

# THE LIST

## LARGEST PRIVATE SCHOOLS

Ranked by total current enrollment in the greater San Fernando Valley

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Private Schools List ranks local elementary, middle and high schools in the greater Valley area that are not administered by local, state or national governments. The schools are ranked by total student enrollment for the 2010-2011 school year. Forty schools are presented here with Pinecrest Schools holding its No. 1 position thanks to its multitude of area campuses.

The remainder of the top half of the List is almost identical to 2010's List with the biggest change being Oaks Christian overtaking The Help Group for the No. 5 spot. These larger schools feature enrollments ranging from 2,000 to 4,000. The smallest school here is Beth Hillel Day School in Valley Village with a total of 83 students.

— By Josh Dausch

### THE PACESETTER

For the 6th consecutive year, Pinecrest Schools has topped the Private School List with a total enrollment of 3,800 students in the greater Valley area. Pinecrest Schools operates campuses in Canyon Country, Thousand Oaks, Lancaster, Valencia, Van Nuys, Simi Valley, Northridge, Woodland Hills and their most recent addition, Moorpark, opened in 2000. This is the largest presence in the region of all local

private schools, providing educational services for children 18 months through 8th grade. The first campus was opened in Van Nuys in 1951 by Edna Mae Dye. Sixty years later, 3 campuses have been honored as National Blue Ribbon schools. The Pinecrest Schools are fully accredited by the National Independent Private Schools Association through 2012.

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1	<b>Pinecrest Schools<sup>2</sup></b> 15244 Magnolia Blvd. Sherman Oaks, 91403 pinecrestschools.com	3,800 4,100	489 NA 584	\$8,000 \$8,200 na	none PreK-8 co-ed	specialty courses, honors, private school sports league, accepts I-20s for foreign students, NCLB Blue Ribbon School recipient	Jeri Dye Lynch President (818) 986-2470
2	<b>Chaminade College Preparatory</b> 10210 Oakdale Ave. Chatsworth, 91311 chaminade.org	1,995 1,969	129 12 199	na \$11,650 \$11,650	Roman Catholic 6-12 co-ed	AP, honors, religious retreat and community outreach, clubs, athletics	James V. Adams Principal (818) 360-0615
3	<b>Bishop Alemany High School</b> 11111 N. Alemany Dr. Mission Hills, 91345 alemany.org	1,660 1,650	80 10 155	na na \$7,645	Catholic 9-12 co-ed	AP, honors, college preparatory	Frank Ferry Principal (818) 365-3925
4	<b>Desert Christian Schools</b> 44662 N. 15th St. Lancaster, 93534 desertchristian.com	1,469 1,565	51 2 295	\$4,323 \$4,587 \$5,346	non-denominational PreK-12 co-ed	AP, honors, learning disabilities, performing, fine arts	Cecil Swetland CEO (661) 948-5071
5	<b>Oaks Christian School</b> 31749 La Tienda Dr. Westlake Village, 91362 oakschristian.org	1,342 1,211	99 7 183	na \$23,860 \$23,860	non-denominational 6-12 co-ed	AP, Honors, College Prep	Jeffrey Woodcock Headmaster (818) 575-9292
6	<b>Help Group</b> 13130 Burbank Blvd. Sherman Oaks, 91401 thehelpgroup.org	1,340 1,285	147 126 617	\$27,000 \$27,000 \$27,000	none PreK-12 co-ed	specialized education serving students with challenges related to Autism, learning disabilities and social-emotional issues	Dr. Barbara Firestone President (818) 781-0360

