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ATHENS COLLEGE – PSYCHICO COLLEGE

School Profile 2019-2020

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Enrollment: Total 4751: PreK. to 12

Athens College High School: 535 Psychico College High School: 691 (Gr. 10-12)
Graduating class: 152 Graduating class: 258 (146 I.B.)

Middle Schools: 1199 (Gr. 7-9)

Elementary Schools: 2011 (Gr.1-6)

PreK & Kindergarten: 291

Faculty: Total: 542

High School Faculty: 168

Overall student: faculty ratio 9:1

The Schools

Athens College - Hellenic American Educational Foundation (HAEF), founded in 1925, is a non-profit educational institution that seeks to incorporate in its programs the best standards and practices embodied in Greek and American education. HAEF graduates have held distinguished positions in government, academia, the sciences, the arts, business, and banking, both in Greece and abroad.

A hallmark feature of the HAEF since its founding has been its extensive scholarship program, which allows deserving students the opportunity to attend our institution irrespective of their families' financial situation. As Stephanos Delta, the program's founder, said, "The education our school offers should not become a privilege of the wealthy." As of 2018-19, our school has established merit scholarships well for students who excel in the entrance examinations for Grades 7 and 10 and had excelled in their previous school. The number of need-based and merit scholarship recipients last year was 640, with a total of 3,126,296 euro.

Athens College – HAEF - is comprised of two highly competitive sister schools, Athens College and Psychico College. Each has an elementary school (Demotic), a middle school (Gymnasium), and a high school (Genikon Lykeion). Athens College has operated since 1925, the Psychico College Elementary since 1980, and the Psychico College Middle School and High School since 1999. Students join the school in Grade 1 through a lottery system, and through competitive entrance examinations for a number of places in Grades 2-11. Students are admitted to the "Ioannis M. Karras" Model Kindergarten after a readiness evaluation and an interview of the parents.

At the upper school level, both Athens College and Psychico College offer the Greek national curriculum, while Psychico College also offers the full International Baccalaureate Bilingual Diploma Program for Grades 11 and 12. Students in either school can apply to enter the IB upon completion of Grade 10. The IB Program has been in operation since the academic year 1996-97.

As of January 2019, both secondary school units are authorized IB World Schools for the Middle Years Programme (MYP). The MYP is offered as a four-year program (Grades 7-10) along with the national curriculum, and MYP year 5 students receive IB-validated grades upon completion of the MYP Personal Project in the final year of the program.

In its constant effort to improve the quality of learning and teaching in its schools, HAEF has instituted the College Online - Course Management System, which enables students and teachers to enhance the effectiveness of their work through its Knowledge Base, Digital Tools, and Collaboration Mechanism. HAEF is also a member of the European Foundation for Quality Management and a test center for various external university admission exams, such as SAT, BMAT, Oxford Admissions Tests, and Cambridge University Pre-Interview Assessments. Finally, every year thirteen Fulbright Fellows join the school to strengthen the ties between the Foundation and the United States and to provide a cross-cultural educational experience to students and faculty.

Facilities and Location

The Middle Schools, High Schools, Kindergarten, Department of Special Programs (offering courses in Foreign languages, Music, and Athletics) and Adult Education Program are located on a 37-acre campus in Psychico, about four miles from central Athens. The Psychico campus includes 230 classrooms and labs in 12 academic buildings. The main library has a collection of approximately 70,000 volumes, in Greek and English, 300 current titles of print and electronic journals/magazines and newspapers, databases with e-books and general information articles, and 144 computers and laptops available for student use for research projects and the teaching of information skills. The Informatics Center (IC) promotes innovative digital educational content and offers a haven for teamwork, creativity and discovery to both students and faculty. The IC facilities include a 200-capacity auditorium, with video wall conferencing and 3D projection equipment for 3D Educational libraries as well as Multi Media Labs, equipped with state of the art 3D printing, milling machine, laser cutter equipment, Web TV, music technology and robotics infrastructure. Our campus also hosts an indoor swimming pool, a fully equipped athletics center and a modern 830-seat theater. The academic and athletic facilities of the Elementary Schools are located on a 46-acre campus ten miles northeast of central Athens in Kantza.

The Curriculum

The Greek National Curriculum awards the Greek high school certificate (Apolytirio of the Geniko Lykeion) at the end of Grade 12. Students choose a concentration at the end of Grade 10 in one of two areas: 1) humanities, or 2) math and pure science. At the end of Grade 11 students choose one of four areas: 1) humanities, 2) math and science, 3) health sciences, or 4) economics and computer science. In Grades 10, 11, and 12, the minimum passing grade is 9.5/20. The final grade for each subject is an average of the two semester grades (50%) and the final exam (50%). The Apolytirio average is based on the GPA of Grade 12 subjects.

