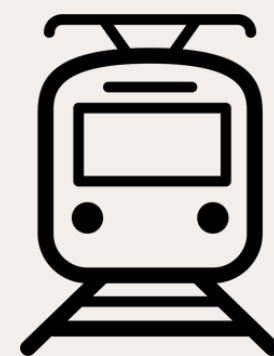


Pyynikin lukio Upper Secondary School

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The historic school building at Pyynikintie 2

Modern learning facilities in the historic Pyynikintie 2 school building, just a few minutes' walk from the Pyynikintori tram stop.

Bus route 10 (Tahmela–Kaukajärvi) stops right outside the school, while the Metso and Aleksanterin kirkko bus stops are only about a 5-minute walk away.

Build a solid foundation for your future at Pyynikin lukio

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General Study Programme

Prepare for success in the matriculation exams and beyond. Graduate as a knowledgeable, globally-minded professional ready for future challenges.

Music and Musical Theatre Study Programme

In addition to being a high-quality general upper secondary school, we have a specific educational programme in music – the only one in the Pirkanmaa region.

Bilingual Study Programme BSP

In the Bilingual Study Programme (BSP), the main language of instruction is Finnish, and English is used as a supporting language.

English Study Programme ESP

In the English Study Programme (ESP), all teaching is conducted in English. Students also take their matriculation examinations in English.

Annual admission quota

- ★ General Study Programme **85**
- ★ Music and Musical Theatre **50**
- ★ Bilingual Study Programme **25**
- ★ English Study Programme **20**



Kuva: Laura Hoppo

Diverse curriculum, high-quality teaching, and an active school culture

Excellent learning results

A wide range of courses,
first-class pedagogy,
modern tools and
materials.

Close-knit school community

You won't be alone, as
everyone looks out for
each other. The
atmosphere is warm and
cozy.

Lots of events and activities

Field trips, expert visits,
debates, concerts, theatre
plays, and many more.

International opportunities

The school's Erasmus+
accreditation offers
students many
international opportunities!

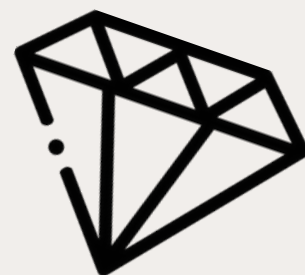


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Specific educational programme in Music and Musical Theatre

The Specific Educational Programme is for students with a background or strong interest in music or performing arts. Students in the programme are allowed to lighten their curriculum by leaving out some compulsory study modules, enabling them to focus more on music and performance studies. They also have the opportunity to perform in various events, such as concerts and musicals. With us, everyone is a star!

We offer nearly 70 different study units in music, musical theatre, and music technology, including:

- **Bands and ensembles**
- **Samsara Choir**
- **Music technology**
- **Theatre**
- **Movement and dance**
- **Scriptwriting**

Students also have access to multiple studios and rehearsal spaces, all of which are exceptionally well-equipped!





Applying to the Music and Musical Theatre Programme

Admission criteria

Students are admitted through the national joint application system based on their combined scores from the audition (1–10 points) and their final report (minimum GPA of 7.0). The total max. score is 20 points (10+10).

Entrance audition

The entrance audition is held at the school and includes an interview as well as short individual performances, such as singing, playing an instrument, or an expressive performance.

Application Form

In addition to the audition, applicants must complete an online form (the link can be found on the Studyinfo portal or on the school's website), where they provide information about themselves as applicants.



Bilingual Study Programme BSP

In the Bilingual Study Programme (BSP), studies are conducted in both Finnish and English. At the end of upper secondary school, students complete the Finnish Matriculation Examination.

The programme is intended for students who wish to study in a Finnish-language upper secondary school but whose Finnish skills are not yet sufficient for fully Finnish-medium studies. Good English skills are required to apply.

Finnish is the main language of instruction in the BSP. English is used as a supporting language. Finnish skills are developed through preparatory Finnish as a second language (S2) study modules (a total of 16 cr during the first year).



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Applying to the Bilingual Study Programme (BSP)

Admission criteria

Students with the Finnish basic education certificate must apply through the national joint application system. In addition to the grade average of the theoretical subjects (min. 7.0) Finnish is weighted (2x) and English (3x).

Discretionary admission

Applications from students without the Finnish certificate will be considered separately. Such applicants will be invited to an interview during which they must outline their motivation to study in the programme and demonstrate their skills in both Finnish and English.



English Study Programme ESP

In the English Study Programme, all instruction is conducted in English, and students also take their matriculation examinations in English.

Students are, however, required to study Finnish as a second language (S2) and complete the S2 examination as part of the Finnish Matriculation Examination.

The programme is intended for young people whose language skills are not sufficient for upper secondary studies in Finnish or Swedish. Applicants are considered to have insufficient proficiency in Finnish or Swedish if they have completed no more than three years of basic education in Finland.

In addition, applicants who are not citizens of an EU or EEA country must hold a residence permit issued on grounds other than studies.





Applying to the English Study Programme (ESP)

Admission criteria

Applicants must take an English-language entrance exam designed to assess their academic readiness. The entrance exam will be held on 20 April 2027 from 10:00 to 12:00. The exam cannot be taken remotely. A single entrance exam allows applicants to apply to all Finnish upper secondary schools offering English-language education. The examination is taken at the school that the applicant has placed as their first-choice option.

Application process

Applicants can be admitted to the programme only if they have attended a Finnish comprehensive school for no more than three years. If an applicant does not hold a Finnish basic education certificate, they must submit an official document of their previous qualification together with an official English translation of the certificate. These documents are used to verify the applicant's eligibility to apply; however, admission to the programme is based on performance in the entrance exam.



At our school, you are never alone

We prioritize community and student support. To help you get started, your first study periods come with pre-planned schedules, and our approachable tutors are always there to guide you. Here, everyone looks out for one another!



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