



# Academia del Perpetuo Socorro

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# School profile

## SCHOOL YEAR 2021 - 2022

### Character

*Academia del Perpetuo Socorro is a parochial, coeducational college-preparatory school (PPK- 12), founded in 1921, located in the urban area of metropolitan San Juan, Puerto Rico. 100% of graduates attend four-year colleges. The first language of students is Spanish, with both Spanish and English taught as a first language in all grades.*

Our vision is to offer a holistic education based on the person of Jesus Christ.

### Enrollment

**Academic Year 2021-2022:  
PPK to 12th is 735 students.**

Admission is selective, based on previous academic background, entrance test, personal interview, and writing sample. Preference is given to offspring of registered parishioners and alumni.

### School Administration

**Monsignor José E. Cummings**

Director

**Francisco Vélez**

Director of Academic and Student Affairs

**Enid Pereira**, Principal, grades 10-12

**Luis Sánchez**, Principal, grades 7-9

**José M. Leavitt**,

Senior Vice-Principal

### Memberships and Accreditations:

- Superintendencia de Escuelas Católicas de San Juan
- The College Board
- National Association of Independent Schools
- National Catholic Education Association
- National Association of College Admissions Counselors
- National Association of Secondary School Principals
- National Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development
- Caribbean Counselors Association
- Asociación de Escuelas Privadas de Puerto Rico
- Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools
- AdvanceEd/Cognia
- CADIE (Comisión Acreditadora de Instituciones Educativas)
- General Council of Education of Puerto Rico

### Guidance Department

#### College Advisor:

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#### Guidance Counselor

##### Class of 2022,2023 & 2024

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#### Guidance Advisor

##### Class of 2025,2026 & 2027

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#### Registrar

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**Faculty:** There are 125 members from PPK to 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Class size** varies from a minimum of 2 students to a maximum of 22.

**Ranking:** We do not rank our students for college admissions purposes.

For **Class of 2022 GPA distribution**, please refer to **Profile for Class of 2022** at end of this document.

**Grading System:** Our grading system is based on a standard 4.00 system. Designations: **AP** (Advanced Placement, **H** (Honors), **R** (College-Preparatory)

Honor points awarded to: **H** courses: +.5; **AP** courses: +1.00.

Alpha Grade	Regular	Honors	AP
A (90-100)	4	4.5	5
B (80-89)	3	3.5	4
C (70-79)	2	2.5	3
D (69-65)	1	1.5	2



# School Profile and Report to Colleges and Universities

2021-2022

100% of our student body is college-bound. GPA is cumulative for all semesters in grades 9-12. Grades in all courses, except Physical Education, are included in computation.

### Curriculum

All students pursue a rigorous college- preparatory curriculum requiring a **minimum** of:

Religion (9-12)	4 credits
Spanish (9-12)	4 credits
English (9-12)	4 credits
Math	4 credits
(Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, Pre-Calculus/College Algebra)	
History	4 credits
(World History I, II, US History, History of Puerto Rico)	
Lab Science	4 credits
(Physical Science, Conceptual Physics, Biology, Chemistry)	
Electives	3 credits
Physical Education	1 credit
Health	.5 credit

Total credits required for graduation is 28.5.

### Required courses – Senior Year:

English 12 (English Literature)	Spanish 12 (Literature)
Christian Anthropology	History of Puerto Rico
Electives (3)	

### Clubs and Organizations

*(COVID-19 restrictions have forced APS to reduce the number of clubs available. There are usually 43 clubs.)*

There are 21 organized clubs, providing a wide array of options including art, service, United Nations model, 3 student publications, and a Student Council, among others. Qualified students are selected as National Honor Society and Honor Academy members.

### Testing for College Admissions

Students are encouraged to take the following tests:

- PSAT
- SAT Reasoning Test or ACT
- PAA (College Board of Puerto Rico)
- TOEFL, as required

**Students enrolled in AP courses are required to take AP exams;** enrollment in AP courses requires faculty recommendation.

**Students enrolled in Honors courses are encouraged to take Advanced Level exams** administered by the **College Board of Puerto Rico** in April.

