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High School Profile 2024-2025

Mission

The mission of Pine View School is to provide a qualitatively different learning environment that nurtures a passion for intellectual curiosity, that encourages risk-taking, independence and innovation, and that is committed to a tradition of academic excellence and social responsibility.

Vision

Pine View is the premier school for arts and sciences dedicated to providing excellence in research-based teaching practices that foster intellectual, social, and emotional growth in gifted students.

School Description

Pine View School for the Gifted was founded in 1969 by the Sarasota County School District to meet the unique needs of intellectually gifted students in grades 2-12. As the only school of its kind in Florida—and one of the few stand alone gifted programs in the nation—Pine View offers an exceptional educational experience that fosters intellectual curiosity, academic excellence, and personal growth.

Pine View provides a dynamic and enriching learning environment where intellectual inquiry is celebrated, and a culture of achievement is nurtured. The school has a rich tradition of rigorous academics and has consistently ranked among the top public high schools in the state and nation. Beyond academics, Pine View offers extensive opportunities for creativity, leadership, and innovation, ensuring that students are well-prepared for both higher education and future careers.

At Pine View, education extends beyond the classroom. Character development and service learning are integral to the student experience, encouraging social awareness and a deep sense of responsibility. Through meaningful projects and initiatives, students are empowered to make a lasting impact on their communities and beyond—an enduring tradition that defines Pine View's legacy of excellence.

Enrollment

Admission to Pine View is based on a comprehensive evaluation of students' intellectual abilities, including full-scale intellectual assessments, performance scales, academic achievement and recommendations. The school serves 1,770 students in grades 2-12, with a high school enrollment of 709 students (Grades 9-12) for the 2024-2025 school year. The Class of 2025 comprises 161 students.

GPA/Class Rank

It is Pine View School policy not to report class rank.

All high school courses (Grades 8-12) are used in computing Grade Point Average. It is important to note that electives taken by many Pine View students for intellectual diversity and challenge are *not* weighted, so that even high grades in these courses may lower a student's weighted grade point average. Grading Policy: A = 90 – 100 B = 80 – 89 C = 70 – 79 D 60 – 69 F = 0 – 59

Evaluation and Testing

SAT (Senior Class)

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
ERW	688	683	690	687	699
Math	688	686	700	689	703

ACT (Senior Class)

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
English	31.6	30.4	30.0	30.1	29.3
Math	30.2	28.5	29.0	29.0	28.2
Reading	32.5	31.2	31.5	31.2	313
Science Reasoning	20.5	29.2	30.4	29.7	28.9
Composite	31.40	29.9	30.3	30.1	29.6

Advanced Placement (Schoolwide 9-12)

	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024
Scores Reported	1919	1847	1752	1705	1982
Score of 5	543	534	617	575	745
Score of 4	579	552	556	551	703
Score of 3	507	484	368	412	379
Score of 2	223	191	160	115	127
Score of 1	67	86	51	52	28
Total 3 or higher	1629	1570	1541	1538	1827

National Merit Scholarship Program

	Class of 2021	Class of 2022	Class of 2023	Class of 2024	Class of 2025
Participants	197	199	175	157	161
Semi-Finalists	18	22	30	23	27
Finalists	17	20	30	22	27
Commended Scholars	21	40	40	34	30

