



2020-2021 PROFILE

CEEB/ACT CODE 220050

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Cushing Academy, founded in 1865, is an independent, coeducational college preparatory boarding school located 60 miles northwest of Boston. Cushing Academy serves a wide range of students in grades 9-12 and offers a post-graduate year.

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FACULTY

73% of teaching faculty have advanced degrees, including four doctorates

7:1 student-faculty ratio

RESPONSE TO COVID-19

In response to Covid-19, Cushing Academy transitioned to remote learning for the final seven weeks of the 2020 spring term. To best replicate pre-Covid expectations and requirements, classes met three times weekly for an hour per session in both synchronous and asynchronous formats, and students continued to receive graded work. Final year grades were awarded and transcripts remain traditional. While Cushing will continue to be a two-semester school for the 2020-2021 academic year, modifications have been made to the school calendar to moderate risk, including access to a hybrid model of both in-person and remote classes.

STUDENT BODY

355 students from 24 states and 23 countries

113 seniors and post-graduates

35% receive financial aid

90% boarding

38% international

32% from Massachusetts

14% domestic students of color

57% male

43% female

CLASS OF 2020

98% plan to attend a four-year college or university*

76% attend college outside of Massachusetts

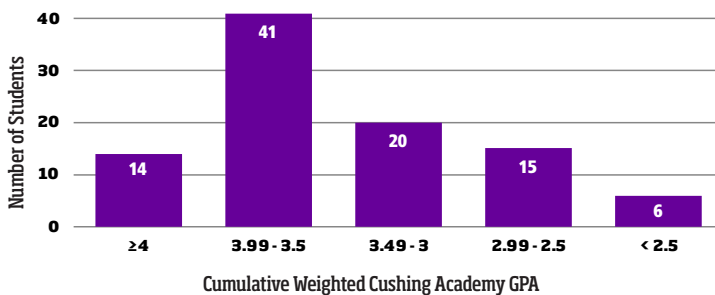
5% attend college outside the US

75% attend a private university

**6% of the class of 2020 is pursuing junior hockey, a post-graduate or gap year prior to matriculation at a four-year college or university.*

RANK AND GPA

Cushing Academy does not rank its students. Below is the class of 2021 cumulative weighted Cushing Academy GPA distribution through June 2020. It does not include PGs or 1-year seniors.



STANDARDIZED TESTING

Due to Covid-19, standardized testing for the class of 2021 is incomplete. For context, we have provided the middle 50 percent SAT range for the classes of 2018-2020 combined.

EBRW	520 - 660*
Math	530 - 740
Combined	1070 - 1380

*Includes TOEFL-eligible students

GRADING SYSTEM

Cushing Academy uses a traditional 4.0 grading scale: A = 4.0, A- = 3.7, B+ = 3.3, B = 3.0, etc. AP, Advanced, and Honors courses are weighted as follows: AP and Advanced +0.5, Honors +0.3. A weighted GPA is provided on the transcript. D- is the lowest passing grade.

Cushing Academy uses a two-semester academic calendar. Full-year courses earn 1.0 credit; semester-long courses earn 0.5 credits.

Students who earn a GPA of 3.7 or higher for the term are placed on the High Honor Roll for the semester. Students earning a GPA between 3.3 and 3.69 are placed on the Honor Roll.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

ENGLISH	4 Years
MATHEMATICS	4 Years
SCIENCE	3 Years
HISTORY AND SOCIAL SCIENCE	3 Years
FOREIGN LANGUAGE	3 Years
VISUAL/PERFORMING ARTS	2 Years
ADDITIONAL COURSES	3 Courses*

*From any of the above disciplines

WATKINS SCHOLAR PROGRAM

The Watkins Scholar Program awards five, full, need-based scholarships annually to exceptional incoming 9th grade boarding students. Scholars possess both a love of learning and noteworthy academic achievement, strong leadership skills, outstanding character and a desire to contribute significantly to Cushing Academy. Watkins Scholars embody the highest academic and community ideals held by Cushing. They are annually among the school's most distinguished students.

