Chinese Immersion/IB For ALL

“IB for All” Philosophy: PVCICS provides ALL students with access to the International Baccalaureate (IB) Program without having to be preselected for admission. Therefore, ALL 11th and 12th grade students take all their coursework in the IB program. Students may earn IB Certificates in specific courses or complete the full IB Diploma Program. The requirements for the full IB Diploma Program are below:

- Enroll in 3 Higher Level (HL) and 3 Standard Level (SL) courses and achieve an overall score of 24 on a battery of 6 externally marked exams (out of 7 points each). Points are accumulated on a combination of examinations taken in May of senior year and coursework submitted for external marking.
- Complete Theory of Knowledge (TOK), the IB course in critical thinking.
- Complete a 4000-word extended essay on a topic of their choice.
- Complete activities in three strands: Creativity, Activity, and Service (CAS).

All High School students also take a double period of Chinese. All grade 9 and grade 10 core courses are comparable to HONORS level to prepare students for the rigors of the IB Program.

Class of 2022 IB Diploma Scores*
(Of possible 45 maximum score):
PVCICS Ave.: 32 Worldwide Ave: 31
IB DIPLOMA AWARDED per Class:
2022: 97% 2021: 92% 2020: 100%; 2019: 92%

IB Courses Offered 2022-2023

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<th>Course (By Group)</th>
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** IB Math Courses include calculus.
*All science courses are recognized as laboratory sciences.
-PVCICS Students take at most three HIGHER LEVEL (HL) AND THREE STANDARD LEVEL (SL) classes per year-
College Admission Testing: Class of 2023
SAT Combined (mean): 1248   ERW: 637   Math: 611

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
CLASS OF 2022: Commended Students: 3; Finalist: 2
CLASS OF 2022
College Bound: 97%

CLASS OF 2023
79% Awarded Seal of Biliteracy

GRADING
- **Grade Scale:** All term and final grades are reported as letter grades. To receive credit for a course, a student must earn at least a 60 percent (a “D-” or above).
- **Grade Point Average (GPA) & Class Rank:** The unweighted GPA is based on a 4.0 scale and includes core subjects only. No additional weight is given for any courses including IB courses. The GPA is computed at the end of each school year and does not take into account Pass/Fail courses or transfer grades.
- **PVCICS does not calculate class rank.**

Grading Scale: 4.0 UNWEIGHTED GPA

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**TRANSSCRIPT KEY:**

**GRADE LEVEL**  Current Grade (9,10,11,12) in School
**YEAR**         School Year
**COURSE**       Course Name
**GRADE**        Final Grade in Course
**CREDIT**       Credits Earned in Course
**CREDIT HOURS** Total Credits Earned to Date
**IB**           International Baccalaureate Course
**HL**           Higher Level IB Course
**SL**           Standard Level IB Course
**TOK**          Theory of Knowledge IB Course
**CAS**          Creativity, Activity, Service Requirement
**ATL**          Approaches to Learning Course
**P**            Pass (specials & elective courses)
**F**            Fail (specials & elective courses)
**GPA**          Grade Point Average (unweighted) from
                  Core Academic Courses Taken at PVCICS in each grade. It
does not include pass/fail courses (PE, Art, Music, electives) or
                  Transfer Grades from other schools.

**CUMULATIVE UNWEIGHTED GPA**

Unweighted Cumulative Grade Point Average is the average of all final course grades received in high school level courses.

**COVID-19:** During the 2020/2021 school year, students engaged in both hybrid and remote learning. Since the Pandemic started, PVCICS has been fully compliant with IB guidelines for IB courses and assignments.

**Clubs:**
- Art Club
- Asian Student Union (ASU)
- Black Student Union (BSU)
- Chess & Tabletop Games Club
- Environmental Club
- Esports Club
- Fashion & Design Club
- Film Club
- Genders & Sexualities Alliances (GSA)
- Math Club
- Mock Trial
- Model United Nations (MUN)
- Music Ensemble Club
- Newspaper PVCICS Gazette
- PVCICS Voice Bilingual Podcast
- Quill & Ink
- Role Playing Games (RPG) Club
- Service Club
- Student Council
- Students Against Sexual Harassment & Assault (SASHA)
- Theater Club

**Sports:**
- Basketball
- Cross Country
- Field Hockey
- Football
- Ice Hockey (girls)
- Running (Club Sport)
- Skate Club
- Skiing (Alpine)
- Soccer
- Tennis
- Ultimate Frisbee (Club Sport)
- Wrestling
College Acceptances Since 2017

Allegheny College
American International College
American University
Amherst College
Assumption University
Babson College
Bard College*
Barnard College
Bay Path University
Beloit College
Bentley University
Berklee College*
Boston College*
Boston University
Bowdoin College
Brandeis University
Bridge Water State University
Brown University
Bryant University
Bryn Mawr College
Bucknell University
Carleton College
Case Western Reserve University
Clark University
Connecticut College
Cornell University
CUNY City College
CUNY Hunter College
Curry College*
Dartmouth College
Dean College
DePaul University*
Dickinson College
Drake University
Drew University
Drexel University
Duke Kunshan University
Duke University
Eckerd College*
Elms College
Emerson College
Emmanuel College - Boston
Endicott College
Fairfield University
Fashion Institute of Technology
Fisher College
Fitchburg State University
Fordham University
Framingham State University
Franklin and Marshall College
George Washington University
Georgia Institute of Technology*
Greenfield Community College
Grinnell College
Harvard College
Hofstra University
Holyoke Community College
Howard University*
Indiana University-Bloomington
Ithaca College
Thomas Jefferson University
Johnson & Wales University*
Johns Hopkins University*
Keene State College
Lafayette College
Lasell University
Lewis & Clark College*
LIM College
Macalester College
Maine Maritime Academy*
Manhattan College
Marist College
Marymount Manhattan College
MCLA
Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (MCPHS)
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
McGill University
Middlebury College
Molloy College
Morehouse College
Mount Holyoke College
New England Institute of Technology
New York University*
Northeastern University
NYU Shanghai
Oberlin College*
Pace University-New York
Penn State University-Main Camp.*
Pomona College
Quinnipiac University
Reed College*
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rochester Institute of Technology
Roger Williams University*
Rutgers University-New Brunswick
Sacred Heart University
Salve Regina University
San Diego State University
Sarah Lawrence College
Savannah College of Art Design
Simmons University
Skidmore College
Smith College
Springfield College
Springfield Tech. Com. Coll.(STCC)*
St. John's University
SUNY New Paltz
SUNY Purchase College
Stevens Institute of Technology
Stonehill College
Suffolk University
Syracuse University*
Texas A&M – College Station
The University of Arizona
The University of Tampa
Trinity University
Tufts University
Union College
US Coast Guard Academy
US Military Academy West Point*
US Naval Academy*
University of Bradford
University of Bridgeport
University of California, Irvine
University of California, San Diego
University of Colorado Boulder
University of Connecticut*
University of Delaware
University of Denver
University of Hartford*
University of Maine
UMass Boston
UMass Dartmouth
UMass Amherst*
UMass Lowell
University of Miami
University of Minnesota-Twin Cities
UNH-Main Campus
University of New Haven
University of Rhode Island
University of Rochester
University of Toronto
University of Vermont*
University of Wisconsin-Madison*
Vassar College*
Vermont Technical College
Wellesley College
Wentworth Institute of Technology
Wesleyan University*
Western New England University
Westfield State University*
Wheaton College
Williams College
Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Worcester State University
Yale University*