Class of 2025 Grade Distribution

Legend: ■ 3.9 - 4.0   ■ 3.5 - 3.8999   ■ 3.0 - 3.4999   ■ Below 3.0
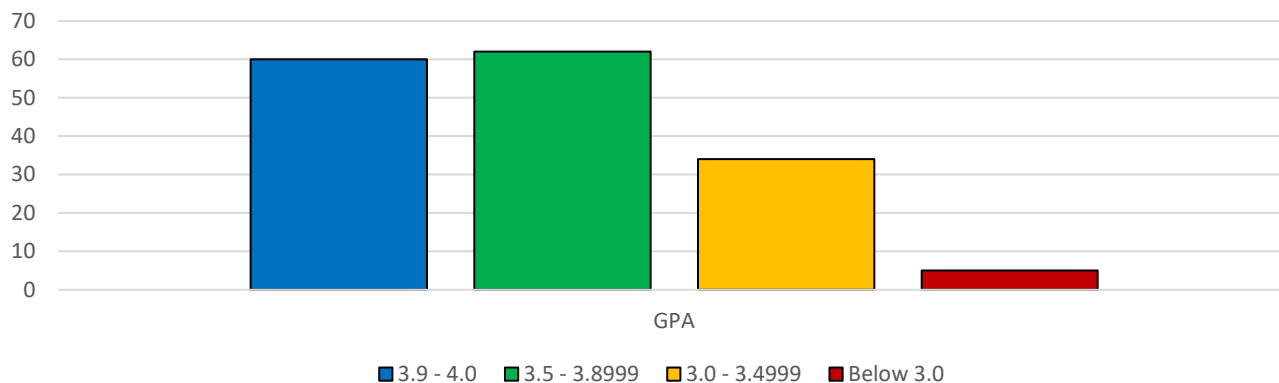
Pine View Academics

At the high school level Pine View offers 100 weighted courses, including 8 Dual Enrollment, 35 Advanced Placement, and 57 Honors courses. Its academic program is designed to be accelerated, enriched, and tailored to meet the needs of gifted students. To earn a Pine View Diploma, students must complete 26 credits, including 17 core academic courses taught at Pine View by gifted-endorsed faculty.

English
English I-IV HON
AP English Language
AP English Literature
DE English ENC 1101
DE English ENC 1102
DE LIT 2000 Intro to Lit)
DE LIT 2030 Great Ideas Poet
Creative Writing, I-II
Creative Writing III HON
Journalism I, III Broadcast
Journalism I, III Newspaper
Journalism I, III Yearbook
Journ V, VI Hon Broadcast
Journ V, VI Hon Newspaper
Journ V, VI Hon Yearbook
AP Capstone Seminar
AP Capstone Research

Mathematics
Algebra I-II HON
Geometry HON
Precalculus HON
AP Precalculus
Calculus HON
AP Calculus AB
AP Calculus BC
AP Statistics
Prob, Stat w/App HON
Calculus III DE
Differential Equations DE

Science
Biology I HON
AP Biology
Bioscience II HON*
Chemistry 1 HON

Science (cont'd)
Chemistry I HON
AP Chemistry
Chem 2 (Organic) HON*
Physics I HON
AP Physics 1
AP Physics 2
AP Physics C: E & M
AP Physics C: Mechanics
Marine Science I HON
Anatomy/Physiology HON
AP Environmental Science
Astronomy HON
DE AST 2002 Intro to Astr
DE AST 2004 Descriptive
Stellar Astr
*Terminal Course work

Social Studies
World History HON
United States History HON
AP Human Geography
AP World History: Modern
AP European History
AP United States History
AP Art History
U.S. Government HON
Economics HON
AP U.S. Government & Pol
AP Comparative Government
AP Microeconomics
AP Macroeconomics
AP Psychology
Philosophy HON
History of the Vietnam War
Multi-Cultural Studies
African Amer Hist HON
Personal Finance HON

Social Studies (cont'd)
Holocaust HON
Law Studies
Sociology
Philosophy HON

World Language
Spanish I-II
Spanish III-V HON
French I-II
French III-IV HON
AP Spanish Language
AP Spanish Literature
AP French Lang & Culture
Chinese I-II
Chinese III-IV HON
AP Chinese Language

Art
Digital Art Imaging I-II
Digital Art Imaging III HON
2-D Studio Art I-II
2-D Studio Art 3 HON
3-D Studio Art I-II
Port Dev 2-D Design HON
Port Dev 3-D Design HON
AP 2-D Art & Design
AP 3-D Art & Design
AP Drawing

Music
Orchestra 3-4
Orchestra 5-6 HON
Chorus 3-4
Chorus 5-6 HON
Vocal Ensemble I-III
Vocal Ensemble IV HON

Music (cont'd)
Music Theory II HON
AP Music Theory
Jazz Ensemble I-III
Jazz Ensemble IV HON
Concert Band 3-5
Concert Band 6 HON
Instrumental Tecnqs 1-3
Instrumental Tecnqs 4 Hon
Guitar I-II

Theater
Theatre I-II
Theatre III - IV HON

Technology
Intro Engineering Design HON
Principals of Engineering HON
Aerospace Eng. HON
Engr Design & Dev HON
Digital Media I-II
Dig Media III-IV HON
Digital Media/MM MG Prod
AP Computer Science Princ
AP Computer Science A

Senior Electives
Executive Externship

Students may elect to enroll in a variety of Dual Enrollment courses offered through the University of Florida, University of South Florida, or State College of Florida.

