



**Pacific Crest Academy** 2022-2023

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<https://pacificcrest.eduhsd.k12.ca.us/>

CEEB Code: 050856

### School

Pacific Crest Academy (PCA) is a dependent public charter high school within the El Dorado Union High School District. PCA is certified by the State of California through the Western Accreditation of Colleges and School accreditation process. We have also been accredited by the state's leading Charter School Association since 2002.

PCA is an early college high school, offering limited campus enrollment, small class sizes, and a blended learning environment. Students have the opportunity to complete district graduation requirements, with the enhancement of concurrent enrollment at community colleges.

### Community

Pacific Crest Academy prepares students for careers through a technology infused instruction emphasizing STEM, communication, historical perspectives, quality internships and early college experience.

The school is located in rural El Dorado County in Northern California in the Sierra Nevada foothills between Sacramento and Lake Tahoe. The El Dorado Union High School District serves 6,665 students who enter high school from 12 feeder elementary districts. PCA is WASC accredited through June 2026.

### Academic Year

Using a 4x4 block schedule the school year is divided into two terms, each term with two semesters; Fall Term is from August to December and Spring Term is from January to May. Students may complete up to 8 classes each school year with optional college summer courses.

Class sessions consist of a minimum of 180 minutes of seat-based instruction. Because instructional time is longer than those in a traditional high school schedule, students complete an entire two-semester course in one PCA term. Students who take a full schedule of classes during all four years of high school may take a total of 32 classes compared to a total of 24 in a traditional sixth period day schedule.

### Award Winning Activities & Students

NSDA Debate National Winner 2022

College Board National Rural and Small

Town Award Recipients 2022

### Special Programs

Core classes at PCA require in-class attendance, independent study, and assessment consistent with state and national standards. In lieu of offering AP courses, students who qualify can enroll in college courses through the Los Rios Community College District, most often Folsom Lake College. Students demonstrating high academic ability may take up to two college courses per term.

PCA is the only site within EDUHS D offering internships. Students may opt to enroll in one 10 week internship each term. Students have access to CTE development through 10 Regional Occupation Programs within the district.

Through a CIF Agreement, eligible students may participate in athletics at their school of residence. Students may participate in clubs, classes if scheduling allows, and events at their school of residence.

### Graduation Requirements: 230 total credits

30 credits	English
30 credits	Social Studies/History
20 credits	Mathematics
20 credits	Science
20 credits	Life Fitness
10 credits	Visual and Performing Arts, World Language
5 credits	Health
5 credits	Computer Technology
90 credits	Additional Electives

### Advanced Curriculum Offered

Adv. English 2, Adv. English 3, Adv. Chemistry

### Overall Course Offerings

English - English 1, English 2, English 3, English 4

Mathematics - Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2

Science - Earth and Space Science, Biology, Chemistry, Physics

Social Science - World History, US History, Government/Economics

Foreign Language - Spanish 1-3 (FLC Onsite Option), French 1-3 (Apex) German 1-2 (Edgenuity)

Visual & Performing Arts - Music Appreciation, Art

Appreciation, Art 300 (FLC Onsite Option) Physical Education - Life Fitness 1, Life Fitness 2 Information

Computer Technology

Health & Electives

### Grading

Unweighted classes are graded on a four-point scale.

A=4, B=3, C=2, D=1, F=0

Grades 9-12 are calculated in GPA

College classes receive a grade weighted by one point, A= 5.



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### **Ethnic Distribution of Pacific Crest Academy:**

American Indian: 1.9%; Hispanic: 19.4%; White: 65%;  
Asian: .9%; Pacific Islander: 0.9%  
Black/African American: 0%; Multi-Ethnic  
(Non-Hispanic): 11.65%  
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged: 24% receive Free  
or Reduced lunch

### **Enrollment at a Glance**

Total school enrollment: 107 Grade 12: 31  
Number of teaching faculty: 5  
Maximum school enrollment permitted: 128

### **Class Rank**

Calculated on Total GPA 9-12  
Overall GPA Breakdown of class of 2022 is:  
4.0+ GPA- 19%  
3.5-3.99: 26%  
3.0-3.49: 23%  
2.5-2.99: 16%  
2.0-2.49: 13%  
Below 2.0: 6%

### **Class of 2022 Completion of Folsom Lake College**

**Courses:** 67.7% of students completed at least one  
college course.

Number of students completing 18+ college units: 1  
12-16 college units: 5; 9-10 college units: 3;  
6-7 college units: 9; 3 college units: 1

**College Entrance Requirements:** 12th grade students  
meeting the UC/CSU A-G course entrance requirement:

Class of 2022- 42%  
Class of 2021- 46%  
Class of 2020- 58%

### **Post-secondary plans after graduation**

Class of 2022: Universities/4 year colleges: 25%  
Two-Year College: 46% Work Force: 4%  
Technical Institutions: 4%

Class of 2021: Universities/4 year colleges: 33%  
Two-Year College: 45% Work Force: 9% Technical  
Institutions: 13%

College acceptances include UC Berkeley, UC Davis,  
Baylor Univ.; Brigham Young Univ.; Corban Univ.;  
CSUS, Sacramento, San Jose, San Marcos; Saint  
Mary's College of Calif.; Univ. of Arizona; Univ. of  
Oklahoma; Univ. of Southern Oregon; Univ. of  
Washington

### **Impact of Covid -19 Pandemic**

PCA transitioned to full distance learning in March  
2020 and remained in distance learning through  
October 2020. Students worked synchronously online  
with teachers weekly and then transitioned to hybrid  
from October 2020 to March 2021. The hybrid  
learning model allowed courses to continue with  
regular pacing. Extracurricular activities were modified  
according to state law. Graduation requirements were  
reduced and students no longer need English 4 for  
high school graduation. Credit accumulation for  
graduation was reduced from 240 to 230 for the class  
of 2020-2023.

Per California AB 104 - for the 2020-21 school year,  
students were permitted to request a grade change  
from a letter grade on the student transcript to Pass or  
No Pass. This is indicated on our transcript as P or  
NP. No grade points were awarded for any P grade  
earned.

NOTE: Pacific Crest Academy was previously named  
EDUHSD Virtual Academy and Shenandoah. The  
charter and school code remain the same. CEEB  
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