# PINNACLE ACADEMY Reaching the Peak of Aademic Success

Pinnacle Academy
is an online learning
community hosting a culture
of non-negotiable success
where exceptional students
will have the opportunity to
dive into African American
History while completing
NCAA accredited courses!

We are a Black owned and operated Educational Academy designed with an understanding that each student learning style and pace is unique. Everyone that desires and completes the enrollment process is welcome!

- Work
   Independently
- Meet with your Academic Coach for guidance
- Access Online Tutorial anytime
- Make your own schedule
- Enjoy special projects based on Black Culture
- Join Social Clubs
- Schedule live tutoring for tough subjects
- Spread classes out
- Get everything done in ½ the time (Pace yourself)

**Welcome!** The founders of Pinnacle Academy created a study group of African American students of all ages and polled their recent experience with online learning. From the student's input we put our plan in motion. It was decided immediately to change every aspect that the study group did not enjoy, simultaneously using the same student input to build a learning environment that answers the need. An online educational platform is not unique, but our approach is. We know trying to concentrate on a zoom lecture with five or more other students can be frustrating and exhausting. Our format is completely different. We use our group formats for study groups, group projects, social clubs and other activities that require group social interactions.

Students at Pinnacle Academy are encouraged to learn independently. Each student has an Academic Coach, who works one on one to help students create realistic goals and complete them. A full tutorial on how to access our online platform is given during the Parent/Student Orientation (TBD). Our students have access to subject specific tutorials, and the ability to schedule live tutoring. If students struggle in any subject, they are assigned a live teacher as needed. Essentially, students have four ways to get the information they need to master a subject and to succeed in all courses.

Students at Pinnacle Academy are coached and motivated to achieve their goals. Our initial assessment testing is used to help discover and respond to any areas of remediation. In addition, we offer AP Courses, Honors, and Core courses. All our courses are activity based, which allows students to engage in active learning as they complete tasks. Active learning requires students to master material before they go on to the next level. Also, students can test out of any unit/level that they have already mastered. These are the things that allow students to excel. At Pinnacle, we believe students who focus on their successes are more enthusiastic about learning and challenging themselves. We believe Pinnacle Academy's approach to online learning will set a trend for the future.

Technology and the availability to access Internet or Wi-Fi Hotspot are no longer a challenge. For a small fee of \$1500 (Not available outside the US), students can add on the TechPak. Our TechPak comes with a laptop computer or notebook ready for use and yours to keep, along with a Wi-Fi Hotspot with a 12-month access plan.

Pinnacle Academy is a new school; therefore, our school accreditation is in process. However, our curriculum through Apex is accredited by NCAA, UCOP, AdvancedED and more. Pinnacle students grades 9-12 are placed in accredited courses through our Apex link until Pinnacle Academy has its own accreditation award (Updated 08/01/2020). Each student will receive all the great benefits of being a Pinnacle Academy student.

Add \$1500 to each Tuition package for our TechPak: includes laptop computer and hotspot	
Parent Initial:	

By Initialing, you acknowledge that you read this document and you understand that while the school's curriculum is accredited by the NCAA, Pinnacle Academy itself is in its first year of operation, and therefore does not yet provide its own accreditation.

**Pinnacle Academy** offers online activity-based learning for grades 6-12. Even though students work independently, they are not alone. Each student has an Academic Coach and immediate online access to tutorials and up to 48 hours of live tutoring sessions (included as part of full-time tuition). Pinnacle Academy also emphasis Black American culture. To achieve this with our current curriculum, we have incorporated projects that are strictly focused on African American History, including pre-colonial up to present day.

#### **Enrollment Process**

To Attend Pinnacle Academy, each student must complete the following steps.