Geniko Lykeion students wishing to pursue tertiary education in Greek universities have to sit highly competitive national examinations (“Panhellenic”) in four subjects depending on their chosen field of study. Last year, of the **209** students graduating from the Greek Geniko Lykeion of both Athens College and Psychico College who sat the Panhellenic exams and submitted applications, **201** were admitted to Greek public institutions of tertiary education (96%). A number of last year’s graduates were also admitted to and chose to attend universities abroad, primarily in the United Kingdom and the United States, but also in other European countries, as well as private institutions in Greece.

The HAEF schools have the following academic departments: English, Greek Language, History & Social Sciences, Information Technology, Mathematics, Music, Natural Sciences, and Physical Education.

The IB Diploma Program (The International Baccalaureate) is a two-year course (Grades 11 and 12) taught in English with a History (Yr1), Greek Language, Greek Literature and Physical Education component taught in Greek. Students are awarded the full equivalent of the Greek Apolytirio through a combination of being awarded the IB Diploma by the IBO and passing two out of the three subjects taught in Yr2, i.e. Greek Language and Greek Literature. All students who enroll in this program intend to apply to universities abroad. Last year, all 103 students who concluded the IBDP enrolled in institutions of higher education in the United Kingdom, the United States, Canada and several European countries.

Academic Calendar: Grades 9-12 use a semester calendar, with term 1 (09/11-01/20), 2 (01/21-05/20), final exam, and year-end grades reported. The IB system provides for predicted grades in the fall of the last year, whereas the Geniko Lykeion system does not.

Ranking: Our school **does not rank** students.

Athletics, Clubs, and Activities

In addition to the Physical Education program which is part of the curriculum, students participate in team sports and track and field. The school teams participate in regional and national school tournaments.

More than twenty clubs and extracurricular activities are available to students, with Forensics, Debate, Model United Nations, and UNESCO among the most selective. Students also may choose to write for one or more of the school’s many publications: the “ΑΘΗΝΑΙΟΣ” and “PRO[S]KLISI” Greek magazines, the “As You Like It” and Punchline English magazines, the “NEA TOY ΚΟΛΛΕΓΙΟΥ” Greek newspaper, and the “IB Visions.” The senior class publishes the Student Yearbook, “ΘΗΣΑΥΡΟΣ”. Finally, the Drama Club’s performances are of professional standards, winning many prizes in Pan-Hellenic competitions.

Students also participate in philanthropic activities such as Community Service Day, and volunteer with the Floga Cancer Society, the Greek Red Cross, the WWF, and refugee-support organizations in recent years.

The annual three-day school fair, Panigiri, is the culminating event of the various school activities: presentations by clubs, fund-raising activities, and musical and theatrical performances are attended by the school and the Athenian community.

Students in Grades 10-12 participate in 4 public speaking contests, three of them in Greek and one in English. They are among the school’s most prestigious events.

