# High School Options Preliminary Comparisons

Raymond High School vs Pinkerton Academy



#### Background

The Raymond School Board tasked the administration to investigate realistic alternatives for Raymond students aside from Raymond High School. After preliminary consideration of three potential high schools, Pinkerton Academy was selected as the most viable choice to consider. This slideshow is intended to compare, from a variety of perspectives, **Pinkerton Academy and Raymond High School.** 

It is very important to note that we have not entered into any formal agreements or negotiations with PA or any other school. Any projected costs are very rough and preliminary.

#### Factors to Compare

The administration set out to compare Raymond High School and Pinkerton Academy, not only in terms of projected costs but in relation to many other factors related to education. The information was gathered collaboratively by:

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#### Examples of Attributes Examined

**Base Tuition Rates** 

Special Education Program Tuition Rates

Costs for Additional Supports and Services for Students with Disabilities

Additional Regular Transportation Costs

**Special Education Transportation Costs** 

Other Program Costs

**Driving Distance from Raymond** 

Teacher Attainment Level and Test Results

Enrollment and Free/Reduced Lunch

**Drop-Out and Graduation Rates** 

Percent of Students Enrolling in 4 Year College

Course Offerings and Extracurricular Opportunities

Career and Technical Education Offerings

#### Proximity (Distance from Town Center)

Raymond High School

1.2 miles

Pinkerton Academy

14.1 miles

## **Enrollment Comparison**

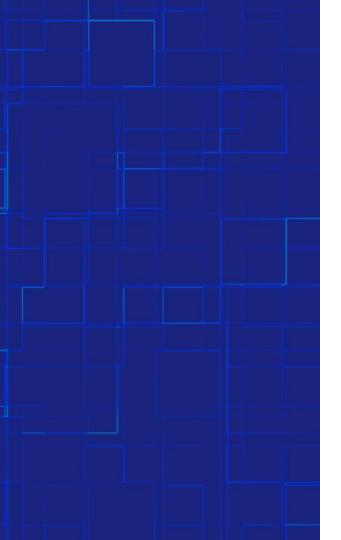
(2017-18 school year data)

Raymond High School

**Pinkerton Academy** 

373 students

3,184 students



# **Teacher Attainment - Masters Degree**

Raymond High School 59.1%

Pinkerton Academy 58.9%

#### **Drop-Out and Graduation Rates**

	<u>D/O</u>	<u>Grad</u>
Raymond High School	2.13%	83.33%
Pinkerton Academy	0.85%	90.98%

## State Assessment Performance Comparison - % Proficient and Above for Reading

Raymond High School 48%

Pinkerton Academy 62%

### State Assessment Performance Comparison - % Proficient and Above for Mathematics

Raymond High School 30%

Pinkerton Academy 41%

## Percent of Students Enrolling in 4 Year Colleges after Graduation

Raymond High School 33%

Pinkerton Academy 51.9%

#### **Course of Studies**

Raymond High School

24 ELA, 14 Math, 16 Science, 21 SS & 73 Electives

Pinkerton Academy

57 ELA, 32 Math, 31 Science, 31 SS & 204 Electives

#### Extracurricular Opportunities

RHS - 26, including Reach High Scholars, Interact Club, Robotics, Cinematography, Debate Club, Science Club, and Drama.

PA - 60+, including Think Tank Club, World Affairs Council, Lunch Buddies, Mock Trial Club, Equestrian Club, and Classical Society.

#### RHS - Special Education Programs

**Connections Program** - The Connections Program works with our most fragile population. Due to the level of support that these students need, every student has a one-to-one paraeducator and a variety of related services (Speech, OT, PT, Reading).

**REAP** (Raymond Experiential Alternative Program) - Students that participate in the programming may or may not have an educational disability. A major component is the adventure based counseling that happens throughout the course of the year. This is in place in order to reconnect them to the school and their education.

**TLC** (The Learning Center) - The Learning Center focuses on the specialized academic instruction for students. All of these students are in need of very specific instruction that will allow them to access the curriculum like every other student.

#### Special Education Programs - Pinkerton Academy

Alternative Comprehensive Program (ACT)

Pinkerton Academy's Special Services for Educational Service (PASSES)

<u>Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)</u>

## Career and Technical Education Options

Raymond High School

**Pinkerton Academy** 

Seacoast School of Technology (12 programs)

Pinkerton CTE (18 programs)

### **Sports Options**

Raymond High School

**Pinkerton Academy** 

18 different registered sports

37 different registered sports

#### More Sports Information

 Participation rates for sports at Pinkerton: 12% to 13 %.  Participation rates for sports at Raymond High: 44%.

 Cut rates at PA estimated between 20% and 30%. Cuts are rare.

#### **Governance & Community Influence**

Pinkerton Academy is governed by a Board of Trustees (up to 18 members) who serve without pay. By contract, each sending town is represented on the Board by a minimum of one trustee. The Headmaster handles operations of the school under the direction of the Board of Trustees.

Raymond High School, along with our other schools, is governed by the Raymond School Board; members are elected by the community of Raymond. The Superintendent reports directly to the Board, and administers over the District including Raymond High School.

**Capital Costs** = Incorporated for both RHS and PA.

**Technology** = Neither school has a requirement for students to purchase or lease computers.

# Annual Operating Cost of RHS

\$6,786,765

#### This includes, but is not limited to:

- Salaries & Benefits: includes teachers, para-educators, support staff, administration, food service staff and grant related expenses
- Vocational Programs offered to students: Seacoast School of Technology
- Transportation: Regular Education,
   Special Education, Homeless, Field
   Trips, Athletics, and Vocational
- Co-curricular and Athletic Programs
- Out-of-District Costs for Special Education students: Tuition & Transportation

#### Projected Base Tuition Rate and Total

#### **Pinkerton Academy**

\$12,066 x 305 Students (373 students less 68 special education students)

\$3,680,130

## Regular Transportation

Comparison of Estimated Costs

2017-18 - RHS: \$310,112.44

Our current bus company has estimated that six additional buses will be needed to transport our students to PA.

Therefore, for each scenario there will be an annual increase of:

Projected Additional \$341,500

# Projected Special Education Tuition Costs (estimated based on our current enrollment)

**Pinkerton Academy** 

\$1,624,046.00

## Other Services Not Included in Estimated Base and/or

**Special Education Tuition** 

Based on individual student needs.

Para-educator Support (\$850,000)

14 - 1:1 Paraeducators

3 - Classroom Based Paraeducators

**Tutoring (\$2,500)** 

As needed

Raymond Representative (\$60,022)

LEA 3 x a week

Other Contracted Services (\$57,587)

Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy,

**Speech Therapy** 

#### Special Transportation

Cost Estimates: No Difference in Cost

Raymond High School

\$37,910.00

Pinkerton Academy

\$37,910.00

## Other Facilities Savings: One less school in Raymond

\$221,421

\$211,487

\$432,908

**Building Costs** 

Salaries and Benefits

**Overall Projected Total** 

#### Other Costs - Not Ongoing

#### Unemployment\*

- Estimated 82 employees
- \$20,000 each
- Paid over two years
- \$1,640,000

#### Severance

- 24 eligible employees
- Employees with 10+ years experience in the Raymond School District paid 90% of substitute rate for unused sick days, up to 120 days
- Paid at one time
- Estimated cost \$191,973

<sup>\*</sup>Estimated in consultation with Primex

#### Overall Estimated Comparison of Ongoing Costs

Raymond High	Pinkerton Academy
\$6,786,765	\$5,928,099

<sup>\*</sup>Rough estimate only; based upon all available information as of Dec. 2018.