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

Thirty-eight percent of the Cushing Academy student body hails from outside the United States. Seven percent of the student body participates in the English as a Second Language program. Courses are offered at the beginning, intermediate and advanced levels.

ACADEMIC SUPPORT

Cushing Academy's Academic Support program offers a highly personalized academic atmosphere, designed to meet the needs of students with mild learning differences. Eighteen percent of the student body takes one or more courses in this program.

SCHOOL REPORTS

Cushing Academy does not check evaluative boxes on school reports or recommendations. All Cushing Academy recommendations are confidential.

DISCIPLINARY STATEMENT

At Cushing Academy, it is our expectation that students will respond truthfully to college and university application questions that require them to report any major disciplinary incidents. A member of the Cushing Academy College Counseling Office will follow up directly with the colleges. If such disciplinary measures occur after the submission of the initial application, Cushing will ask the student to report the information in a timely fashion and the school will send updated information about the incident to the college.

2020-2021 ACADEMIC OFFERINGS

Honors and AP courses listed in bold

ACADEMIC SUPPORT

Academic Support
Academic Coaching
Reading Skills
Math Skills
Advanced Reading & Writing

CLASSICAL & MODERN LANGUAGES

Spanish I
Spanish II/**Honors**
Spanish III/**Honors**
Honors Spanish IV/V Reading & Comprehension
Honors Spanish IV/V Conversation
AP Spanish Language
French I
French II
French III
Honors French IV
Honors French V
AP French
Latin I
Latin II
Latin III
Honors Latin IV
Honors Latin V
Ancient Greek
Mandarin Chinese I
Mandarin Chinese II
Mandarin Chinese III
Honors Mandarin Chinese IV
AP Chinese Language & Culture V

COMPUTER SCIENCE

AP Computer Science A

ENGLISH

Literature and Composition I/**Honors**
Literature and Composition II/**Honors**
American Literature
Fall Senior Seminars:
 Recognizing the Call
 Creative Writing
 The Family Portrait
 Dramatic Literature I
Spring Senior Seminar
 Island Experience
 21st Century Film and Literature
 Marginalized Voices
 Dramatic Literature II
 Contemporary Narratives
College English
AP Language and Composition
AP Literature and Composition

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

Beginning Intermediate Level (take all):
 Reading I
 Writing and Grammar
 Listening and Speaking
Advanced Intermediate Level (take all):
 Reading II
 Writing and Grammar
 Listening and Speaking
Advanced Level (take both):
 Literary Studies
 Composition & Grammar

HISTORY & SOCIAL SCIENCE

Foundations in World History/**Honors**
Roots of the Modern World/**Honors**
United States History/**Honors**
Fall Senior Seminars:
 Civil Society I: Principles of Democracy and Freedom
 International Relations
 Philosophy: History of Thought
 Psychology
Spring Senior Seminars:
 Civil Society II: Liberty and Civic Virtue
 Performance Psychology
AP Economics (Macro & Micro)
AP Psychology
AP United States History
AP United States Government and Politics
AP European History

MATHEMATICS

Algebra I
Topics in Geometry
Geometry/**Honors**
Algebra II Modified-A
Algebra II Modified-B
Algebra II/**Honors**
Introduction to Precalculus
Precalculus/**Honors**
Discrete Mathematics
Probability and Statistics
Calculus
AP Statistics
AP Calculus AB
AP Calculus BC
Multivariable Calculus

PERFORMING ARTS

Acting I
Advanced Acting & Directing
Music Theory
Chorus
Chamber Music
Jazz Ensemble
History of Jazz
Dance I/II
Dance II/III
Dance III/IV
Filmmaking

