GRANDVIEW PREPARATORY SCHOOL

2022-2023

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MISSION

Grandview Preparatory School is a small, diverse community committed to the philosophy that education is a personal endeavor. Grandview pairs timeless ethics with modern thought, personal attention with global consciousness while preparing students for college and life beyond.

ACADEMIC PHILOSOPHY

Grandview provides a unique research-based educational program designed to engage each student in the active pursuit of knowledge. Strong personal relationships within the school community provide a foundation to nurture and cultivate knowledge, character and leadership. Our program offers small class sizes, an enriched curriculum focused on durable and transferable skills in areas of communication, critical thinking, collaboration, creativity, and character. Students are encouraged to achieve their personal goals for success and wellness in college, and life beyond.

Grandview Preparatory School graduates students who have developed an awareness of his or her role as a contributor to the greater good. The measure of this contribution centers on a continued realization of critical thinking skills, leadership skills, communication skills and a strong sense of purpose. Grandview strives to provide students a strong foundation to explore intellectually, see creatively and live compassionately.

ACCREDITATIONS

Cognia

The Southern Association of Independent Schools (SAIS) Florida Council of Independent Schools (FCIS)

SCHOOL & COMMUNITY

Grandview Preparatory School is an independent, college preparatory, coeducational day school located less than a mile from the ocean in Boca Raton, Florida. Boca Raton sits on the east coast of Florida between West Palm Beach and Fort Lauderdale. Founded in1997, Grandview is a vibrant community of learners enrolling students from early childhood (age 3) through grade 12. The academic program operates on a semester system with a 4.0 grading scale. Students experience a challenging, research-based curriculum centering on both intellectual and personal development. All graduating seniors are preparing for enrollment in colleges or universities.

Grandview students have received national recognition for community service efforts. Our athletic program emphasizes an inclusive policy, yet remains competitive in the community. Several varsity sports have received district, regional, and state recognition. Approximately 350 students are enrolled, with 30 seniors set to graduate in the spring of 2023. Additionally, Grandview recently partnered with Evert Tennis Academy to serve students at the Evert facility located in west Boca Raton. The Grandview at Evert program personalizes the academic journey by allowing students the flexibility and convenience to pursue their passion of tennis. The Evert location embodies the same academic philosophy and curriculum as the main campus.

The school community recognizes the importance of individual relationships between students, teachers, parents and other community leaders. Grandview's core values emphasize a quest for excellence and social responsibility. Together, Grandview students, parents, and community partners have shaped a culture with a foundation based on both modern thought and timeless ethics. Grandview has carved a unique educational niche in a competitive private school market.

ADVANCED COURSES

The Upper School course curriculum is designed to be challenging and college preparatory in nature. An experienced and diverse faculty contributes a wide range of cultural and educational components that help shape course offerings to include critical thinking and writing requirements. Innovation Program (IP) courses are research-based classes taught with a combination of face-to-face instruction, online learning, internships, and independent research. The IP courses, as well as AP courses taken online, and dual enrollment courses include a more challenging curriculum and more rigorous independent research than honors or traditional classes. This year, IP courses are available in English, Science, Art and Spanish. Honors designation can be earned by students in all classes through demonstration of deeper exploration, greater effort, and elevated product expectations. This approach ensures that the student produces the highest level of product consistently to earn Honors credit, not simply by placement in an Honors section. Dual enrollment agreements are active with the Florida Atlantic University, Lynn University, and Palm Beach State College.

