

# PROVIDENCE ACADEMY PROFILE 2023-2024

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Serving students in grades K4-12

The mission of Providence Academy is to minister to families by partnering with Christian parents to provide for their children a classical education founded upon a Biblical worldview so that these children may commence a lifelong pursuit of knowledge, wisdom, and understanding in their purposeful and passionate service of Jesus Christ, for the glory of God.

## OVERVIEW

Providence Academy is a private Christian school located in Rockwall, Texas. PA was founded in 2009 and provides an intensive liberal arts education utilizing classical content and methods. PA is a certified University-Model® (UMSI) school and is accredited through SACS (Southern Association of Colleges and Schools)/Cognia. Providence Academy serves 260 students with approximately 56 in grades 9-12.

## FACULTY

The Providence Academy School of Rhetoric (grades 9-12) maintains small classroom sizes to maximize student and teacher interaction. All PA faculty members hold college degrees, most in their field of instruction, and 40% hold advanced degrees.

## PEDAGOGY AND CURRICULUM HIGHLIGHTS

*The Liberal Arts* - All students are required to complete formal coursework in the liberal arts trivium of grammar, logic, and rhetoric.

*Math* courses are taught on an accelerated level beginning with Algebra I in 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Students may pursue five total credits in mathematics.

*Languages* - Students begin Latin studies in K4. Formal coursework begins in grade 6 and continues through high school. Latin I is required for all Providence Academy graduates.

*Senior Thesis* - The culmination of PA's Rhetoric studies is an intensive research project. During their 11<sup>th</sup> grade year, students develop and prepare to defend a thesis paper. This thesis defense, made in 12<sup>th</sup> grade before a panel of judges, is the capstone of their experience at Providence Academy.

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Providence Academy requires graduates to earn **26** credits, as follows:

- 4 English Credits
- 4 History Credits
- 4 Mathematics Credits
- 4 Science Credits
- 3 Foreign Language Credits (Latin I required)
- 2 Classical Studies Credits (Logic & Rhetoric)
- 2 Theological Studies Credits (Theology I&II)
- 2 Fine Arts Credits
- 1 Physical Education Credit

*All Providence Academy students are required to earn a minimum of 60 hours of community service to graduate.*

## GRADE POINT AVERAGE

NUMERIC PERCENTAGE	LETTER GRADE	GPA VALUE
93 – 100%	A	4.0
90 – 92	A-	3.7
87 – 89	B+	3.3
83 – 86	B	3.0
80 – 82	B-	2.7
77 – 79	C+	2.3
73 – 76	C	2.0
70 – 72	C-	1.7
67 – 69	D+	1.3
63 – 66	D	1.0
60 – 62	D-	0.7
< 60%	F	0.0

*Calculation Method* Division of the total amount of grade points earned by the total amount of credit hours attempted.

*Weighting* Providence Academy does not assign extra weight to grades in particular courses; grades in all courses have the same weight.

## RANKING

Due to the caliber of Providence students, the school does not calculate class rank beyond designating a Valedictorian and Salutatorian.