesus Christ passionately as they
impact the culture.*

2.9 million

in college scholarships offered to
the class of 2026 graduates



ACADEMIC & STUDENT LIFE HIGHLIGHTS

- College-preparatory curriculum
- Senior Thesis required
- Weekly chapel program
- 80 hours of service required
- 31 JV and Varsity teams
- 14 sports offered
- 95% of students have taken college credit coursework upon graduation
- Christ-centered education designed to help students impact the culture



ACCREDITATION & MEMBERSHIPS

- Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI)
- Cognia Global Commission
- North American Coalition for Christian Admissions Professionals
- South Carolina Independent School Association (SCISA)

ACADEMIC INFORMATION



CURRICULUM PROGRESSION

9TH GRADE

World Lit CP
World Lit H
Western Civilization CP
Western Civilization H
Algebra 1 CP
Geometry H
Biology CP
Biology H
Spanish 2 CP
Spanish 2 H
Christian Foundations

10TH GRADE

American Lit CP
American Lit H
US History CP
US History H
Geometry CP
Algebra 2 H
Chemistry CP
Chemistry H
Spanish 3 CP
Spanish 111 - Dual Credit
Old Testament Survey

11TH GRADE

Brit Lit CP
Brit Lit H
Language & Comp AP
Human Geography CP
Human Geography H
Human Geography AP
Algebra 2 CP
Pre-Calculus CP
Pre-Calculus H
Environmental Science CP
Environmental Science H
Anatomy & Phys H
Biology AP
Physics AP
Spanish 102 - Dual Credit
New Testament Survey

12TH GRADE

Senior Lit & Comp CP
Senior Lit & Comp H
English Lit & Comp AP
Government CP
Government AP
Economics CP
Economics Dual Credit
Statistics CP
Statistics H
Calculus AB AP
Environmental Science CP/H
Anatomy & Phys CP/H
Biology AP
Chemistry AP
Worldview

First opportunity to enroll in AP classes is 10th grade. Students can take a maximum of 3AP core courses in junior year and 4 in senior year.



ACT/SAT SUMMARY 24-26

ACT mean	24
ACT middle 50%	21-27
SAT mean	ERW 604 Math 583 Total 1187
SAT middle 50%	1090-1260



AP TESTING SUMMARY

	2024	2025	2026
Total AP Students	70	65	68
# of Exams	103	115	120
Scores 3+	49	59	55
% Scores 3+	70.00	90.77	87

All enrolled AP students at PCA take the national exam.



CLASS OF 2026 GPA DISTRIBUTION

GPA RANGE	# STUDENTS
5.0+	13
4.5-4.99	13
4.0-4.49	10
3.5-3.99	6



SC UNIFORM GRADING SCALE

A	90-100
B	80-89
C	70-79
F	69 or below



CLASS RANK & GPA

Palmetto Christian Academy releases rank to parents and students as requested and to scholarship committees, financial aid departments, and college admissions offices as required.

GPA is calculated and weighted using the South Carolina Uniform Grading Scale (5.0), with a passing grade of 70. Honors classes are awarded an additional 0.5 quality point, and AP courses are awarded an additional 1.0 quality point.



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

English 4 credits	Computer 1 credit
Social Studies 4 credits	Fine Arts 1 credit
Laboratory Science 4 credits	Physical Education 1 credit
Mathematics 4 credits	Personal Finance 0.5 credit
Bible 4 credits	Senior Thesis 1 credit
Foreign Language 3 credits	



A SNAPSHOT OF COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES, CLASSES OF 2024-2026

Appalachian State University
Anderson University
Auburn University
Baylor University
Charleston Southern University
Clemson University
Coastal Carolina University
College of Charleston
Elon University
Fisher College
Flagler College

Florida Atlantic University
Florida Gulf Coast University
Florida Institute of Technology
Florida State University
Francis Marion University
Furman University
Georgia Southern University
High Point University
Iowa State University
Kansas State University
Lander University

Liberty University
Lipscomb University
Louisiana State University
Loyola University Chicago
Mercer University
North Carolina State University
North Greenville University
Palm Beach Atlantic University
Penn State University Park
Pepperdine University
Presbyterian College
Regent University

Samford University
Taylor University
Texas Christian University
The Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina
The University of Alabama
The University of Iowa
The University of Tampa
The University of Tennessee
The University of the South
University of Colorado Boulder

University of Dayton
University of Florida
University of Georgia
University of Kentucky
University of Miami
University of Mississippi
University of Missouri
University of Montana
University of Oklahoma
University of South Carolina

University of South Florida
University of Toronto
University of Virginia
Valparaiso University
Virginia Tech University
West Virginia University
Winthrop University
Wofford College



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