SCIENCE

Biology/**Honors**
Biology II: Anatomy and Physiology
Biology II: Ecological Studies
Chemistry/**Honors**
Conceptual Physics
Physics
Physical Science II: Engineering the Future
Advanced Engineering
Introduction to Sports Medicine
AP Biology
AP Chemistry
AP Physics I
AP Physics C: Mechanics and Electricity/ Magnetism

VISUAL ARTS

Ceramics
Advanced Ceramics
Photography
Advanced Photography
Architectural Design
Beginning Drawing
Advanced Painting & Drawing
Metalsmithing
Advanced Metalsmithing
Fused Glass
Advanced Fused Glass
Art Portfolio
Art History

Independent Studies available in various disciplines

COLLEGE MATRICULATION FOR THE CLASSES OF 2019 AND 2020

The University of Alabama *
 American University *
 Ana Maria College
 Arizona State University
 The University of Arizona *
 Assumption University
 Babson College *
 Bard College *
 Bentley University *
 Berklee College of Music
 Boston College *
 Boston University *
 Brandeis University *
 Brown University
 Bryn Mawr College
 Bucknell University *
 Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo
 University of California, Berkeley
 University of California, Davis
 University of California, Irvine *
 University of California, Los Angeles
 University of California, San Diego *
 University of California, Santa Barbara
 University of California, Santa Cruz
 Carnegie Mellon University
 Chapman University
 Cincinnati Christian University
 CIS - Endicott International, Spain
 City College of San Francisco
 Clark University *
 Clarkson University
 Clemson University
 Colby College
 Colgate University
 Colorado Mesa University
 Concordia University, Canada
 Connecticut College *
 Cornell University
 Curry College
 Denison University
 DePaul University
 Drew University *
 Drexel University
 Duquesne University
 Emerson College *
 Emmanuel College *
 Endicott College *
 Fairfield University
 Fashion Institute of Technology
 Fisher College
 Fitchburg State University
 Franklin and Marshall College
 Franklin Pierce University *
 George Mason University
 Hanover College
 High Point University
 Hobart William Smith Colleges
 College of the Holy Cross
 Huron University College, Canada
 Imperial College London, UK
 University of Indianapolis *
 University of Iowa
 Jacksonville University
 Lehigh University
 Loyola University New Orleans
 Macalester College
 University of Maine
 Marist College
 University of Massachusetts, Amherst *
 University of Massachusetts, Boston *
 University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth
 McGill University, Canada
 University of Miami
 Michigan State University
 Middlebury College
 University of Mississippi
 Montana State University
 Mount Holyoke College
 Mount Wachusett Community College
 University of Nevada, Reno
 University of New Hampshire
 New York Institute of Technology
 New York University *
 Northeastern University *
 Nova Southeastern University
 Pace University, New York *
 University of the Pacific
 Pennsylvania State University
 Pratt Institute *
 Princeton University
 Providence College *
 Queen's University, Canada
 Quinnipiac University *
 Regis College
 University of Rhode Island
 Ritsumeikan University, Japan
 Rochester Institute of Technology
 University of Rochester
 Roger Williams University *
 Rutgers University, Camden
 Rutgers University, New Brunswick *
 Sacred Heart University
 Saint Anselm College
 Saint Michael's College *
 Salem State University
 Salve Regina University *
 University of San Diego
 Savannah College of Art and Design
 Seneca College of Applied Arts & Technology,
 Canada
 Skidmore College *
 University of Southern California
 Southern Methodist University
 Springfield College
 St. Olaf College
 Stanford University
 Stonehill College
 Stony Brook University
 Suffolk University *
 Susquehanna University
 Syracuse University *
 The University of Tampa *
 Temple University
 Texas Christian University
 The New School
 University of Toronto, Canada *
 Trinity College *
 Tufts University
 Tulane University
 Ulster County Community College
 Union College *
 University of Utah
 Vanderbilt University
 University of Victoria, Canada
 Virginia Military Institute
 University of Washington *
 Wentworth Institute of Technology
 Wheaton College, Massachusetts

**Multiple matriculations*