



# 2025-2026 PROFILE

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Cushing Academy exists for students and develops curious, creative, and confident learners and leaders. Founded in 1865, Cushing is an independent, coeducational college preparatory boarding school located 60 miles northwest of Boston. We serve a wide range of students in grades 9-Post Graduate year.

The College Counseling Office holds membership in the National Association for College Admission Counseling (NACAC), the New England Association for College Admission Counseling (NEACAC), the Association of College Counselors in Independent Schools (ACCIS), and the Boston Independent Schools College Counseling Association (BISCCA)

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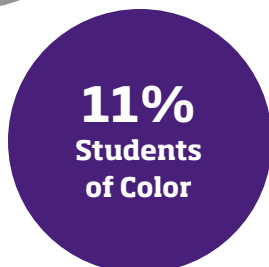
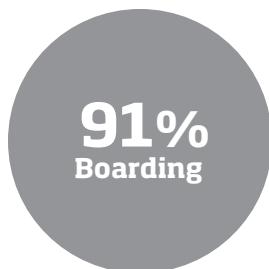
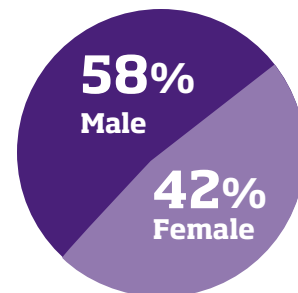
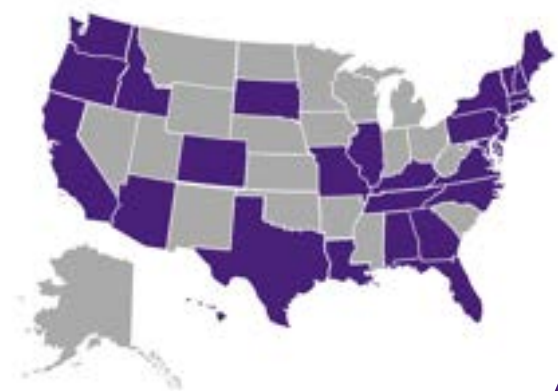
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## CUSHING BY THE NUMBERS

**393** students from **29** states and **28** countries



## CLASS OF 2025

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

**66%** attend college outside of Massachusetts

**4%** attend college outside the US

**76%** attend a private university

\*9% of the class of 2025 is pursuing junior hockey or a gap year prior to matriculation at a four-year college or university.

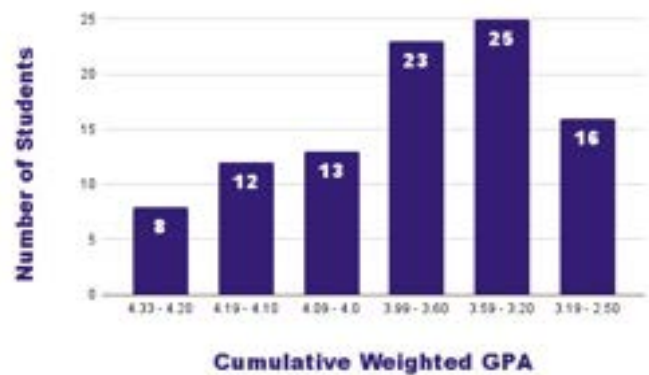
## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

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

\*or through Calculus

## RANK AND GPA

Cushing Academy does not rank its students. Below is the class of 2026 cumulative weighted Cushing Academy GPA distribution through June 2025. It does not include PGs or 1-year seniors.

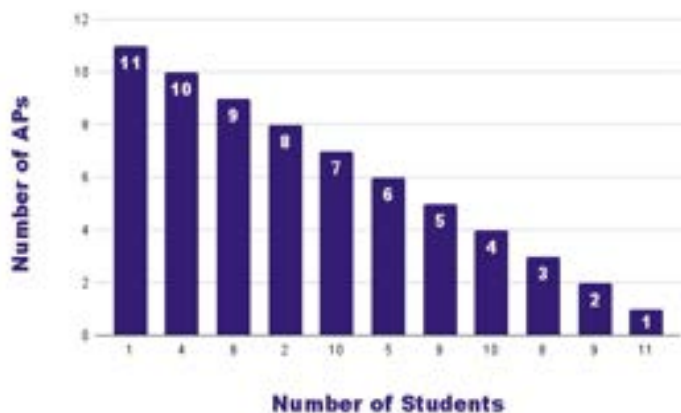


## STANDARDIZED TESTING

In the current climate of test-optional admissions policies, Cushing supports student choice in whether or not to submit scores as part of their application. As such, we do not provide testing information as part of our profile.