INNOVATION

Students accepted into the Innovation Program (IP) engage in the most academically challenging courses available at GPS. IP classes offer a college-style seminar experience, which dives deeper into content and showcases authentic assessments. IP topics change each year but have included the following: Neuroscience, Field Biology, Engineering, Civil Rights in the US, Supreme Court Case Studies, Religion Consciousness and History, Art and the Human Experience, Statistics & Probability, Scientific Research Literacy, and Trauma/Suffering through Literature.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Grandview Preparatory School provides opportunities for each student to develop interests and skills in an extracurricular environment. A wide variety of opportunities are available in the field of technology, clubs, activities and honor societies. Opportunities include:

- Drama

- SADD

- Student Government

- Environmental Club

- National Honor Society

- Key Club
- Student Senate
- Dance
- Athletics
- Theater
- Kindness Matters 365 Robotics

ATHLETICS

Florida High School Athletic Association

DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of 24 credits are required for either the Honors Diploma or the Standard Diploma. To qualify for the Honors Diploma a student must graduate with an overall GPA of 3.0 or higher with the following distribution to include a minimum of 5 Honors, IP, or Dual Enrollment level courses: 4 credits of English, 4 credits of Mathematics, 4 credits of Science, 3 credits of History, .5 credits of U S. Government, .5 credits of Economics, 3 credits of Foreign Language, 1 credit of PE/Health, 1 credit of Fine Arts & 3 credits of Electives. To qualify for the Standard Diploma a student must graduate with the following distribution: 4 credits of English, 4 credits of Mathematics, 3 credits of Science, 3 credits of History, .5 credits of U S. Government, .5 credits of Economics, 2 credits of Foreign Language, 1 credit of PE/Health, 1 credit of Fine Arts & 5 credits of Electives. Grandview also offers a Core Diploma, primarily for student athletes who train extensively daily. To graduate the student must earn 18 credits with the following distribution: 4 credits of English, 4 credits of Mathematics, 3 credits of Science, 3 credits of History (including US Government and Economics), 1 credit in the Fine Arts, and 3 additional Elective credits.

DIPLOMA OPTIONS

Standard Diploma Core Diploma Honors Diploma

GRADING SCALE

93-100= 4.0	80-82 = 2.7	67-69 = 1.3
90-92= 3.7	77-79 = 2.3	65-66 = 1.0
87-89 = 3.3	73-76 = 2.0	60-64 = 0.7
83-86 = 3.0	70-72 = 1.7	

Academic grade point average is determined by calculating the average of all final grades, utilizing a 4.0 grade point average scale. Honors courses have a weight factor of +.5 applied, and Dual Enrollment, Innovation Program and Advanced Placement courses have a weight factor of +1.0 applied in determining grade point averages. All failing grades are reported. Class rank is not assigned, but valedictorian and salutatorian are recognized.

TEST SCORES

Mean SAT Reading & Writing: 638 Mean SAT Math: 604

WEIGHTED GPA RANGE

4.54 3.89 2.67

COVID IMPACT

The physical campus of the school closed at the end of the third quarter in March of the 19-20 school year. As a small school that has always used extensive technology, we quickly adapted to virtual learning. The core curriculum was unchanged, students were required to complete all course requirements virtually, and grades were awarded using our normal grading scale. Annual Academic Awards convocation and end-of-year awards were not given (including Book Awards, which we normally award). Please be aware that aside from Honor Roll and Dean's List, individual academic awards were not given to the high school students for the 19-20 school year. Throughout the 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 school years, courses were offered to students to attend physically, virtually, or asynchronously according to each family's personal decision. Technology infrastructures were updated over the summer to allow for these simultaneous options. The curriculum was not modified and grades were awarded per our regular grading scale. Electives and extracurricular offerings were limited. For the 2022-2023 academic year, we are continuing to offer our core curriculum and have returned to our more robust elective and lab structures. In-person and remote opportunities continue according to the CDC and other applicable guidelines.