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7	<b>Viewpoint School</b> 23620 Mulholland Highway Calabasas, 91302 viewpoint.org	1,200 1,200	WND WND WND	WND WND WND	none K-12 co-ed	27 AP courses, 13 honors courses	Dr. Robert Dworkoski Headmaster (818) 340-2901
8	<b>Campbell Hall</b> 4533 Laurel Canyon Blvd. North Hollywood, 91607 campbellhall.org	1,085 1,093	105 4 245	\$22,220 \$27,220 \$27,220	Episcopalian K-12 co-ed	22 AP courses, 16 honors courses	Rev. Canon Julian P. Bull Headmaster (818) 980-7280
9	<b>Grace Brethren Schools</b> 2762 Avenida Simi Simi Valley, 93065 gracebrethrenschools.com	1,032 1,025	50 1 100	\$5,800 \$7,100 \$7,800	Evangelical Christian PreK-12 co-ed	AP, honors, WASC, ACSI, college preparatory, athletics, arts	Ray Blackwell Executive Director (805) 522-4605
10	<b>Village Christian Schools</b> 8930 Village Ave. Sun Valley, 91352 villagechristian.org	968 1,100	52 6 145	\$9,720 \$9,720 \$10,940	non-denominational K-12 co-ed	AP, honors, Mandarin Chinese (9-12), Spanish (K-12), fine arts academy, spiritual life program, technology lab (K-12) and financial aid available	Tom Konjoyan Head of Schools (818) 767-8382
11	<b>Sierra Canyon School</b> 11052 Independence Ave. Chatsworth, 91311 sierracanyonschool.org	905 904	105 2 190	\$20,950 \$21,990 \$27,500	none PreK-12 co-ed	honors classes, AP program, directed research program, full athletic program, drama, art, music, computer technology	Jim Skrumbis Head of School (818) 882-8121
12	<b>Harvard-Westlake School<sup>3</sup></b> 3700 Coldwater Canyon North Hollywood, 91604 www.hw.com	870 866	116 11 199	na na \$29,200	interfaith 10-12 co-ed	AP, honors, independent study	Thomas C. Hudnut President (818) 980-6692
13	<b>Woodcrest School</b> 6043 Tampa Ave. Tarzana, 91356 woodcrestschool.com	825 800	70 NA 85	\$9,000 na na	none PreK-5 co-ed	Pre-K, K-5, Gifted, Strong Academics, Technology, Fine Arts, Indoor Pool, and Sports.	Andrea Miller Principal (818) 345-3002
14	<b>The Buckley School</b> 3900 Stansbury Ave. Sherman Oaks, 91423 buckley.org	770 770	88 3 166	\$26,670 \$30,025 \$30,025	none K-12 co-ed	AP, honors, college prep, music theory, visual and performing arts, Chinese, leadership	Larry W. Dougherty Head of School (818) 783-1610
15	<b>Oakwood School</b> 11600 Magnolia Blvd. North Hollywood, 91601 oakwoodschool.org	750 760	89 5 145	\$25,600 \$30,200 \$30,200	none K-12 co-ed	AP, honors, special and independent studies	James A. Astman Headmaster (818) 752-4400
16	<b>La Reina High School</b> 106 West Janss Rd. Thousand Oaks, 91360 lareina.com	600 610	42 4 73	na \$10,400 \$10,400	Roman Catholic 7-12 female	College preparatory and AP classes including: English, French, Spanish, calculus, biology, physics, European history, United States history, government, macroeconomics, art	Sister Mary LaReina Kelly President (805) 495-6494
17	<b>Hillcrest Christian School</b> 17531 Rinaldi St. Granada Hills, 91344 hillcrestchristianschool.org	567 615	18 1 88	\$6,457 \$6,732 \$6,908	non-denominational K-12 co-ed	AP and honors courses, discovery program, performing arts, athletics, music academy, missions outreach	David Kendrick Superintendent (818) 368-7071
