

# PALMETTO CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

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# **MISSION STATEMENT**

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

# **ADMINISTRATION**

**JD Zubia, M. Ed.** Headmaster

**Sean Keiper, M. Ed.** Upper School Principal

Myra Finneran, Ph.D.

Director of Curriculum & Instruction

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# **ACCREDITATION**

Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI)

Cognia Global Commission

# **MEMBERSHIPS**

North American Coalition for Christian Admissions Professionals



# **PCA AT A GLANCE**

Christ-centered education designed to help students impact the culture

| 690<br>students<br>K-12 | students<br>in the 2024<br>senior class | 153<br>High School<br>students  | average Upper School class size | 30<br>Upper School<br>faculty<br>members |
|-------------------------|---|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| 8                       | 25                                      | 80                              | 27                              | 13                                       |
| AP Courses              | Honors<br>courses                       | hours of<br>service<br>required | JV and Varsity<br>teams         | sports<br>offered                        |

96% of our graduates go on to pursue a 4-year degree

4% of our graduates pursue a 2-year degree, military service, or mission work

 $\bf 98\%$  of our students have taken college credit coursework upon graduation

 ${f 3.8}$  million in college scholarships offered to the 37, Class of 2022 graduates

- College-preparatory curriculum
- Senior Thesis required
- Weekly chapel program

#### **ACT/SAT SUMMARY** Class of 2021-2023

|            | ACT   | SAT                                 |
|------------|-------|-------------------------------------|
| MEAN       | 24    | ERW: 607   Math: 577<br>Total: 1185 |
| MIDDLE 50% | 21-28 | 1080-1260                           |

#### THE CURRICULUM

Our program of study is a liberal arts model that develops strong core academic competencies while encouraging students to develop their unique gifts through co-curricular activities in academics, fine arts, leadership, spiritual training, and athletics. Our four years of core coursework in English, Social Studies, Mathematics, Science, and Bible exceeds minimum South Carolina graduation requirements. All seniors complete a Thesis course in which students establish and defend a position in a written and oral form.

# **GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

| English                   | 4 credits | Foreign Language   | 3 credits |
|---------------------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|
| Social Studies            | 4 credits | Computer           | 1 credit  |
| <b>Laboratory Science</b> | 4 credits | Fine Arts          | 1 credit  |
| Mathematics               | 4 credits | Physical Education | 1 credit  |
| Bible                     | 4 credits | Senior Thesis      | 1 credit  |

#### **COURSE OFFERINGS**

#### **Bible**

**Old Testament New Testament** Systematic Theology Worldview

#### **English**

World Literature Honors World Literature American Literature Honors American Literature **British Literature** Honors British Literature Senior Literature & Composition Honors Senior Literature & Composition AP English Language & Composition AP English Literature & Composition

#### **Social Studies**

Western Civilization Honors Western Civilization **US History** Honors US History Human Geography Honors Human Geography Government **Economics Dual Credit Government Dual Credit Economics AP US History** AP European History

### **Mathematics**

Algebra 1 Honors Algebra 1 Advanced Algebra Geometry **Honors Geometry** Algebra 2 Advanced Pre-Calculus Honors Pre-Calculus College Algebra **Honors Statistics AP Statistics** 

AP Calculus AB

#### **Lab Sciences**

Biology Honors Biology Chemistry **Honors Chemistry Physics** Honors Anatomy & Physiology AP Environmental Science **AP Biology** 

# Foreign Language

Spanish 1 Honors Spanish 1 Spanish 2 Honors Spanish 2 **Dual Credit Spanish 111 Dual Credit Spanish 112** 

#### **Fine Arts**

Choir Honors Choir Band Honors Band Yearbook Honors Yearbook Art 1 Honors Art 2 Creative Writing & Illustration Graphic Design AP 2-D Art & Design

#### **General Electives**

Physical Education/Health **Computer Science** European War History Holocaust & Humanity Life of Churchill Personal Finance Domestic Science & Life Skills Psychology Internship **Executive Function** 



# **CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

Palmetto Christian Academy considers co-curricular activities to be tools for training in Christian character as well as a means for all students to discover and refine their unique talents.

## **CLASS RANK & GRADING SCALE**

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 .5 quality point, and AP courses are awarded an additional 1.0 quality point.

#### **SOUTH CAROLINA** UNIFORM GRADING SCALE

| Α | 90-100      |
|---|-------------|
| В | 80-89       |
| С | 70-79       |
| D | 60-69       |
| F | 59 or below |

#### **CLASS OF 2023 GPA DISTRIBUTION**

| GPA       | # OF STUDENTS |
|-----------|---------------|
| 5.0+      | 4             |
| 4.5-4.99  | 9             |
| 4.0-4.49  | 9             |
| 3.5 -3.99 | 6             |

**AP TESTING Three-Year School Summary** Percentage of students scoring 3 or higher

| YEAR      | PERCENTAGE |
|-----------|------------|
| 2021-2022 | 79%        |
| 2020-2021 | 76%        |
| 2019-2020 | 82%        |

All enrolled AP students at PCA take the national exam.