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES

Agnes Scott College American Sc. of Dramatic Academy American University Amherst College Arizona State Ŭniv Auburn Univ Austin Peay State Univ Babson College Ball State Univ Bard College Barry University Barton College Bates College Baylor University Belmont Univ Belmont Abbey College **Bennington College** Bentley University Berry College Biola Univ Bluefield State College **Boston College** Boston Univ Bradley Univ Brandeis University **Broward College** California Polytechnic State Univ California State Univ Campbell Univ Catawba College Catholic Univ Charleston Southern U. Chowan College **Clemson Univ** Colby College College of Charleston College of William & Mary Cornell Univ Culver Stockton College Curry College DePaul Univ DePauw Univ Drew Univ Drexel Univ East Carolina Univ East Tennessee State U. Eckerd College Elon University

Emerson College Aeronautical Univ Embry Riddle Emory & Henry Coll. Emory University Fairfield Univ Fairleigh Dickinson U. Florida A&M Univ Florida Atlantic U. Florida Gulf Coast Univ Florida Institute of Technology Florida International Florida Polytechnic U. Florida Southern U. Florida State University Fordham Univ Franklin College Gardner Webb Univ Geneva College George Mason Univ. George Washington U. Georgetown Univ Georgia Institute of Technology Gonzaga University Goucher College Grambling State Univ Guilford College Hardin Simmons Univ High Point Univ Hofstra Univ Hollins Univ Indiana Univ Iona College Ithaca College Jacksonville University James Madison Univ John Cabot Johnson & Wales Univ Keiser University Kings College Knox College Lake Forest College La Salle Univ Lasell College Lenoir Rhyne College Lesley University Lipscomb Univ Longwood Univ Louisiana State Univ

Loyola Univ Lynn University Malloy College Marist College Marshall Univ McDaniel College Mercer College Merrimack College Miami Univ, Oxford Missouri Valley College Monmouth Univ Montana State Univ Muhlenberg College New College of Florida New York Univ North Carolina State U. Northeastern University Northern Arizona Univ Nova Southeastern Univ Oberlin College **Oglethorpe Univ** Ohio State University Old Dominion Univ Olin College of Engineering Palm Beach Atlantic U. Palm Beach State C. Pennsylvania State Univ Polytechnic Institute of NÝU Pratt Institute Princeton Univ **Oueens Univ** Radford University Reed College Rhode Island Univ Rhodes College **Rice University** Rider Univ Ringling School of Art & Design Roanoke College Rochester Institute of Technology Rollins College Rutgers Univ Salem Intl University Sam Houston State U. San Diego State Univ Santa Fe College St. Bonaventure Univ

St. Johns College Savannah College of Art & Design School of Visual Arts Seton Hall University Smith College Southeastern Univ Southern Methodist U. St. Leo Univ St. Marys Univ Stetson Univ Števenson Univ SUNY Morrisville Stockholm Sc. of Econ Stony Brook College Suffolk Univ Syracuse Univ Tennessee State Univ The New Sc, Parsons School of Design The University of Iowa Thiel College Towson University Transylvania Univ Trent University (CAN) Trinity College Tulane Univ U.S.Air Force Academy Univ of Alabama University of Arizona Univ of Central FL Univ of California Berkeley Univ of California Irvine Univ of California San Diego Univ of California Santa Barbara University of Central Florida Univ of Cincinnati Univ of Colorado Univ of Connecticut University of Delaware Univ of Denver University of Florida Univ of Hartford Univ of Georgia Univ of Hawaii Univ of Illinois Univ of Kansas

Univ of Kentucky Univ of Louisville Univ of Maine Univ of Maryland Univ of Massachusetts University of Miami Univ of Michigan Univ of Nevada Univ of New Hampshire Univ of New Mexico Univ of North Carolina Asheville Univ of North Carolina Wilmington Univ of North Colorado University of North Florida Univ of Notre Dame Univ of Oklahoma Univ of Rochester Univ of South Carolina Univ of South Florida Univ of Southern Maine Univ of Tampa Univ of Texas Univ of Toronto Univ of Vermont Univ of Virginia Univ. of Wisconsin Virginia Tech Univ Valencia College Vanderbilt University Wake Forest University Warren Wilson College Wellesley College Western Univ (CAN) West Virginia Univ Wheaton College Wheeling Univ Wheelock College Wichita State Univ Wingate University Webster University Winthrop University Wofford College Xavier University Yale University Yale NUS Singapore

Italics indicate the Class of 2022 matriculations.