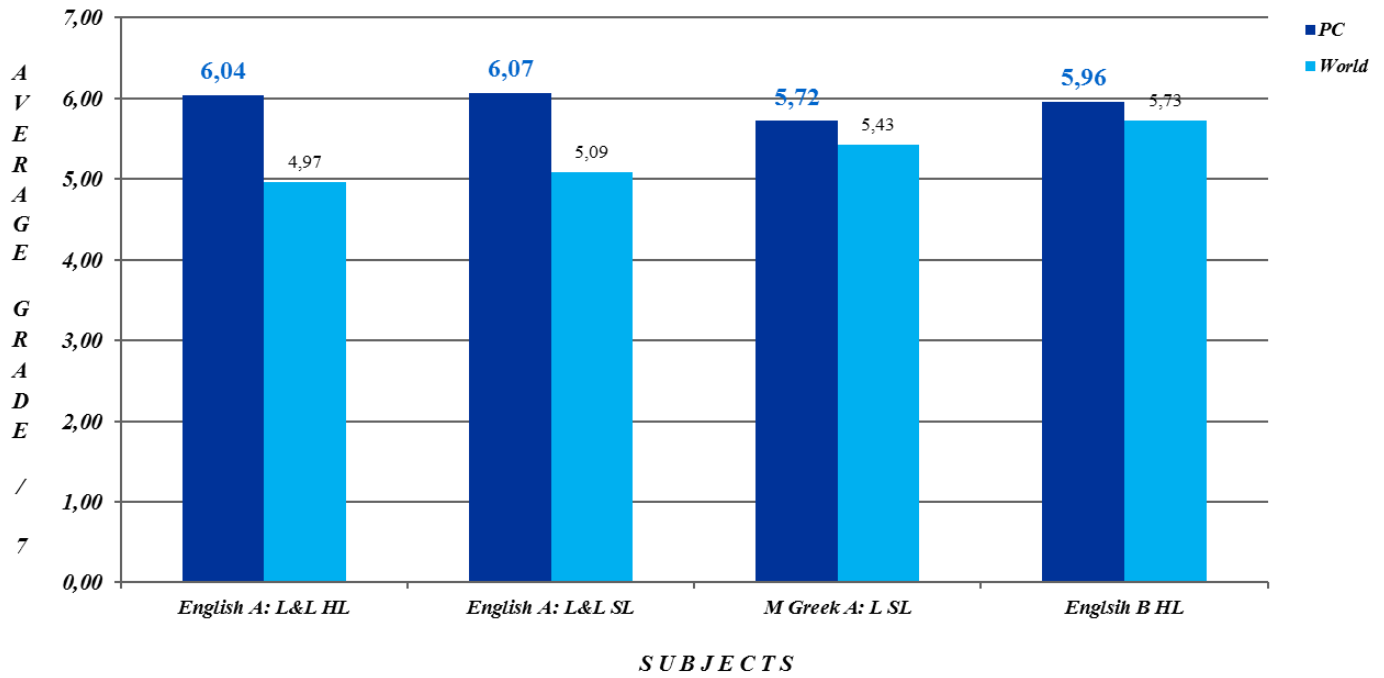
North American College Matriculation (Classes of 2018 and 2019)

Over the past two years, graduates have enrolled at the following universities and colleges in the United States of America and Canada:

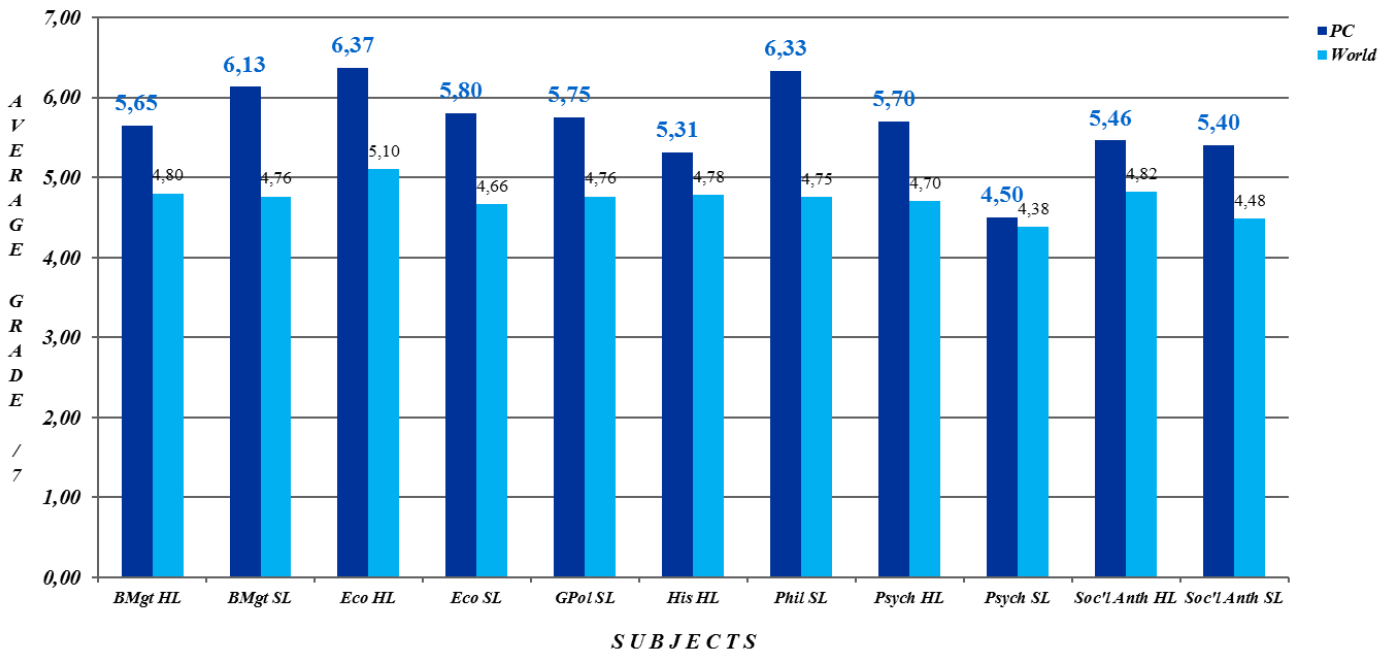
<i>American University</i>	2	<i>Northwestern University</i>	6
<i>Babson College</i>	2	<i>Olin College of Engineering</i>	1
<i>Barnard College</i>	1	<i>Pace University</i>	3
<i>Bentley University</i>	2	<i>Pomona College</i>	2
<i>Boston College</i>	4	<i>Purdue University</i>	1
<i>Boston University</i>	2	<i>Rice University</i>	1
<i>Brown University</i>	6	<i>Ringling College of Art and Design</i>	1
<i>Californian Institute of Technology</i>	1	<i>Rollins College</i>	1
<i>College of the Holy Cross</i>	2	<i>Stanford University</i>	2
<i>Columbia University</i>	3	<i>Suffolk University</i>	1
<i>Cornell University</i>	1	<i>The New School - Parsons</i>	1
<i>Dartmouth College</i>	1	<i>Tufts University</i>	4
<i>Davidson College</i>	2	<i>U Chicago</i>	1
<i>Elon University</i>	1	<i>U Colorado Denver</i>	1
<i>Emerson College</i>	1	<i>U Maryland College Park</i>	1
<i>Emory University</i>	1	<i>U Miami</i>	1
<i>Florida International University</i>	1	<i>U Michigan</i>	4
<i>Fordham University</i>	1	<i>U Pennsylvania</i>	1
<i>George Washington University</i>	2	<i>U Southern California</i>	2
<i>Georgetown University</i>	4	<i>U Toronto (Canada)</i>	2
<i>Georgia Tech</i>	1	<i>UC Berkeley</i>	1
<i>Harvard University</i>	1	<i>UC LA</i>	1
<i>Johns Hopkins University</i>	2	<i>UC Santa Cruz</i>	1
<i>Loyola Marymount University</i>	1	<i>Vanderbilt University</i>	1
<i>Massachusetts Institute of Technology</i>	1	<i>Williams College</i>	2
<i>McGill University (Canada)</i>	4	<i>Worcester Polytechnic Institute</i>	2
<i>New York University</i>	9	<i>Yale University</i>	2
<i>Northeastern University</i>	5		

