

先鋒中英雙語學校



Chinese Immersion IB For All

2019-2020 School Profile

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Mission Statement: The Pioneer Valley Chinese Immersion Charter School (PVCICS) prepares K-12th grade students for academic and personal success through rigorous study and instruction augmented with Chinese language and culture. PVCICS's goals are to graduate students with excellent scholarship, high proficiency in Mandarin Chinese and English, and sensitivity to all cultures.

PVCICS is committed to equal access and is an International Baccalaureate (IB) for all high school. All students in the 11th and 12th grade take all their courses in the IB Diploma Program.

About Us: Pioneer Valley Chinese Immersion Charter School (PVCICS) is a tuition-free regional public charter school located in Hadley, Massachusetts. It opened in the fall of 2007 and had its first graduating class in 2017. PVCICS draws students from 39 rural, suburban and urban communities in Hampden, Hampshire and Franklin counties. Students represent a diverse range of races, ethnicities and socio-economic backgrounds. Most students at PVCICS speak English as their mother tongue. PVCICS is a Title I targeted assistance school.

Enrollment: Entrance is by lottery. PVCICS total enrollment 2019-2020: 550 students in K-12 program. The high school is growing each year and is at 110 students.

IB for All: At PVCICS, the IB Diploma Program is the only curriculum offered in grades 11 and 12. All PVCICS students take IB courses. 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 three Higher Level (HL) and three Standard Level (SL) courses and achieve an overall score of 24 on a battery of six 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 grade 9 and grade 10 core courses are comparable to **HONORS** level to prepare students for the rigors of the IB Program.

College Acceptances Since 2017

Amherst College	Framingham State	Oberlin College of Arts & Sci.	University of CA, San Diego
American University	Greenfield Community	Pace University	University of Connecticut
Assumption College	Grinnell College	Pomona College	University of Hartford
Barnard College	Harvard University	Quinnipiac University	UMass Amherst
Beloit College	Holyoke Community	Rensselaer (RPI)	UMass Boston
Boston College	Hunter College of the CUNY	Rochester Inst. Tech	UMass Dartmouth
Boston University	Ithaca College	St. John's University	UMass Lowell
Bowdoin College	Johnson & Wales	Sarah Lawrence College	Univ. of MN, Twin Cities
Brandeis University	Lasell College	Savannah College of Art	URI- Chinese Flagship
Brown University	LIM College	Simmons University	University of Rochester
Bryant University	Macalester College	Skidmore College	University of Vermont
Bryn Mawr College	Manhattan College	Smith College	Vassar College
Carlton College	Marymount Manhattan	Springfield College	Vermont Technical Coll.
Case Western Reserve	MCLA	STCC	Wellesley College
Clark University	Mass. Institute of Technology	Stonehill College	Wentworth Institute
CUNY	McGill University	Suffolk University	Wesleyan University
Dartmouth College	MCPHS	Syracuse University	Western New England
Duke University	Morehouse College	The Art Inst. of Phila.	Westfield State University
Duke Kunshan	Mount Holyoke College	The George Washington Univ	Worcester Polytechnic Inst.
Elms College	New England Inst. Of Tech.	Tufts University	Worcester State
Emmanuel College	NYU	US Coast Guard Academy	Williams College
FIT	NYU Shanghai	US Naval Academy	Yale University
Fordham University	Northeastern University	University of Bridgeport	

Graduation Requirements:

All students who earn a PVCICS Diploma must meet the following course requirements.

(1 credit = 1 year of study):

English	4 Credits
Chinese	8 Credits
Social Science	4 Credits
Natural Science	4 Credits
Mathematics	4 Credits
The Arts	2 Credits
Electives	2 Credits
Minimum Graduation Requirements	28 Credits

*Graduation requirements exceed Massachusetts State requirements.

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM, CLASS OF

2019: Commended Students: 5; Semi-Finalists: 2; Finalist: 1

SAT Test Scores Class of 2020 (mean):

SAT Combined: 1202 SAT ERW: 622 SAT Math: 580

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 report rank in class except by percentile when requested by colleges, universities, and scholarship services as part of the application process.

Grading Scale:

Numerical Range	Letter Grade	International Baccalaureate (IB)	Value in Grade Point Average (GPA)
97-100	A+	7	4.3
93-96	A	7	4.0
90-92	A-	6	3.7
87-89	B+	5	3.3
83-86	B	5	3.0
80-82	B-	5	2.7
77-79	C+	4	2.3
73-76	C	4	2.0
70-72	C-	4	1.7
67-69	D+	3	1.3
63-66	D	3	1.0
60-62	D-	3	0.7
31-59	F	2	0.0
0-30	F	1	0.0

IB Courses Offered 2019-2020

Course (By Group) Level(s) Offered*

English Literature	HL/SL
English Language & Literature	HL/SL
Mandarin Chinese	HL/SL
History	HL/SL
Psychology	HL/SL
Business & Management	HL/SL
Biology	HL/SL
Chemistry	SL
Physics	HL/SL
Math	HL/SL
Math Studies	SL
*Math Applications & Interpretations	HL/SL
*Math Analysis & Approaches *(Class 2021+)	HL/SL
Music	SL
Theory of Knowledge	N/A

*PVCICS Students take at most three HL classes per year.

Class of 2019 IB Diploma Scores* (of possible 45 maximum score):

PVCICS Average: **36** Worldwide Average: 29.6

Transcript 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.
TRANSFER	"Transfer" is Listed Under "Course" When Course is Transferred from Another High School.