

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN ACADEMY AT SHANNON FOREST

## **GRADES**

MIDDLE SCHOOL: 6th - 8th Grade HIGH SCHOOL: 9th - 12th Grade

## **ADMINISTRATION**

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**6TH - 8TH GRADE ·** Our Middle School Program provides a unique bridge from Elementary to High School while recognizing the growing needs of students in today's world. Middle School teachers are equipped to instruct and guide students in their development of executive functioning skills like organization and note-taking while teaching their disciplines in a manner that incorporates learning differentiation and cognitive development. These are grafted into classroom instruction in a way that does not overwhelm or overburden the student. The program is intentionally designed to educate students in these three very distinct grades.

**9TH - 12TH GRADE ·** First Presbyterian Academy's High School Program provides all students with high quality, College Preparatory, Honors and AP classes taught by experienced, degreed professionals while also addressing those students with learning differences on a case-by-case basis. Classes emphasize content, student engagement and the development of higher-ordered learning skills. Our High School is uniquely designed to produce students who think in the highest of categories but do so with the truth of a Christian worldview serving as the foundation for all of their education.

High School - 120

Middle School - 95

Average Class Size

#### GRADUATES IN THE CLASSES OF 2018-2023 HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED TO:

Clemson University (SC)

University of South Carolina (SC)

Anderson University (SC)

College of Charleston (SC)

Presbyterian College (SC)

Furman University (SC)

Wofford University (SC)

Samford University (AL)

University of Georgia (GA)

Charleston Southern University (SC)

Coastal Carolina University (SC)

Gardner-Webb University (NC)

North Greenville University (SC)

Lander University (SC)

High Point University (NC)

University of Alabama (AL)

University of Alabama Huntsville (AL)

University of Hawaii (HI)

University of Iowa (IA)

Winthrop University (SC)

University of Mississippi (MS)

University of Tennessee (TN)

Virginia Tech (VA)

Covenant College (GA)

Liberty University (VA)

The Citadel (SC)

Auburn University (AL)

University of Arizona (AZ)

Converse College (SC)

Erskine College (SC)

University of Virginia (VA)

Western Carolina University (NC)

Georgia State University (GA)

North Carolina State University (NC)

Ohio University (OH)

Berklee College of Music (MA)

University of Miami (FL)

Appalachian State University (NC)

Baylor University (TX)

Cleveland Institute of Art (OH)

Savannah College of Art and Design (GA)

University of North Florida (FL)

East Tennessee State University (TN)

Georgetown University (DC)

Wake Forest University (NC)

#### **GRADING SCALE** —

FPA utilizes the following <u>unweighted grading scale</u>:

Α	100-90	4.0		)	69-65	1.0
В	89-80	3.0	F	=	64-60	0.0
$\mathcal{C}$	79_70	2.0				

Grades below 65 will receive NO CREDIT.

#### **RANKING POLICY**

Students in 9th - 12th Grade will be ranked according to the South Carolina Uniform Grading Scale at the conclusion of each school year. The ranking is based on all academic classes at the end of each academic year. Class rank will be demonstrated on the official transcript of every student after graduation. Rank is not published for college admissions offices until the conclusion of the senior year on the final official transcript.

### **CLASS OF 2022 - 2023 GRADE DISTRIBUTION**

2022:	<b>4.00</b>   2	<b>3.5-3.9</b> 11	<b>3.0-3.49</b> 5	<b>&lt; 3.0  </b> 3	Requirements for	Requirements for
2023:	<b>4.00</b>   1	<b>3.5-3.9</b>   18	<b>3.0-3.49</b>   4	<b>&lt; 3.0  </b> 6	Graduation for Standard Diploma	Graduation with DISTINCTION

COLLEGE COUNSELING • A full-time College
Counselor works closely with students and their
families as they prepare for college through
strategic course scheduling, test preparation,
college visits, job shadowing and more. Upon
graduation, 100% of our students are accepted
to college and enter the next phase of life
prepared for academic success, grounded in
a biblical worldview and ready to impact the
world for Jesus Christ.

#### **CLUBS AND PROGRAMS**

- Discover Groups
- Key Club
- Student Ambassador Program
- Student Council
- Youth in Government
- National Honor Society
- National Junior Honor Society
- IMPACT Service Team
- Praise and Worship Team

	Standard Diploma	DISTINCTION	
English	4	5	
Mathematics	4	5	
Science	3	4	
United States History	1	1	
Government/Economics	1 (.5 of each)	1 (.5 of each)	
Other Social Studies	1	1	
Physical Education	1	1	
Computer Science	1	1	
Foreign Language	2	3	
Fine Arts Elective	1	1	
Additional Elective	2	2	
Bible	4	4	
TOTAL CREDITS	25	29	

**HONORS GRADUATE REQUIREMENTS** • In order to be recognized as an Honor Graduate, seniors must meet the following criteria prior to graduation:

- 3.5 Cumulative GPA
- No more than two final grades below 80 in any one academic year
- No final grade below a 75 on the high school transcript

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CLASS OF 2022 & 2023 SCORES (Average)

**2022: ACT** 25 | **SAT** 1110

**2023: ACT** 21 | **SAT** 1160