- 1. Student applicant must have completed 5<sup>th</sup> grade successfully
- 2. Complete an Enrollment form and pay the processing Fee \$50 for each student
- 3. Provide student transcripts from previous school
- 4. Parent and Student must sign the Pinnacle Academy Parent/Student Contract
- 5. Select Enrollment type (Full-time, Part-time = Max 4 courses/year, or a Single Course).
- 6. Pay Student Registration fee (\$1500 or \$500- Single Course) & select a payment plan
- 7. Receive Parent and Student Portal
- 8. Select courses and take grade level English and Math Assessment tests (These same exams are given at the end of the term/semester for the purpose of recording statistical data and to know how well our students are mastering the curriculum.)
- 9. Meet with an Academic Coach
- 10. Complete Parent/Student orientation

**Summary:** The faculty, staff, coaches, and students are expected to behave in a manner that is respectful and lending to a healthy learning environment. All communications between students and faculty members of Pinnacle Academy is expected to be courteous during group and private sessions including the tutoring portal.

# Rules for Conduct (Please read and initial to acknowledge).

- Students: Do not give out your portal login and password to anyone.
- Students attending a live or group session should login to class 5 minutes prior to start time
- We require that each student join all online groups and live teacher setting in clothing. (No visible sleepwear or undergarments should be worn as a part of school attire).
- Students are asked to set up their work environment on a tabletop or desk in an area that is quiet
- Students should use a headset and follow class rules about using tools during class
- Independent students must request a tutor for course work that cannot be completed alone or within the amount of time scheduled.
- All students with incomplete tasks or low quiz/test scores will be required to use the online tutorial programs and or schedule live tutoring on our EPM (Education Plus tutoring Module).
   Each of these steps will be repeated, along with AC consultations to ensure students are confident about what they learn.
- Each student is individual and encouraged to work at their own pace. Students should not compare themselves with others, so we discourage the behavior.
- We encourage healthy competition with projects, fundraising, sports and games.
- Students are not allowed to use profanity or vulgar expressions towards teachers, other students or in any manner while they are interacting on the Pinnacle Academy platform. Also, student profiles/dashboards need to be clear of vulgar language and or explicit content.
   Gang signs, slurs and symbols are prohibited imagery.
- Profanity and explicit language not directly related to school text or a part of course subject matter is prohibited. In addition, name calling and or character judgmental comments will not be tolerated be it written, spoken or implied.
- Cyber bullying will not be tolerated. Cyber bullying can describe hurtful communication in words, phrases, gestures, photos, and written sentiments. Anything that demeans another's character, physical appearance or personage is considered cyber bullying. This includes all Pinnacle Academy's students, faculty and staff working within Pinnacle Academy's website, even if it is found in a text, email, and or any other social media platforms separate from Pinnacle Academy, but referring to it or its members.
- Photos and images used for profile and assignments must be appropriate for educational or professional purposes. Absolutely no nudity, profanity, or other deviance in form of comment, illusions, or innuendos.
- Pinnacle Academy's main objective is learning. We are an established to lift each other and push forward to be the best that we can be.
- Cheating is offensive. Pinnacle Academy has established a process that is meant to help every student learn and achieve greatness. Every student has access to our tutorial program and is entitled to 4 live tutoring sessions a month or 48 per 12-month school term. Additional

- sessions can be purchased for \$50/hr. The EPM Education Plus Module scheduler can be found on with the student learning modules.
- Adherence to Pinnacle Academy's classroom behavior and rules for conduct will attribute to every student's ability to achieve their goals.
- Students found not following guidelines and rules will be reprimanded by losing group privileges first and given a warning. If behavior continues, student will be removed from the program. The Registration/Deposit, and \$50 Initial processing fee is non-refundable.

