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***Pingree School empowers every community member to pursue knowledge with courage and imagination, thrive in joy and challenge, and create a more just and equitable world.***

*Founded in 1960, Pingree School is an independent day school for grades 9–12 located 20 miles north of Boston. Pingree currently draws its 395 students from more than 50 communities across Massachusetts and Southern New Hampshire. Ninety-nine percent of our graduates go on to attend four-year colleges or universities.*

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

**ENGLISH:** 4 years to include one year of American Literature, APEX American Cultural Studies, or an approved equivalent

**HISTORY:** 3 years to include World History, Ideologies and the Creation of the Modern World, and U.S. History or APEX American Cultural Studies

**SCIENCE:** 3 years to include Biology, Chemistry, and Physics

**MATH:** 3 years through Math 3

**FOREIGN LANGUAGE:** 3 consecutive years in one language

**ART:** 2 years, to include courses in visual and performing arts

**COMMUNITY EDUCATION:** All ninth graders and transfer students take Community Education, a half-credit course that focuses on adolescent development, identity and equity, and wellness

## COURSE LOAD

Students must be enrolled in a minimum of 5.5 credits and a maximum of 6.5 credits every trimester. Students may take a maximum of three APEX courses in one year and a maximum of four APEX and honors courses combined. APEX courses are available only to juniors and seniors. Students must apply and be approved by the department and a faculty committee to take each APEX course.

## ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Pingree uses a trimester calendar. The school will submit final trimester one grades for seniors on the Tuesday before Thanksgiving, and those grades should be considered Pingree's midyear report. Final trimester two grades will not be ready until the end of March. Final transcripts will be sent at the end of June.

## ADVANCED PINGREE EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES (APEX)

Beginning with the class of 2025, Pingree no longer offered Advanced Placement courses. Instead, Pingree offers Advanced Pingree Educational Experiences (APEX) as pinnacle courses in every discipline. APEX courses are developed by the Pingree faculty and overseen by a director and faculty committee in order to ensure consistent standards and rigor. These courses give students the opportunity to produce student-driven research; to connect scholarship to civic engagement; and to make cross-curricular connections. APEX courses are taught at a level that matches or exceeds the challenge of AP coursework.

## APEX COURSES

|                                                  |                                                                         |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| APEX American Cultural Studies                   | APEX Environmental Science: Sustainability in the Face of Global Change |
| APEX Art History: Navigating Canons and Cultures | APEX French: The Global Reach of French-language Culture and Identity   |
| APEX Biology: A Scientific Exploration of Life   | APEX History: Historiography of the Holocaust                           |
| APEX Calculus: A World in Flux                   | APEX Music Ensemble                                                     |
| APEX Chemistry: Green Organic Chemistry          | APEX Physics                                                            |
| APEX Chinese                                     | APEX Spanish: Art and Social Change in Spanish-Speaking Communities     |
| APEX Computer Science: Coding and Society        | APEX Statistics: The Power of Data                                      |
| APEX Creative Writing                            | APEX Studio Art: Changemaking                                           |
| APEX Engineering: The Just Energy Transition     |                                                                         |
| APEX English: Literature of Incarceration        |                                                                         |

## HONORS COURSES

|                |                |
|----------------|----------------|
| Chemistry      | Physics        |
| Dance Ensemble | Pre-Calculus   |
| French III/IV  | Spanish III/IV |
| Math 3         | U.S. History   |

### SELECT SIGNATURE COURSES

#### APEX American Cultural Studies

A year-long double credit junior course taught jointly by the History and English Departments. The course meets during two class periods and offers full credit in both English and History. Students receive one grade.

#### H Block Electives

H Blocks are half-credit electives that allow students to pursue diverse interests and take intellectual risks. All H Block electives are pass/fail. Pingree offers over 55 H-Block electives every year across a range of disciplines.

#### FINAL EXAMS AND CAPSTONE PROJECTS

Pingree students take cumulative final exams at the end of the second trimester. During the final two weeks of the school year, students in grades 9–11 engage in capstone projects on campus, summative experiences enabling students to apply their learning in new and creative ways. During those weeks, seniors pursue independent capstone projects off campus, engaging in a variety of different experiences, including internships, job shadowing, and community service.

#### SAT/ACT SCORES

In the class of 2025, 50 students took the SAT. The average scores are below. The number of students who took the ACT in the class of 2025 was too low to include average ACT scores here. Please note that standardized testing (SSAT/ISEE) is optional in Pingree's own admissions process. In addition, test-optional policies at colleges affect Pingree's average scores.

