



# ACADEMIA LOS PINARES

## "EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION" SCHOOL PROFILE

CEEB Code: 862295

### Superintendent/Rector

Mrs. Kimberly Chinchilla

### Honduran Director

Mrs. Isis Alemán

### Preschool Principal

Mrs. Haidy Mejia

### Elementary Principal

Mrs. Emily Mendoza

### Secondary Principal

Mr. Kyle Webb

### School Counselor 11th-12th Grade

Miss Sarah Johnson

## MISSION

To prepare our students with a Christ-centered formation and bilingual education that is accredited nationally and internationally.

## VISION

To be a Christ-centered bilingual educational institute with nationally and internationally accredited academic standards, which forms leaders with Christian faith, character and intellectual maturity to serve Christ and the society.

## FOUNDATION

Academia Los Pinares was founded in 1964 by the Eastern Mennonite Board Missions and Charities as a boarding school for missionary children. Through God's blessing the school has grown from a small mission school of 50 students to a Christian bilingual school of close to 700 students. A governing board consisting of representatives from 5 different Christian mission organizations oversees the school today.

## ENROLLMENT

Enrollment for the 2019-20 school year is at a total of 691 students. Our student body is comprised of about 91% Honduran nationals and 9% non-Honduran expatriates. ALP has an average of 19 students per class.

## CALENDAR & SCHEDULE

The scholastic year normally begins in early August, breaks at Christmas for 2 to 3 weeks, and finishes the first week of June. The school year normally consists of 180-183 school days. The school day begins at 7:30 and ends by 2:43.

## EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Students may participate in extracurricular activities including track, basketball, soccer, volleyball, student council, chess club, Model UN, Math Olympics, Knowledge Bowl science fair, art and music festival, speech, praise band, guitar, orchestra, band, choir, service club, and outreach programs for grades 7 to 12. Upper elementary students may take part in Challenge Club (Christian youth club), basketball, soccer and volleyball. 1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> grade students can participate in a Saturday soccer class during the spring semester. Elementary students are also selected to participate in the Spelling Bee and Art Festival. They also participate in the Music Festival when it is held in Tegucigalpa.

## FACULTY

The faculty of ALP consists of highly devoted and caring teachers and administrators, 42 from the U.S. or Canada and 62 from Honduras.

## STANDARDIZED TESTING

Students in grades 1 to 9 yearly are given the NWEA MAP standardized test, which compares their achievement to students in the United States. Standardized test scores from 2017-2018 place our grade 9-11 students 15 percentiles above the U.S. national average. SAT scores for the 2018 senior class at Academia Los Pinares on average exceeded the national average by 65 points for college-bound seniors.

## ACCREDITATION

The school maintains accreditation with COGNIA, a U.S. accrediting agency for schools and colleges, and is accredited with the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI).



## SCHOOL INFORMATION

### School Level

Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 12

### School Type

Bilingual English and Spanish,  
Private

### School Diploma

Honduran Bachillerato  
Internacional en Ciencias y  
Humanidades & U.S. High School

### Language of Instruction

English

### Religious Affiliation

Evangelical Christian

### City, Country

Tegucigalpa, Honduras

### School Year

Early August to Early June

### Accreditation

COGNIA  
ACSI (Association of Christian  
Schools International)

### Teaching Staff

Total: 104 Faculty & Staff  
Honduran: 62 Faculty & Staff  
U.S. & Canadian: 42 Faculty & Staff

### School Counselors

Sarah Johnson  
[sarah.johnson@pinares.org](mailto:sarah.johnson@pinares.org)  
Jonathan Sierra  
[jonathan.sierra@pinares.org](mailto:jonathan.sierra@pinares.org)

### Student Body

Total Students  
691 Students  
Honduran Students  
670 Students  
Foreign Students  
21 Students  
Average Class Size  
19 Students

### Students by Grade & Avg Class Size

Grade	Total	Per Class
Pre-Kinder	37	19
Kindergarten	41	20
Grade 1	43	15
Grade 2	60	20
Grade 3	51	17
Grade 4	53	18
Grade 5	43	22
Grade 6	59	20
Grade 7	42	21
Grade 8	41	21
Grade 9	44	22