18	<b>Emek Hebrew Academy</b> 15365 Magnolia Blvd Sherman Oaks, 91403 emek.org	542 NA	65 0 90	WND WND WND	Jewish Orthodox Nursery - 8th Gr. co-ed	dual curriculum, general & Judaic studies	Pesach Washman Rabbi (818) 783-3663
19	<b>Flintridge Preparatory School</b> 4543 Crown Ave. La Canada Flintridge, 91011 flintridgeprep.org	500 500	64 1 94	na \$26,720 \$26,825	n/a 7-12 coed	independent college preparatory, liberal arts education, 13 sports for boys and girls	Peter Bachmann Headmaster (818) 790-1178
20	<b>New Community Jewish High School</b> 7353 Valley Circle Blvd. West Hills, 91304 ncjhs.org	400 402	53 3 105	na na \$26,500	Jewish 9-12 co-ed	AP, honors, Science Academy, athletic teams, theater, clubs, service learning, retreats	Dr. Bruce Powell Head of School (818) 348-0048
21	<b>Abraham Joshua Heschel Day School</b> 17701 Devonshire Street Northridge, 91325 heschel.com	378 367	57 1 85	\$17,306-\$19,858 \$23,801 na	Jewish PreK-8 co-ed	WND	Betty Winn Head of School (818) 368-5781
22	<b>Providence High School</b> 511 S. Buena Vista St. Burbank, 91505 providencehigh.org	375 NA	30 2 54	na na \$10,200	Catholic 9-12 co-ed	college prep, AP, honors, focus programs for media, medical, and technology, strong visual/ performing arts program, athletics, Model United Nations, and mock trial	Michael Collins Head of School (818) 846-8141
23	<b>Montclair College Preparatory</b> 8071 Sepulveda Blvd. Van Nuys, 91402 na	330 WND	WND WND WND	WND na WND	Independent 6-12 co-ed	college preparatory, advanced placement, and college level courses available	Mike McDonnell Head of School (818) 787-5290
24	<b>St. John Eudes</b> 9925 Mason Ave. Chatsworth, 91311 school.stjohneudes.org	295 297	12 1 27	\$5,170 \$5,170 NA	Catholic K-8 co-ed	honors, music, choir, glee group, sports, tutoring, fine arts, computer lab, science lab, author program, robotics, foreign language, physical education, dance, art, chess	Barbara Danowitz Principal (818) 341-1454
25	<b>Our Lady of Perpetual Help School</b> 23255 Lyons Ave Santa Clarita, 91321 oplhsc.org	251 247	9 0 23	\$4,300 \$4,300 na	Catholic K-8 co-ed	Religion, reading, language arts, mathematics, science, social studies, etc.	Sharon Krahl Principal (661) 259-1141
26	<b>Kadima Day School</b> 7011 Shoup Ave. West Hills, 91307 kadimadayschool.org	242 237	WND 2 65	\$18,500 \$21,500 na	Jewish Pre School-8th co-ed	integrated general and Judaic studies education	Bill Cohen Head of School (818) 346-0849
27	<b>Our Lady of Lourdes School</b> 7324 Apperson St. Tujunga, 91042 ourladyoflourdes.us	237 210	14 NA 27	\$3,700 \$3,700 na	Catholic PreK - 8 co-ed	high school preparatory	Kathleen M. Jones Principal (818) 353-1106
28	<b>St. Rose of Lima Elementary School</b> 1325 Royal Ave. Simi Valley, 93065 srls.org	236 236	12 0 26	\$3,825 \$3,825 na	Catholic 1-8 co-ed	High School preparatory	Kathy Barrantes Principal (805) 526-5304
29	<b>Chatsworth Hills Academy</b> 21523 Rinaldi St. Chatsworth, 91311 chaschool.org	225 225	23 1 42	15,510 16,520 na	none PreK-8 co-ed	Spanish, science lab, arts, music, library, computer lab, sports program. After school enrichment classes, including Mandarin Chinese, chess, yoga, gymnastics, and karate.	Ann Gillinger Head of School (818) 998-4037

