



City of Pembroke Pines Charter High School Academic Village  
6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Center  
Academic Profile for 2020-2021 School Year [www.hs.pinescharter.net](http://www.hs.pinescharter.net)

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### **Mission**

The Pembroke Pines Charter Community will provide a challenging educational foundation to prepare students for college success and responsible citizenship.

## **School**

Pembroke Pines Charter High School is a public charter college preparatory high school owned and operated by the City of Pembroke Pines, Florida. Currently, there are 2112 students in grades six to twelve, and 1812 students in grades nine through twelve. The City of Pembroke Pines borrowed Thomas Jefferson's concept of an Academic Village and transformed the campus into a cultural and intellectual hub, incorporating partnerships with the Broward County Library System, Broward Community College, and the City Department of Parks and Recreation. These partnerships afford our students a state-of-the-art library, dual-enrollment opportunities, a community theater auditorium, and outstanding athletic facilities. Pembroke Pines is a residential suburb of Fort Lauderdale, Florida. It was incorporated in 1960 and has a population of 172,374 (as of 2018).

## **Accreditation**

Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS).

## **Faculty**

The school has a professional teaching staff of 120. The entire teaching faculty holds state certification and 40% hold advanced degrees.

## **6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Demographics**

<b>White</b>	<b>22%</b>
<b>Black/African American</b>	<b>21%</b>
<b>Hispanic/Latino</b>	<b>46%</b>
<b>Asian</b>	<b>7%</b>
<b>Native American</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>Multi-racial</b>	<b>3%</b>

**52% Male and 49% Female**

**39% on Free/Reduced Lunch**

## **Curriculum**

Students in Grades 9-12 follow a college preparatory curriculum and are required to meet all the requirements for a standard Florida diploma. Twenty-nine (29) Honors level courses are provided, including several district level honors electives (ex: Debate, Journalism, and Theatre).

## **Advanced Placement (AP) Program**

Nineteen (19) Advanced Placement courses are currently offered at PPCHS through the College Board Advanced Placement Program in 2-D Art & Design, 3-D Art & Design,

Biology, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Chemistry, Computer Science Principles, Drawing, English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, Environmental Science, Physics 1, Physics 2, Psychology, Spanish Language and Culture, Statistics, United States Government & Politics, United States History, and World History: Modern. All students enrolled in AP courses are required to take AP exams. In 2017, 899 AP exams were administered.

### **Cambridge/AICE Program (established in 2014-2015 school year)**

The **Advanced International Certificate of Education** (AICE) is an academically rigorous, internationally used, specialized, English language curriculum offered to students in the higher levels of secondary school. The curriculum is overseen by Cambridge International Examinations, who first implemented the AICE in 1994. It includes classes in the subject areas of mathematics and science; languages; and arts and humanities. There are two levels of difficulty: Advanced Subsidiary level (AS) and Advanced level (A) with Advanced level being more challenging. It is mandatory for a student to have taken and passed a subject on the Advanced Level. Successful completion of the program within a thirteen-month period confers a Cambridge AICE Diploma. To successfully complete the curriculum, a student must achieve at least 120 points with a minimum of seven credits in courses spread across the subject areas. The United States has identified AICE as a graduation option and acceleration mechanism through which students can be awarded up to 45 hours of college credit. Students earning the AICE Diploma in Florida qualify for the Florida Bright Futures Academic Scholarship while students completing the curriculum can earn the Medallion tuition scholarship (pending annual legislation).

**AICE courses offered:** General Paper, English Language, English Literature, Global Perspectives, Geography, Psychology, Spanish Language, History, Marine Science, Mathematics, Media Studies, Thinking Skills.

### **Dual Enrollment**

PPCHS students who maintain an unweighted 3.0 GPA and earn specific test scores have an opportunity to participate in the Dual Enrollment program at Broward College. Through this program, students can take college courses while in high school. They earn high school and college credit for the courses taken. The high school credit holds a quality "weight" as Advanced Placement classes. PPCHS provides students the opportunity to take ENC1101, ENC1102, Digital Photoshop, and Computer Literacy with PPCHS teachers approved as Broward College professors.

### **Grading**

All subjects earn semester credit unless it is a core academic course with a state required End-of-Course (EOC) exam. EOC courses: Algebra 1, Geometry, Biology, and

U.S. History issues credit at the end of the school year. EOC exams are worth 30% of the student's overall grade earned in the course per the Florida Department of Education.

### **Grading Scale**

A = 90-100

B+ = 87-89

B = 80-86

C+ = 77-79

C = 70-76

D+ = 67-69

D = 60-66

F = 0-59

**Weighted Grade Point Averages:** Grades in academic classes which are labeled Honors or Pre-AICE earn one extra quality point for a "C" or higher earned.

Advanced Placement, AICE, and dual enrollment courses receive two extra quality points for a grade earned of "C" or higher. Plus (+) grades receive an additional .5 quality point for the purpose of class ranking only (weighted district grade point average). Additionally, students who take courses at Broward College qualify to receive two extra quality points for a grade earned of "C" or higher.

### **2019 SAT Mean Scores**

ERW – 569

Math – 550

### **2019 ACT Mean Score**

Composite – 23

### **College Placement**

Class of 2020:

- 95% went on to post-secondary study
- 65% to 4 year colleges/universities
- 30% to 2 year community colleges