Grade 10	49	20
Grade 11	61	20
Grade 12	54	18

### Grading Scale

Excellent	A	94-100
Good	B	86- 93
Acceptable	C	76- 85
Passing	D	70- 75

### U.S. Diploma Requirements

English	4 credits
Spanish	2 credits
Mathematics	3 credits
Science	3 credits
U.S. History	1 credit
Other Social Studies	2 credits
Physical Education	2 credits

### Additional Honduran/ ALP Requirements

Art	9 <sup>th</sup> - 11 <sup>th</sup>
Bible ALP	9 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup>
Biology	10 <sup>th</sup>
Chemistry	11 <sup>th</sup>
College & Career Prep	10 <sup>th</sup> - 11 <sup>th</sup>
Computer	9 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup>
Economía	12 <sup>th</sup>
Español	9 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup>
Health ALP	9 <sup>th</sup>
Historia de Honduras	10 <sup>th</sup>
Math	9 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup>
Music	9 <sup>th</sup>
Philosophy	12 <sup>th</sup>
Physical Education	9 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup>
Physics	12 <sup>th</sup>

### Elementary Activities

Challenge Club  
5<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade After School  
Basketball, Soccer, and Volleyball

1<sup>st</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Saturday Soccer  
Classes

Selected Students Participate in  
Spelling Bee and Art Festival  
Competitions.

### Secondary Activities

Track	Basketball
Soccer	Volleyball
Choir	Band
Guitar	Praise Band
Yearbook	Student Counsel
Chess Club	Knowledge Bowl
Science Fair	Spelling Bee
Math Olympics	Speech
Service Club	Outreach
Model UN Conferences	

## STANDARDIZED TESTS

### Terra Nova 3 Averages 2018-19

Grades 1-8 49<sup>th</sup> percentile  
Grades 9-11 65<sup>th</sup> percentile  
*U.S. National Mean 50<sup>th</sup> percentile*

### Terra Nova 3 Averages 2017-18

Grades 1-8 58<sup>th</sup> percentile  
Grades 9-11 70<sup>th</sup> percentile  
*U.S. National Mean 50<sup>th</sup> percentile*

### Terra Nova 3 Averages 2016-17

Grades 1-8 57<sup>st</sup> percentile  
Grades 9-11 70<sup>th</sup> percentile  
*U.S. National Mean 50<sup>th</sup> percentile*

### Terra Nova 3 Averages 2015-16

Grades 1-8 58<sup>st</sup> percentile  
Grades 9-11 75<sup>th</sup> percentile  
*U.S. National Mean 50<sup>th</sup> percentile*