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30	<b>Adat Ari El Day School</b> 12020 Burbank Blvd. Valley Village, 91607 aaedayschool.org	216 225	43 0 61	\$15,530 na na	Jewish K-6 co-ed	general and Judaic studies curriculum, science/ computer lab, art lab, dance, music, PE, sports, Hebrew	Lana Marcus Head of School (818) 766-4992
31	<b>The Wesley School</b> 4832 Tujunga Ave. North Hollywood, 91601 wesleyschool.org	199 199	24 NA 43	\$18,400 \$20,150 na	non-denominational K-8 co-ed	music, art, computer, foreign language, and P.E. starting in kindergarten	John Walter Head of School (818) 508-4542
32	<b>Westmark School</b> 5461 Louise Ave. Encino, 91316 westmarkschool.org	197 167	35 1 59	\$28,700 \$29,700 \$29,700	none 4-12 co-ed	students with learning differences, CIF athletic program, cutting edge facilities, assisted technology program, fine and performing arts, student produced news network, comprehensive college/ career-counseling, WASC accredited, NAIS members	Muir Meredith Head of School (818) 986-5045
33	<b>Valley Presbyterian School</b> 9240 Haskell Ave. North Hills, 91343 valleypresbyterianschool.com	175 200	WND WND WND	\$5,300 na na	Presbyterian PreK-6 co-ed	Accelerated academic programs, learning lab, computer lab, art, music, PE classes, after school sports & cheerleading programs	Claudia Moreland Principal (818) 894-3674
34	<b>Bethany Christian School</b> 200 West Bethany Court Thousand Oaks, 91360 bethanychristianschoolto.org	165 <sup>4</sup> 170 <sup>4</sup>	10 WND 40	\$5,000 na na	all K-6 co-ed	WND	Shirley A. Hackleman Principal (805) 497-7072
35	<b>First Presbyterian Weekday School</b> 10400 Zelzah Ave. Northridge, 91326 firstpresbyterianweekdayschool.org	140 164	12 WND 27	\$7,205 na na	Presbyterian K-5 co-ed	computer/science labs, Spanish, Bible study, music, physical education, art	Mary Lou Pennington Principal (818) 368-7254
36	<b>Bridges Academy</b> 3921 Laurel Canyon Blvd. Studio City, 91604 bridges.edu	130 126	32 WND 51	WND WND WND	none 5-12 co-ed	gifted and highly-gifted students with AD/HD, NLD and other learning differences	Carl Sabatino Head of School (818) 506-1091
37	<b>San Fernando Valley Academy</b> 17601 Lassen St. Northridge, 91325 sfva.org	130 160	10 4 21	\$4,850 \$5,660 \$6,500	Seventh Day Adventist K-12 coed	honors, advanced placement, music	David Branum Principal (818) 349-1373
38	<b>Glenoaks Schools</b> 1525 Glenoaks Blvd. San Fernando, 91340 glenoaksschools.com	114 114 <sup>5</sup>	10 0 21	\$4,000 na na	non-denominational PreK-6 co-ed	WND	Eun Ji Park Principal (818) 365-1513
39	<b>Granada Hills Baptist School</b> 10949 Zelzah Ave. Granada Hills, 91344 granadahillsbaptistschool.com	105 140	6 0 15	\$5,990 na na	Baptist K-6 co-ed	WND	Elayne Vanasse Principal (818) 360-2104
40	<b>Beth Hillel Day School</b> 12326 Riverside Dr. Valley Village, 91607 bethhilleldayschool.org	83 72	6 1 25	\$12,650 na na	Jewish PreK-6 co-ed	full elementary school curriculum including general studies, Jewish studies, Hebrew, computers, PE, art, music, and Israeli dance	Fanny Levy Head of School (818) 763-9148

na: Not Applicable WND: Would Not Disclose AP: Advanced Placement WASC: Western Association of Schools and Colleges CAIS: California Association of Independent Schools

Information for this list was provided by official school representatives. Schools were ranked by the number of students in the greater San Fernando Valley area. In the event of a tie, schools were further ranked by the number of teachers. The following schools did not respond this year: Laurel Hall, Crespi Carmelite, Woodland Hills Private, St. Nicholas, Montrose Christian Montessori, Egremont and Messiah Lutheran.

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<sup>2</sup> School operates 11 campuses.  
<sup>3</sup> Information reflected only for the Valley-based High School; middle school campus  
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