#### **Parents:**

- Parents will receive timely information regarding student status and task completions. If a student falls behind, the AC will contact the parent and work with the student to coordinate efforts to get back on track.
- Parent/Teacher conferences are scheduled if we note that a student fails to perform, fails to access tutoring, or otherwise neglects the program. Parent/Student and AC will work together to find solutions, if none can be found, low performance can lead to dismissal from the program.
- Payments. Payments are due on the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month unless other arrangements are made and is listed in your contract. We can change your payment due date once after initial contract. Contact <u>admin@pinnacleacademy.org</u>. There is an automatic 5-day grace period, however payments received after the 15<sup>th</sup> will incur a \$25 late fee for every day the payment is late, not to exceed \$500. Student will be dropped from the program after payment is 30 days late. 2 late payments in a row will also be grounds for dismissal.
- Returned checks and declined transactions are considered late payments. A \$50 returned item fee will be charged to your account and the account will incur a \$25 late fee for each day the payment is not re-issued.
- Refunds. Processing Fees are non-refundable but are counted as a part of the total year's tuition. Registration fee: \$1500 for Full and Part-time schedules is also non-refundable. If a student is dismissed or leaves the program by choice, remaining fees are prorated to cover the final month of attendance. Refunds will be based upon the amounts paid and the time remaining in the program. In most cases, refunds are not given, but back fees may be owed.

Signing below indicates that you have read and understand the rules of conduct while accessing Pinnacle Academy's website and online school program.

Please sign and return to Pinnacle Academy:			
Email: admin@pinnacleacademy.org	Mail: PO Box 28761♦ Seattle, Washington ♦ 98118		
Student:	Signature:	_ Date:	
Parent:	Signature:	_ Date:	

#### Please select your payment option:

We offer a variety of payment options. Please review these options and make your selection. Family and Group discounts are not shown. For more information contact our staff @ Do vou need admin@pinnacleacademy.org. Registration: \$1500 for enrollment. a computer? Full-time and Part-time Student Tuition Payment Plans Add \$1500 to each Tuition package for our TechPak: includes laptop computer and hotspot ☐ Full-time 6-8 = \$7500/yr. w/out TechPak  $\square$  Part-time 6-8 = \$5255/yr. w/out TechPak Registration = \$1500 + (Enroll Fee \$50) Registration = \$1500 + (Enroll Fee \$50)10 Monthly payments of \$595 10 monthly payments of \$370.50 ☐ Full-time 9-12 = \$8500/yr. w/out TechPak ☐ Part-time 9-12 = \$6255/yr. w/out TechPak Registration = \$1500 + (Enroll Fee \$50) Registration = \$1500 + (Enroll Fee \$50) 10 Monthly payments of \$695 10 Monthly payments of \$470.50 Discount Packages: Single Payment - 5%discount ♦ 6-Month Payment - 3%discount  $\square$  Full-time 6-8 Single Pymt 5%off = \$7125/yr. ☐ Part-time 6-8 Single Pymt 5%off =\$4992 Registration = \$1500 + (Enroll Fee \$50) Registration = \$1500 + (Enroll Fee \$50) Single Payment \$5575 Single Payment \$3442 ☐ Full-time 9-12 Single Pymt 5%off = \$8075 ☐ Part-time 9-12 Single Pymt 5%off =\$5942 Registration \$1500 + (Enroll Fee \$50) Registration \$1500 + (Enroll Fee \$50) Single Payment \$6525 Single Payment \$4392 **Single Courses** ☐ Single Course ILM = \$1960 ☐ Single Tech Course = \$1810 ☐ Single Course LTM = \$2010 Deposit (\$500 + App Fee \$50) Deposit (\$500 + App Fee \$50) Deposit (\$500 + App Fee \$50) 6Monthly payment of \$235 6Monthly payment of \$210 6Monthly payment of \$244 \*\*\*\* Student Enrollment will be activated upon receipt of Registration = \$1500 \*\*\*\* Payment Type: Check by Mail ☐ Credit/Debit Card Online Mail: PO Box 28761♦ Seattle, Washington ♦ 98118 https://pinnacleacademy.org Parent: Signature: Date: Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone: (\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_ Academic Coach: For Office Use Only: Student ID: Grade: Parent Contact: ☐ Full-time ☐ Part-time ☐ Single Course Student Transcript from previous school: 

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