



PINEWOOD AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL  
THESSALONIKI, GREECE

## HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE 2024-2025

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### SCHOOL MISSION & BACKGROUND

Pinewood aims to offer students a progressive, personalized American international education centered on academic excellence in each student's journey towards self-actualization. This is achieved in a stimulating, multicultural learning environment that emphasizes service, respect for ethical values and awareness of local culture.



### OUR SCHOOL & COMMUNITY

Nestled in the vibrant city of Thessaloniki in northern Greece, Pinewood caters to a diverse international student body. Our school provides a nurturing environment for approximately 600 students from pre-kindergarten through grade 12.

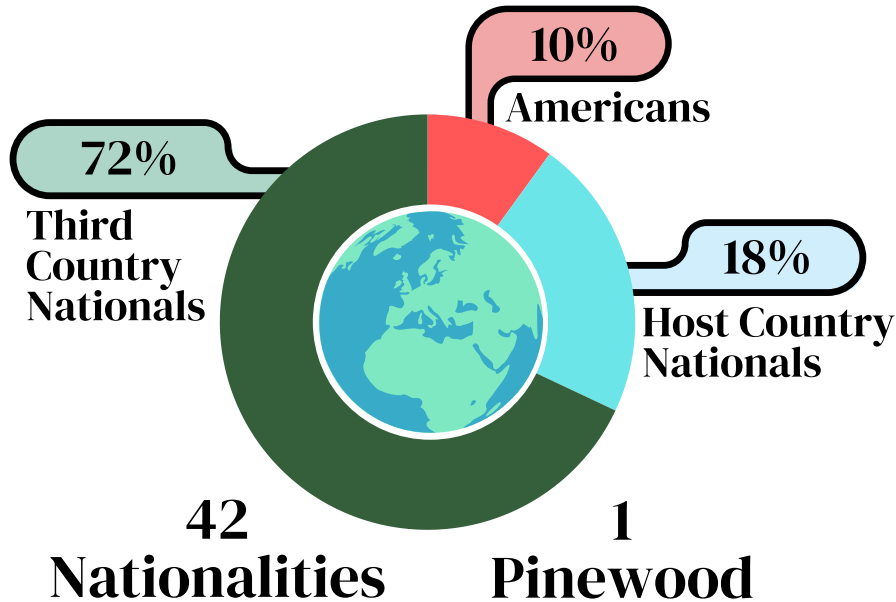
Pinewood offers a rigorous American curriculum, enriched by our commitment to fostering global citizenship and critical thinking skills. Our students have access to a variety of academic pathways, including Advanced Placement (AP) courses and the IB Diploma program, ensuring they are well-prepared for higher education abroad.

In line with our commitment to holistic education, Pinewood encourages all students to participate in community service initiatives, fostering empathy and social responsibility. Through these experiences, our students develop into well-rounded individuals equipped to contribute positively to society.

As an international school deeply rooted in the city's cultural and educational landscape, Pinewood is dedicated to preparing students for success in an interconnected world, blending academic excellence with global citizenship.

## PINEWOOD STUDENTS

Our student body reflects the essence of modern global citizenship, marked by its multilingual and multicultural diversity. Students are encouraged to engage in globally-focused curricula that foster an understanding of diverse cultures and viewpoints. They graduate as compassionate leaders, ready to make meaningful contributions in a complex, interconnected world.



Class of 2025

**44**  
Seniors

**200**

High School Students

**5:1**

Student Teacher  
Ratio

An Average of

**18**  
Students

Per Class

## OUR CURRICULUM

### *Advanced Placement® Curriculum*

Pinewood offers a rigorous AP Curriculum, including the Capstone Diploma, designed to challenge and prepare students for college-level academics. 50% of our students scored a 4 or 5 in their 2023-24 exams, and 67% reached a passing score. Our dedicated AP teachers provide personalized support to ensure each student's success, helping them excel in both exams and coursework.

### *IB Diploma Program*

Our school offers a comprehensive IB Curriculum that nurtures well-rounded, globally-minded students prepared for the challenges of higher education and beyond. One out of four of our students earned 35 to 39 in their 2023-24 exams. Our skilled IB educators guide students through a challenging and rewarding academic journey, fostering both personal and academic growth.

## AP Exams

The 2023-2024 school year was the pilot year for AP courses at Pinewood High School, starting with 2 AP courses.

Following a successful year with increasing student interest, Pinewood added 10 AP courses for the 2024-2025 school year.