### College Acceptances

100% of members of the graduating class of 2021 were admitted to 4-year institutions; some institutions admitting our students ***in the past five years*** are: \*indicates enrollment

American University*	Marquette University*
American University of Paris*	Massachusetts Institute of Technology*
Arts University of Bournemouth – England*	The New School*
Amherst University	New York University*
Arizona State University	Northeastern University*
Baylor University*	Northern Arizona University*
Bentley University*	Ohio University
Berry College*	Ohio State University*
Boston College*	Paris College of Art – France
Boston University*	Pennsylvania State University*
Brown University*	Pratt Institute
Bryant University	Providence College
Carnegie Mellon University	Purdue University*
Case Western Reserve University*	Savannah College of Art & Design*
Catholic University*	Rice University
Clark University	Stanford University*
Colgate University*	Swarthmore University
College of the Holy Cross	Syracuse University*
Columbia College of Chicago*	Tufts University
Columbia University*	Universidad de Puerto Rico, Mayagüez*
Cornell University*	Universidad de Puerto Rico, Río Piedras*
Dartmouth College	Universidad del Sagrado Corazón*
DePaul University	Universidad Interamericana*
Drexel University*	Universidad Politécnica*
Duquesne University*	Universidad de Navarra*
Duke University	University of Chicago*
Emory University*	University of Connecticut*
Escola de Cinema – Barcelona, Spain	University of Dayton*
Fairfield University	University of Florida
Florida Institute of Technology	University of Massachusetts-Amherst*
Florida International University*	University of Miami
Fordham University*	University of Michigan*
Full Sail University*	University of North Florida*
The George Washington University*	University of Notre Dame*
Georgetown University*	University of Pennsylvania*
Georgia Institute of Technology	University of Pittsburgh*
Harvard University*	University of San Diego*
Haverford College*	University of Tampa*
Iowa State University*	Vanderbilt University
Johns Hopkins University*	Villanova University*
Johnson and Wales University*	Wake Forest University
Louisiana State University*	Washington University-Saint Louis
Loyola University-Chicago*	Wheaton College*
Loyola University-Maryland*	Williams College
Loyola University-New Orleans*	Wellesley College*
Marbella Design Academy – Spain*	Xavier University
	Yale University

### Awards and Recognitions Class of 2021

<b>U.S. Presidential Scholars Candidate</b>	3
<b>A.P. Scholar with Distinction</b>	1
<b>A.P. Scholar with Honor</b>	1
<b>A.P. Scholar</b>	1
<b>Premio a la Excelencia Académica Rafael Carrión Jr.</b>	1



# School Profile and Report to Colleges and Universities 2021-2022

## Profile of the Class of 2022

<b>Total Enrollment:</b> 65	Community service hours required:	<b>50 hrs.</b>	<b>Average GPA:</b> 3.58
	(Most students exceed this total)		

## Enrollment in AP<sup>1</sup>, Honors and Elective Courses 2021-2022-Class of 2022

### AP Courses

AP Biology  
 AP Calculus AB  
 AP Calculus BC  
 AP Chemistry  
 AP Computer Science Principle  
 AP English Language and Composition  
 AP English Literature and Composition  
 AP French Language and Culture  
 AP Italian Language and Culture  
 AP Human Geography  
 AP Psychology  
 AP Spanish Literature and Culture  
 AP US Government & Politics  
 AP World History-Modern

### Honors/Advanced Level Course

H Calculus  
 H English Literature

### Electives at Honors Level

H Biology II  
 H Business and Personal Finance  
 H Public Health II(with internship)

### Electives in Languages\*

French AP  
 Italian AP  
*\* Please note:  
 Spanish is first language of students; both Spanish and English are required of all students and are thus **not** considered under the Department of Foreign Languages*

### Electives in Business

Entrepreneurship  
 Marketing

### Other Math Offerings:

College Algebra/Trigonometry  
 Pre-Calculus  
 Calculus

### Other Electives:

Advanced Drawing  
 Drama/Theater Arts I  
 Drawing I  
 Fundamentals of Microsoft Office Core Program  
 Fundamentals of Public Health  
 Graphic Design  
 History of Film  
 Physical Fitness  
 Political Science  
 Psychology  
 Rock Band  
 Spanish Journalism  
 Sculpture & Ceramics  
 Teacher Aide

## IMPACT OF COVID-19



Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, APS was in a distance, synchronous learning program from March 17, 2020, up until March 2021. 5 days of on campus classes were given between March 2021-May 2021. Our grading system has remained unchanged, evaluating students on an A-F grade scale. For this school year, APS has taken all measures to secure the safety of our students and staff. These measures include making class sizes smaller and creating more groups for certain class subjects. To be able to accommodate these changes, some elective courses are not part of our 2021-2022 curriculum as our faculty numbers remain the same. We have resumed sports and extracurricular activities at limited capacity to ensure the safety of all involved.

<sup>1</sup> AP courses for the Class of 2022 were mostly available during their junior and senior years. Total load of AP courses is between 10-12 classes from 9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grade.