

PINNACLE ACADEMY SCHOOL PROFILE

"A Glowing & Growing Learning Community"

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CEEB Code: 470012

School Type: Private, Preschool - Grade 12

Accreditation: Cognia (Previously known as AdvancED)

Established: 2008

Principal: Mrs. Lyndsey, M.Ed

Mission: Pinnacle Academy's mission is to immerse all students in a dynamic STEAM-focused, college-oriented, community-embraced environment that fosters industry-ready and globally competitive leaders. Our only competition is with ourselves.

Vision: Our vision sees students reaching for and exceeding their potential. Our students are curious and innovative thinkers who strive to be accomplished, independent learners. Our graduates are tech-savvy, possess collaborative skills, and embrace diversity.

Our School: Pinnacle Academy serves the educational needs of the students in Fairfax County Area. Located in one of the state's fastest growing areas, the location enjoys a diversified economic base. Pinnacle Academy is a Cognia accredited private school that consists of grades Preschool-12.



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Our Program: The academic program is organized on a traditional ten month school calendar.

- **AP® courses:** AP is an open-enrollment program and provided through APEX Learning®.
- **Honors classes:** English I, Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry, Pre-Calculus, World History, Biology, Spanish and Turkish, PLTW-Introduction to Engineering.
- **College acceptance** received from University of Virginia, College of William and Mary, University of Maryland College Park, George Mason, Arizona State University, American Catholic University, American University
- **Dual Enrollment:** Pinnacle Academy High School becomes Pinnacle Academy Early College program in the 9th grade. Middle school students start earning high school credits as early as 6th grade and high school students start earning college credits as early as 9th grade. After taking a few college courses during the 9th grade, students are fully immersed into Pinnacle Academy Early College partnership with the Northern Virginia Community College. As of 10th grade and up, they continue taking college courses, from college professors, at the college campus, along with other regular college students. Such an opportunity allows the students to earn an advanced high school diploma and an associates degree from the community college by the end of their high school journey.

Enrollment Numbers 2019-2020:

Elementary School: 92

Middle School: 29

High School: 33

Teacher to Student Ratio: 1:10



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Instructional Hours: 4 quarters of 9 weeks for a total of 180 instructional days. Students begin class at 8:25 am and the day concludes at 3:25 pm. Pinnacle Academy also offers a variety of after school clubs and extracurricular activities.

Grading Scale:

A: 90-100%

B: 80-89%

C: 70-79%

D: 60-69%

F: 0-59%

Credit, Grade Point Average, and School Ranking:

Students will receive graduation credit for courses in which they earn a grade of 60% or above. Students will not receive credit for a course in which they earn a grade of 59% or below, or courses in which they receive an incomplete; these grades are considered failing grades (see "Failure"). A student may only earn one credit for each year long academic course. If a course is studied for a second time, the student will only be given credit for the course once.

A grade point average (GPA) is a number representing the average value of the final semester grades earned in the student's courses. The GPA is calculated at the end of each semester by adding up the student's final semester grades and dividing that figure by the number of grades awarded. Students earning a 93% or above GPA are Honor Roll students. All grades for courses taken at Pinnacle Academy will count towards the student's cumulative grade point average.



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Graduation Requirements: Students at Pinnacle Academy must earn a minimum of 26 credits to graduate. The distributional requirements are listed below. Students can earn 1 credit for each full-year course and ½ credit for semester long courses.

- 4 credits of English
- 4 credits of Social Studies
- 4 credits of Math
- 4 credits of Science
- 3 credits of Foreign Languages
- 1 credit of Fine Arts/Engineering
- 2 credits of Physical Fitness
- 1 credit of Personal Finance
- 40 hours of community service (10 hours per year of attendance)

Awards and Distinctions:

- School Future City Team recognized at the White House Science Fair by President Obama
- Advancement to National Finals on GeoBee, HistoryBee, competitions for multiple years
- Visited and Recognized by 2014 Nobel Peace Prize Winner Kailash Satyarthi
- Visited and recognized by Senator Tim Kaine
- National Finalists in Nation-wide math competition MathCon.
- Organizer of Regional Science Fair in partnership with George Mason University
- NASA Paid Summer Internship
- Regional Science Fair winners
- First place in state-wide FLL Competition
- FRC Team won the Best Rookie Award in Regional
- Sophomore PSAT 10 average is 1,283 and junior PSAT 10 average is 1,293