- EBRW: 650
- Math: 630
- Total: 1280

### GRADING SYSTEM

|           |          |          |          |      |
|-----------|----------|----------|----------|------|
| A+ 97–100 | B+ 87–89 | C+ 77–79 | D+ 67–69 | F<60 |
| A 93–96   | B 83–86  | C 73–76  | D 63–66  |      |
| A- 90–92  | B- 80–82 | C- 70–72 | D- 60–62 |      |

*Pingree does not report students' GPAs on their transcripts.*

### HONOR ROLL

Honor roll is calculated by trimester using weighted GPAs. (+5 points for APEX and honors classes). Students in the top decile of each class earn high honors. Students in the second decile of each class earn honors. Students in the third decile of each class are placed on the Head of School's List.

*Honor roll designations are not awarded in ninth grade.*

### DEPARTMENTAL DISTINCTION

Each year, Pingree recognizes outstanding academic achievement with departmental distinction. Departmental distinctions are "awarded to students in each department for their unflagging curiosity and passion for the subject, positive attitude, outstanding work ethic, and exceptional achievement in the specific discipline."

### DISCIPLINE REPORTING

Students and counselors will report an applicant's discipline history to colleges that request such information.

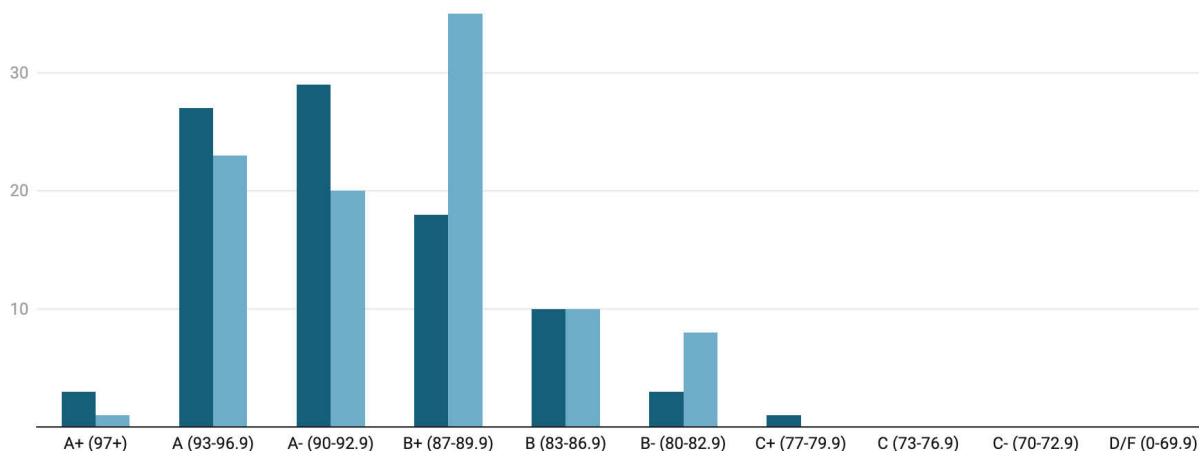
### RANK IN CLASS

Pingree does not report class rank to colleges. Please see the Weighted GPA Distribution and Class of 2026 Grade Distribution.

### WEIGHTED GPA DISTRIBUTION

■ Class of 2025\* (91) ■ Class of 2026 (97)

*\*Class of 2025 GPAs include senior-year grades*



### CLASS OF 2026 GRADE DISTRIBUTION: JUNIOR COURSES\*

\* Most math and language classes are mixed (include non-juniors).