International Baccalaureate Exam Results
Psychico College Averages vs. World Averages
Class of 2019

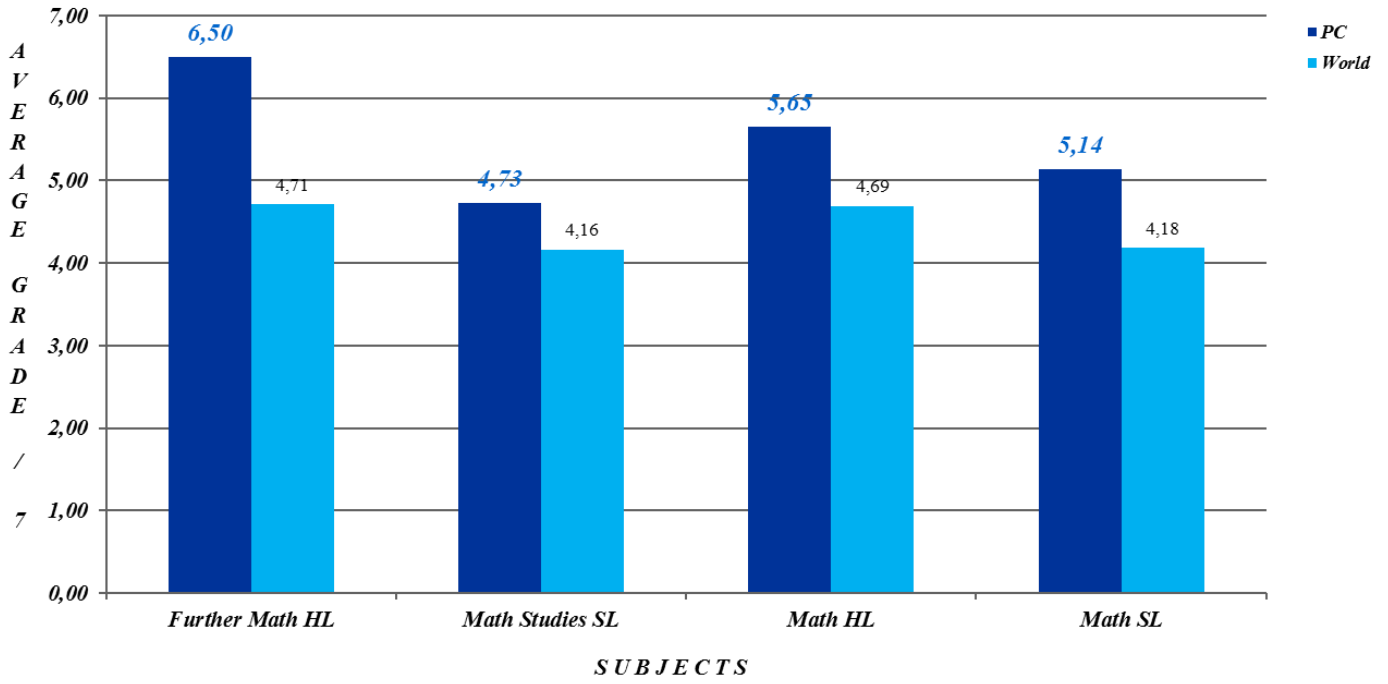
*Average Grade Distribution in the
LANGUAGES (Groups 1 & 2)
(PC vs World)*