A Total of

**12 AP**  
**Courses**

AP Exams Taken

2023-2024

**24**

2024-2025  
Estimated

**177**

## COURSE OFFERINGS & REQUIREMENTS

	Courses	AP Offerings	IBDP Offerings
<b>English</b> 4 credits required	English Language and Literature 9 English 10: AP Seminar American Literature and Culture World Literature and Texts	AP English Language & Composition AP English Literature & Composition AP Research (*2025-26)	The DP is a 2-year program of study, joint with Anatolia college. The extensive list of course offerings can be found <a href="#">HERE</a> .
<b>Social Studies</b> 4 credits required	World History 9 World History 10 IB Business Greek History 9-12	AP Human Geography AP World History Modern AP Art History AP Microeconomics (*2025-26)	
<b>Math</b> 3 credits required	Mathematics 9 Mathematics 10 Math Applications Math Systems	AP Precalculus AP Computer Science Principles AP Calculus AB (Exam Only) AP Calculus BC (Exam Only) AP Statistics (*2025-26) AP Computer Science A (*2025-26)	
<b>Science</b> 3 credits required	Biology Chemistry Big History Integrated Science	AP Psychology	
<b>World Languages</b> 2 credits required	Spanish, Phases 3-4 French, Phases 3-4 Greek International, Phases 3-4 Greek Native IB German ab initio	AP French Language (Exam Only) AP Spanish Language (*2025-26)	
<b>Electives</b> 5 credits required	Internet of Things Entrepreneurship Business Math Political Science Fashion Design Dance Global Online Academy*	AP Drawing AP 2-D Art (*2025-26) AP 3-D Art (*2025-26)	
<b>Physical Education</b> 1 credit required	Physical Education & Health 9 Physical Education & Health 10		

\* Pinewood is a proud member of the Global Online Academy (GOA), a not-for-profit consortium of 140+ international, independent, public, and charter schools from around the world. Pinewood students in Grades 11 and 12 can attend one course per semester, during regular school hours, with each course granting them 0.5 credits. Courses can be found [HERE](#).



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### Additional Graduation Requirements

- All Advanced Placement (AP) courses include the appropriate College Board examinations.
- All AP students are expected to participate in the AP with WE Service program in at least one course.

## GPA Scale

Letter Grade	Percentages	Points	AP Points	IB Grade	IB SL Points
A+	100	4.0	5.0	7	4.5
A	95	3.8	4.5	6	4.0
B	89	3.0	4.0	5	3.5
C	79	2.0	3.0	4	2.5
D	69	1.0	2.0	3	1.5
F	59	0	0	1-2	0

## EXTRACURRICULAR OFFERINGS

Pinewood offers a rich and varied program of after-school and weekend activities. Following are descriptions of the most popular activities. A full list of our after school clubs can be found [HERE](#).

Rhetoric	Sports, Science, and Math	Performing Arts
<p><i>Model United Nations (MUN):</i> Our school boasts an award-winning Model United Nations (MUN) club, where students engage in simulated diplomatic discussions and hone their debate, negotiation, and public speaking skills.</p> <p><i>Forensics:</i> This Club is a vibrant community where students explore the art of public speaking, debate, and interpretation. It provides a supportive environment for students to express themselves confidently, engage in intellectual challenges, and grow as effective communicators.</p> <p><i>Journalism:</i> The Journalism Club empowers students to explore the world of media, storytelling, and investigative reporting. Through the creation of school publications, multimedia projects, and news reporting, students develop strong communication skills.</p>	<p><i>Sports:</i> Our Sports Program is a cornerstone of student life, offering a wide range of athletic opportunities that promote physical fitness, teamwork, and school spirit. Students can participate in soccer, basketball, and volleyball. All teams participate in a number of national tournaments and invitationals each year. Our athletics program encourages students to strive for excellence, build resilience, and develop a lifelong commitment to health and wellness.</p> <p><i>Science:</i> Pinewood boasts medals in science competitions, locally and internationally. Our Science clubs challenge students to apply their knowledge of natural sciences in innovative ways, fostering a deep appreciation for the environment and ecological stewardship.</p>	<p><i>Visual Arts:</i> Our Visual Arts Club provides a creative outlet for students after school, where they can explore their artistic talents in a relaxed and supportive environment. Whether interested in painting, drawing, sculpture, or digital art, students have the opportunity to experiment with different mediums and techniques.</p> <p><i>Dance:</i> Our Dance Club offers students an energetic and expressive after-school environment to explore various dance styles, from contemporary and hip-hop to classical and cultural dances. Open to dancers of all skill levels, the club encourages creativity, coordination, and physical fitness.</p>

## COLLEGE MATRICULATION

Over the last five years, our graduates have been accepted to a wide range of best fit colleges and universities around the world. See full list [HERE](#).