Graduation Requirements		
English	4 credits	Concentration in composition and literature
Mathematics	4 credits	Beginning with Algebra 1 Honors
Science	3 credits	Four credits recommended, two lab sciences required
Social Studies	3 credits	World History & U.S. History .5 Economics & .5 Government
World Language	3 credits	Minimum 3 years in one language
H.O.P.E	1 credit	Health Opportunities through Physical Education
Electives	8 credits	One credit minimum practical art / performing fine art

Five Year College Matriculation

Below is the list of institutions to which Pine View students matriculated between 2020-2024.

University of Florida

Saint John's University

Adelphi University
Agnes Scott College
University of Alabama
American University
American University of Paris
Appalachian State University
Art Center College of Design
Auburn University
Bellevue College
Boston College
Boston University
Bowdoin College
University of British Columbia
Brown University
Bryn Mawr College
Bucknell University
California Institute of Technology
University of California, Los Angeles
University of California, San Diego
University of California, Santa Barbara
University of California, Santa Cruz
Carleton College
Carnegie Mellon University
Cebu Doctors' University
Cedarville University
University of Central Florida
University of Chicago
Colgate University
University of Colorado, Boulder
Colorado School of Mines
Colorado State University, Fort Collins
Columbia University
Columbia University – List College
University of Connecticut
Cornell University
Dartmouth College
Davidson College
University of Denver
DePaul University
Drexel University
Duke University
Duquesne University
Eckerd College
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
Emerson College
Emory University
Flagler College
Florida A&M University
Florida Atlantic University
Wilkes Honors College of FAU
Florida Gulf Coast University
Florida Institute of Technology
Florida International University
Florida Polytechnic University
Florida Southern College
Florida State University

Fordham University
Francis Marion University
George Washington University
Georgetown University
Georgia Institute of Technology
Georgia Military College
Harding University
Harvard University
Haverford College
University of Hawaii at Manoa
Hawaii Pacific University
High Point University
Hobart William Smith Colleges
University of Illinois, Urbana
Iona College
Ithaca College
Johns Hopkins University
Lake Sumter State College
Lehigh University
The London School of Economics
Loyola Marymount University
Univ of Massachusetts-Amherst
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
McPherson College
University of Miami
Michigan State University
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Middlebury College
University of Missouri-Kansas City
Mount Holyoke College
New College of Florida
University of New Hampshire
New York University
North Carolina State
Univ of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
University of North Florida
Northeastern University
Northwestern University
University of Notre Dame
Nova Southeastern University
Oberlin College
Oxford College of Emory University
Pennsylvania State University
University of Pennsylvania
University of Pittsburgh
Princeton University
Purdue University
Reichman University
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rhodes College
Rice University
University of Richmond
Ringling College of Art & Design
Roanoke College
Rollins College
Rutgers University

Saint Louis University
Santa Fe College
Savannah College of Art & Design
Smith College
University of South Carolina
University of South Florida
University of South Florida LECoM
University of Southern California
Southern Methodist University
Spelman College
Stanford University
State College of Florida
State University of New York
Stetson University
Stonehill College
Syracuse University
Tallahassee State College
The University of Tampa
University of Tennessee, Knoxville
The University of Texas, Dallas
The Culinary Institute of America
The Ohio State University
University of Toronto
Trinity College
Trinity College - Dublin
Tufts University
Tulane University
United States Military Academy
United States Naval Academy
Universiteit van Amsterdam
University College London
University of Tulsa
Vancouver Film School
Vanderbilt University
University of Virginia
Wake Forest University
Washington and Lee University
University of Washington - Seattle
Washington University in St. Louis
Wesleyan University
Western Carolina University
College of William & Mary
Williams College
University of Wisconsin, Madison
Yale University