



INSPIRATION ACADEMY

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2019/20 School Profile

CEEB CODE

102505

ADMINISTRATION

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OUR SCHOOL

Inspiration Academy is a private Christian school located in the suburban gulf coast community of Bradenton, Florida, 45 miles south of Tampa and minutes from downtown Sarasota. Opened in 2013, Inspiration Academy serves the needs of local, national and international students in grades 6-12, and offers a Post Graduate program. Inspiration Academy offers a host family boarding program for out-of-state and international student population.

OUR PHILOSOPHY

We are a community of believers called to follow Jesus individually and collectively. This requires faith. Faith in God transforms lives. Inspiration Academy is a transformational school that works from the inside out to produce winning habits of selfless, disciplined, authentic care for others. Our success is measured by transformational development of a student's mind, body and spirit. Grades and transcripts are just part of the peaceable fruit produced by a transformed life.

OUR MISSION

We cultivate, nourish and inspire students, using a mentorship model to develop an integrated life of faith from the inside out, in an environment of family, care and love.

OUR VISION

To provide an innovative educational community that inspires students to be creative sources of cultural change in the fields where they are called.

ACCREDITATION

Inspiration Academy is fully accredited by the following organizations:

- Accreditation International
- Association of Christian Teachers and Schools
- National Council for Private School Accreditation
- Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
- Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools

HONORS & DUAL ENROLLMENT

Inspiration Academy offers honors level coursework in core classes and also holds articulation agreements with Manatee Technical College, Southeastern University and State College of Florida Manatee/Sarasota to offer dual enrollment coursework in which students can simultaneously earn both high school and college/vocational credit. Students must meet school-specific criteria and be recommended by faculty and administration to qualify to take honors and dual enrollment level classes.



ACADEMIC & EXTRACURRICULAR HIGHLIGHTS

Mentorship

All students at Inspiration Academy participate in our unique mentorship program that is designed to connect students with faculty and staff in a way that encourages conversations about life, faith, and growth from the inside-out. We believe that mentorship and discipleship include three ingredients: information, imitation, and innovation. This program fosters character development through equipping students with Godly teachings to transform their lives through building of the mentor-mentee relationship.

Athletics

Inspiration Academy offers elite sports training and professional placement through its specialized Baseball, Tennis & Golf Academies as well as other sport options at the club level that allows for students of all ability levels to participate in a competitive environment. Our vision is to offer a setting that promotes a culture of community building and teaches the importance of sportsmanship.

Junior & Senior Seminar

The College & Career Counseling department at Inspiration Academy provides highly individualized junior and senior seminar courses that assist students with comprehensive college and career planning and preparation. Students also participate in various workshops that strengthens academic and personal life skills. Students explore different occupations through internships, career mentorships, mock interviews, and participate in different Q&A sessions with visiting colleges and scholarship foundations.

Other Clubs & Activities

Art	STEM	Basketball
Gaming Club	Student Government Association	Cheerleading
Drama	Worship Team	Flag Football
Marketing & Social Media	Yearbook	Golf
Mechanics & Repairs		Lacrosse
Missions		Soccer
National Honor Society		Softball
National Junior Honor Society		Track
Online Store Management		Volleyball

GRADING

Inspiration Academy calculates both a weighted and unweighted Grade Point Average (GPA). A student's GPA is calculated using all courses taken during the academic school year. The weighted GPA is calculated as follows: +1 for all AP, honors, and dual enrollment courses. Inspiration Academy does not rank its students to remain in alignment with its educational philosophy.

<u>Grading Scale</u>									
98-100	A+	88-89	B+	78-79	C+	68-69	D+	0-59	F
93-97	A	83-87	B	73-77	C	63-67	D		
90-92	A-	80-82	B-	70-72	C-	60-62	D-		

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

24 credits are needed:

Four(4) credits in English Language Arts
 Four(4) credits in Mathematics
 (Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II)
 Three(3) credits in Science
 (two with lab components required)

Three(3) credits in Social Science
 Two(2) credits in Foreign Language
 One(1) credit in Performing/Fine Arts
 One(1) credit in Physical Education / Health
 Six(6) credits for Electives



COMMUNITY SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

1 Peter 4:10 states:

"God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another."

Considering this conviction, Inspiration Academy has developed a Community Service program that seeks to recognize the need within the community (church) and then fill that need thereby serving one another. While serving one another within the "church" as Peter states, Inspiration Academy will seek to serve locally & globally. This approach seeks to instill in our students a recognition of the need both at home and abroad. Upon graduation, Inspiration Academy students will have served a minimum of 100 hours of community service. All service hours must be approved by the College Counselor.

STANDARDIZED TESTS

Inspiration Academy utilizes the MAP Testing Program for placement and ongoing individual assessment throughout the school year, as well as the PSAT for 8th-11th Graders.

Average Test Scores for the Class of 2019

SAT: 1160 (76th percentile) **ACT:** 25 (78th percentile)

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES 2014-2019

Argosy University	Johnson University	University of Alabama
Arizona State University	Keiser University	University of Central Florida
Auburn University	King's College	University of Colorado Boulder
Ave Maria University	Lake Region State College	University of Florida
Azusa Pacific University	Liberty University	University of Miami
Bayside College	Manatee Technical College	University of North Carolina – Asheville
Belmont University	Mary Baldwin University	University of South Florida
Campbell University	McGill University	University of South Florida— Sarasota-Manatee
Cincinnati Christian University	Mercer University	University of Tampa
Clemson University	Mercyhurst North East	Warner University
College of Central Florida	Miami Dade College	West Point – US Military Academy
Colorado State University	Michigan State University	
Concordia University	Missouri Baptist University	
Covenant College	New College of Florida	
Dallas Baptist University	New York University	
DeSales University	Nichols College	
Eckerd College	Nova Southeastern University	
Embry-Riddle University	Ohio University	
Erskine College	Palm Beach Atlantic University	
Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising (FIDM)	Pasco-Hernando State College	
Flagler College	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	
Florida Atlantic University	Seton Hall University	
Florida Gulf Coast University	Southeastern University	
Florida Southern College	St. Johns River State College	
Florida State University	State College of Florida, Manatee- Sarasota	
Gordon College	Stetson University	
Grand Canyon University	Southern Wesleyan University	
Hawaii Pacific University	The Citadel	
International Theological Seminar	Trinity Baptist College	
James Madison University	United States Naval Academy	