| COURSE                                        | A+ | A  | A- | B+ | B  | B- | C+ | C | C- | D's/F |
|-----------------------------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|---|----|-------|
| AMERICAN LITERATURE                           | 0  | 1  | 22 | 28 | 21 | 10 | 2  | 3 | 0  | 0     |
| APEX AMERICAN CULTURAL STUDIES                | 0  | 1  | 4  | 4  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0     |
| APEX HISTORY: HISTORIOGRAPHY OF THE HOLOCAUST | 0  | 2  | 5  | 4  | 5  | 1  | 1  | 0 | 0  | 0     |
| HONORS U.S. HISTORY                           | 0  | 0  | 10 | 5  | 0  | 0  | 1  | 0 | 0  | 0     |
| U.S. HISTORY                                  | 0  | 1  | 20 | 24 | 13 | 6  | 0  | 0 | 1  | 0     |
| HISTORY SEMINARS                              | 0  | 23 | 46 | 55 | 31 | 9  | 2  | 0 | 1  | 0     |
| SPANISH 1-3                                   | 2  | 36 | 46 | 36 | 45 | 18 | 12 | 5 | 3  | 1     |
| HONORS SPANISH 3-4                            | 0  | 6  | 5  | 7  | 9  | 2  | 0  | 1 | 0  | 0     |
| SPANISH SEMINARS                              | 8  | 20 | 22 | 27 | 12 | 1  | 1  | 0 | 0  | 0     |
| APEX SPANISH                                  | 0  | 3  | 3  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0     |
| CHINESE 1-4                                   | 1  | 2  | 8  | 12 | 7  | 1  | 1  | 0 | 0  | 0     |
| FRENCH 2-3                                    | 0  | 1  | 5  | 5  | 6  | 2  | 3  | 1 | 1  | 0     |
| HONORS FRENCH 3-4                             | 0  | 1  | 5  | 1  | 3  | 1  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0     |
| FRENCH SEMINARS                               | 0  | 4  | 3  | 7  | 3  | 1  | 2  | 0 | 2  | 0     |
| MATH 3                                        | 1  | 2  | 12 | 15 | 20 | 9  | 2  | 1 | 3  | 1     |
| HONORS MATH 3                                 | 0  | 2  | 6  | 8  | 9  | 4  | 0  | 1 | 0  | 0     |
| PRECALCULUS                                   | 5  | 23 | 29 | 16 | 20 | 11 | 3  | 4 | 1  | 0     |
| HONORS PRECALCULUS                            | 0  | 18 | 25 | 21 | 12 | 4  | 1  | 2 | 0  | 0     |
| CALCULUS                                      | 1  | 13 | 12 | 5  | 4  | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0     |
| APEX CALCULUS                                 | 1  | 6  | 12 | 4  | 2  | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0     |
| STATISTICS/RISK & REWARD                      | 0  | 2  | 12 | 12 | 8  | 4  | 2  | 2 | 0  | 0     |
| APEX STATISTICS                               | 0  | 0  | 3  | 5  | 4  | 1  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0     |
| COMPUTER SCIENCE                              | 3  | 4  | 3  | 2  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0     |
| PHYSICS                                       | 0  | 15 | 28 | 8  | 4  | 2  | 1  | 0 | 1  | 0     |
| HONORS PHYSICS                                | 0  | 20 | 9  | 1  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0     |
| APEX CHEMISTRY                                | 1  | 3  | 6  | 3  | 0  | 1  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0     |
| APEX ENGINEERING                              | 0  | 0  | 4  | 7  | 2  | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0     |
| APEX ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE                    | 0  | 5  | 14 | 3  | 4  | 1  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0     |
| SCIENCE ELECTIVES                             | 8  | 46 | 40 | 17 | 17 | 3  | 3  | 1 | 0  | 0     |
| APEX MUSIC ENSEMBLE                           | 0  | 7  | 4  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0     |
| APEX STUDIO ART                               | 0  | 4  | 7  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0     |

### COLLEGE ACCEPTS FOR 2025 AND COLLEGES ATTENDED 2021–2025

(College, number attending)

The Class of 2025 was admitted to more than 150 different colleges and chose to attend 61 different colleges.