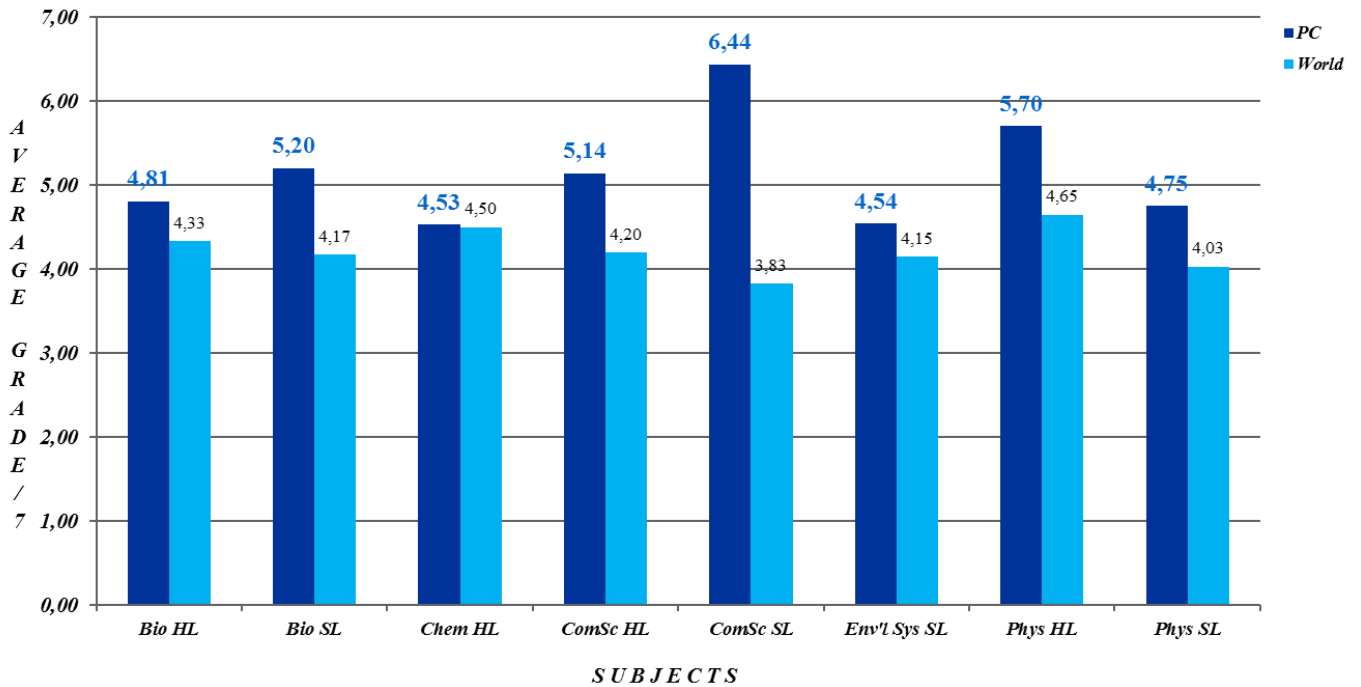
*Distribution of Average Grades in
SOCIAL SCIENCES (Group 3)
PC vs World*



*Distribute of Average Grades in
MATHEMATICS (Group 5)
PC vs World*



*Distribution of Average Grades in
EXPERIMENTAL SCIENCES (Group 4)
PC vs World*



*Distribution of Average Grades in
THE ARTS (Group 6)
PC vs World*