## COLLEGE & CAREER READINESS BENCHMARKS

**Green** The section scores meet or exceeds the benchmark.

**Yellow** The section score is within one year's academic growth of the benchmark.

**Blue** The section score is below the benchmark by more than one year's academic growth.

### SAT Benchmarks

**Below within 1 YR Meets/Exceeds**

EBRW **200-450** **460-470** **480-800**

Math **200-500** **510-520** **530-800**

SAT Averages 2019 ALP Seniors

EBRW **589** Math **581**

SAT Averages 2018 ALP Seniors

EBRW **611** Math **596**

SAT Averages 2016 ALP Seniors

EBRW **602** Math **576**

SAT Averages 2015 ALP Seniors

EBRW **596** Math **564**

### PSAT Benchmarks

**Below within 1 YR Meets/Exceeds**

EBRW **160-420** **430-450** **460-760**

Math **160-470** **480-500** **510-760**

PSAT Averages 2019 ALP Juniors

EBRW **515** Math **473**

PSAT Averages 2018 ALP Juniors

EBRW **585** Math **572**

PSAT Averages 2017 ALP Juniors

EBRW **536** Math **489**

PSAT Averages 2016 ALP Juniors

## 2010-2018

### COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY

#### ACCEPTANCES

Abilene Christian University\*  
American University\*  
Babson College\*  
Bates College Baylor University\*  
Boston University\*  
Brown University\*  
Calvin College\*  
Case Western Reserve University\*  
Cedarville University\*  
Cornell University\*  
Duke University  
Elon University\*  
Emory University\*  
Florida State University  
Georgetown University\*  
Grinnell College\*  
Johns Hopkins University  
Liberty University\*  
Messiah College\*  
Michigan State University\*  
National Taipei University\* (Taiwan)  
National Taiwan Normal University\*  
New York University\*  
Northeastern University\*  
University of Notre Dame  
Penn State University\*  
Pepperdine University  
Purdue University  
Savannah College of Art and Design\*  
St. Mary's University in San Antonio\*  
El Tecnológico de Monterrey\* (México)  
Texas A&M University  
Texas Christian University\*  
Trent University\* (Canada)  
Trevecca Nazarene University\*  
Tulane University\*  
Universidad de Navarra\* (Spain)  
University of British Columbia\* (Canada)  
University of Denver  
University of Florida  
University of Miami\*  
University of Michigan\*  
University of Pennsylvania  
University of Richmond  
University of Rochester  
University of Southern California  
University of Tampa\*  
Villanova University\*  
Worcester Polytechnic Institute\*  
York University\* (Canada)  
Zamorano

*\*Scholarships awarded to Graduates*

## 2019

### COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY

#### ACCEPTANCES

Abilene Christian University\*  
Acadia University (Canada)\*  
Bluegrass Community and Technical College\*  
California Polytechnic University – Pomona  
Calvin College\*  
Cambrian College  
Case Western Reserve University\*  
Clemson University\*  
Dallas Baptist University Del Mar College  
Drexel University\*  
Duquesne University\*  
Florida Atlantic University  
Florida Gulf Coast University\*  
Florida International University\*  
Fordham University\*  
Gannon University  
Georgia Institute of Technology  
Georgia Southern University\*  
GISMA Business School (Germany)  
Hofstra University  
Hult International Business School\*  
Illinois Technological University\*  
Indiana University Purdue  
University Indianapolis\*  
Indiana University – Bloomington\*  
Johnson & Wales University – Providence\*  
La Roche University\*  
Lakehead University (Canada)\*  
Louisiana State University\*  
Loyola Marymount University\*  
Loyola University Chicago\*  
Loyola University New Orleans\*  
Lynn University  
Manhattanville College\*  
Marquette University\*  
Mercyhurst University\*  
Messiah College  
Michigan State University\*  
Montana State University\*  
North Carolina State University  
Northern Colorado University\*  
Northwestern University\*  
Oral Roberts University\*  
Ouachita Baptist University\*  
Pennsylvania State University  
Pepperdine University\*  
Providence College\*  
Purdue University  
Nova Southeastern University\*

Robert Morris University\*  
Saint Leo University\*  
Saint Louis University\*  
Salve Regina University\*  
St. Mary's University\*  
Syracuse University\*  
El Tecnológico de Monterrey (Mexico)  
Texas A&M University  
Texas A&M University – Corpus Christi  
Texas Tech University\*  
Trevecca Nazarene University\*  
Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Honduras  
Universidad Tecnológica de Centroamérica  
University of British Columbia (Canada)  
University of Central Florida  
University of Connecticut\*  
University of Florida\*  
University of Houston\*  
University of Iowa\*  
University of Massachusetts – Amherst  
University of Miami\*  
University of New Brunswick (Canada)\*  
University of New Hampshire  
University of North Carolina  
University of North Carolina – Charlotte  
University of North Carolina – Greensboro  
University of Pittsburgh – Greensboro  
Univ. of Prince Edward's Island (Canada)\*  
University of Southern California\*  
University of Southern Florida\*  
University of Southern Mississippi\*  
University of Tampa\*  
University of Texas – Dallas  
University of Valley Forge  
University of Virginia Wesleyan  
University Western Kentucky  
University Western University\*  
Worcester Polytechnic Institute\*  
Word of Life Bible Institute\*  
York University (Canada)\*

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