|                                   |                                     |                                       |                                         |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| American University 4             | Fordham University 8                | Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute 1    | University of Kentucky                  |
| Assumption University             | Franklin & Marshall College 2       | Roanoke College 2                     | University of Maryland                  |
| Auburn University                 | George Washington University 3      | Rochester Institute of Technology     | (Baltimore County) 1                    |
| Babson College 7                  | Georgetown University 2             | Roger Williams University             | University of Maryland                  |
| Barnard College 1                 | Gettysburg College 1                | Rutgers University                    | (College Park)                          |
| Bates College 10                  | Goucher College                     | Sacred Heart University 1             | University of Massachusetts             |
| Belmont University 1              | Hamilton College 3                  | Saint Anselm College 3                | (Amherst) 6                             |
| Bentley University 2              | Hartwick College 1                  | Saint Joseph's University 1           | University of Massachusetts (Boston)    |
| Boston College 18                 | Harvard University 2                | Saint Louis University, Madrid        | University of Massachusetts (Lowell) 4  |
| Boston University 10              | High Point University 1             | Saint Michael's College 1             | University of Miami 9                   |
| Bowdoin College 3                 | Hobart and William Smith Colleges 3 | Salem State University                | University of Michigan 3                |
| Brandeis University 2             | Indiana University (Bloomington) 3  | Salisbury University 1                | University of Minnesota                 |
| Bridgewater State University      | Ithaca College                      | Salve Regina University               | (Twin Cities) 1                         |
| Brown University 2                | James Madison University            | San Diego State University            | University of Mississippi 1             |
| Bryant University 1               | Kennesaw State University 1         | Santa Clara University 2              | University of New England 1             |
| Bucknell University 3             | Lafayette College 3                 | Savannah College of Art and Design 1  | University of New Hampshire             |
| California Polytechnic State      | Lehigh University 4                 | Scripps College 1                     | (Main Campus) 2                         |
| University (San Luis Obispo) 1    | Lesley University                   | Seton Hall University                 | University of North Carolina            |
| Carleton College 1                | Louisiana State University          | Simmons University 1                  | Wilmington 2                            |
| Carnegie Mellon University 1      | Loyola Marymount University 2       | Skidmore College 8                    | University of North Georgia 1           |
| Case Western Reserve University 3 | Marist University 1                 | Southern Methodist University         | University of Notre Dame 5              |
| Catholic University of America    | Marymount Manhattan College         | St. John's University                 | University of Oregon                    |
| Central Michigan University       | Massachusetts College of Art and    | St. Lawrence University 8             | University of Pennsylvania 1            |
| Chapman University 2              | Design 1                            | Stonehill College 3                   | University of Pittsburgh (Pittsburgh) 2 |
| Clark University 3                | Massachusetts Institute of          | Suffolk University 3                  | University of Rhode Island 1            |
| Clarkson University 1             | Technology 2                        | Syracuse University 9                 | University of Richmond                  |
| Clemson University 1              | McGill University 1                 | Temple University                     | University of Rochester 4               |
| Coastal Carolina University       | Merrimack College 1                 | Toronto Metropolitan University 1     | University of San Diego                 |
| Colby College 18                  | Miami University (OH) 3             | Trinity College 9                     | University of San Francisco             |
| Colby-Sawyer College 2            | Michigan State University           | Tufts University 6                    | University of South Carolina            |
| Colgate University 6              | Middlebury College 6                | Tulane University 4                   | University of St Andrews 2              |
| College of Charleston 1           | Mount Holyoke College 1             | Union College 7                       | University of Tampa 3                   |
| College of the Holy Cross 8       | Nazareth University 1               | University of Alabama                 | University of Tennessee (Knoxville)     |
| Colorado College 3                | New York University 5               | University of Arizona                 | University of Vermont 13                |
| Colorado State University         | Nichols College 2                   | University of Arkansas                | University of Virginia (Main Campus) 2  |
| (Fort Collins) 2                  | North Carolina State University     | University of California (Berkeley) 2 | University of Washington 1              |
| Connecticut College 3             | Northeastern University 9           | University of California (Davis)      | University of Wisconsin 2               |
| Cornell University 2              | Northwestern University 1           | University of California (Irvine) 1   | Vanderbilt University 2                 |
| Dartmouth College 2               | Nova Southeastern University        | University of California (San Diego)  | Vassar College 2                        |
| Denison University 4              | Occidental College 1                | University of California              | Villanova University 8                  |
| Dickinson College 10              | Otis College of Art & Design 1      | (Santa Barbara) 1                     | Virginia Tech University                |
| Drexel University 1               | Pace University (New York City) 1   | University of California              | Wake Forest University 7                |
| Eckerd College 1                  | Penn State University               | (Santa Cruz) 1                        | Wellesley College 1                     |
| Elon University 9                 | (University Park) 1                 | University of Colorado Boulder 8      | Wentworth Institute of Technology 2     |
| Emerson College 2                 | Pitzer College 1                    | University of Connecticut 3           | Westfield State University              |
| Emmanuel College 1                | Pratt Institute 1                   | University of Delaware 2              | Wesleyan University 2                   |
| Emory University 1                | Princeton University 2              | University of Denver 5                | Wheaton College (MA) 3                  |
| Endicott College 5                | Providence College 14               | University of Florida                 | Williams College 1                      |
| Fairfield University 9            | Queens University of Charlotte 1    | University of Georgia 1               | Worcester Polytechnic Institute 6       |
| Florida Atlantic University 1     | Quinnipiac University               | University of Hartford                | Worcester State University              |
| Florida Gulf Coast University 1   | Reed College 1                      | University of Illinois Urbana-        |                                         |
| Florida Southern College          | Regis College                       | Champaign 2                           |                                         |