## AP TESTING INFORMATION

Though Cushing offers a wide range of AP options for students, it is relatively rare for 9th and 10th graders to engage in these courses. The following graph represents the distribution of numbers of AP courses taken by the Class of 2026 while at Cushing (includes registrations through September 2025). This data does not include PGs or 1-year seniors.



## 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 and Honors courses are weighted as follows: AP, Multivariable Calculus, & Linear Algebra +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.

## ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

Twenty-nine percent of the Cushing Academy student body hails from outside the United States. Roughly 4-6% of the student body participates in the English as a Second Language program. Courses are offered at the 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. Roughly 15-17% of the student body participates 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 those 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.

# 2025-2026 ACADEMIC OFFERINGS

All courses listed below are College Prep, Honors or AP level

Honors (21), AP (21), Multivariable Calculus, & Linear Algebra courses listed in bold (students must be recommended for these courses)

## CLASSICAL & MODERN LANGUAGES

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

## COMPUTER SCIENCE

Programming in Python  
**AP Computer Science Principles**  
**AP Computer Science A**

## ENGLISH

Literature and Composition I/**Honors**  
Literature and Composition II/**Honors**  
American Literature/**Honors**  
College English  
Fall Senior Seminars/**Honors**:  
African American Prose  
Creative Writing I  
Critical Approaches & Literary Theory  
Dramatic Literature I  
Recognizing the Call  
Spring Senior Seminars/**Honors**:  
Creative Writing II  
Dramatic Literature II  
Island Experience  
Life Stories: Memoirs, Essay, & Bio  
The Southern Gothic  
**AP Language & Composition**  
**AP Literature & Composition**

## ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

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

## HISTORY & SOCIAL SCIENCE

Foundations in World History/**Honors**  
Roots of the Modern World/ **Honors**  
United States History/**Honors**  
Fall Upper Level Seminars:  
Civil Society I: Principles of Democracy  
International Relations I  
Philosophy: History of Thought  
Psychology I  
Spring Upper Level Seminars:  
Civil Society II: Freedom, Liberty & Civic Virtue  
International Relations II  
Philosophy: Existence & Purpose  
Sociology I  
**AP Economics (Macro & Micro)**  
**AP European History**  
**AP Human Geography**  
**AP Psychology**  
**AP United States Government and Politics**  
**AP United States 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 Calculus AB**  
**AP Calculus BC**  
**AP Statistics**  
**Multivariable Calculus\***  
**Linear Algebra\***

\*Students must have successfully completed BC Calculus to enroll in either Multivariable Calculus or Linear Algebra

## PERFORMING ARTS

Acting I/II  
Advanced Acting & Directing Chamber Music  
C-Tones (chorus)  
Dance I/II  
Dance II/III  
Dance III/IV  
Filmmaking  
History of Jazz  
Jazz Ensemble  
Music Theory

## SCIENCE

Integrated Science  
Chemistry/**Honors**  
Biology/**Honors**  
Physics  
Physical Science II: Engineering the Future  
Biology II: Anatomy & Physiology  
Biology II: Ecological Studies  
Biology II: Kinesiology  
Health Sciences I  
Advanced Engineering  
**AP Biology**  
**AP Chemistry**  
**AP Physics I**  
**AP Physics C: Mechanics & Electricity/Magnetism**

## VISUAL ARTS

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

**Independent Studies available in various disciplines**

# FIVE YEAR COLLEGE MATRICULATION CLASSES 2021-2025

**Cushing Academy graduates have matriculated to the following colleges and universities over the past five years.**

## Tenor more graduates enrolled

**Bentley University**  
**Boston University**  
New York University  
**Northeastern University**  
Syracuse University

## Five to nine graduates enrolled

**Babson College**  
**Emerson College**  
**Endicott College**  
**Merrimack College**  
The New School  
**Union College**  
**U of Calif, Davis**  
**U of Ill at Urbana-Champaign**  
**U of Massachusetts, Amherst**  
**U of Massachusetts, Boston**  
University of New Hampshire  
University of Rochester  
**University of Vermont**  
University of Washington

## Twoto four graduates enrolled

American University  
**Assumption University**  
**Boston College**  
Brandeis University  
Brown University  
Bryant University  
Carnegie Mellon University  
Case Western Reserve Univ  
**Clark University**  
Clarkson University  
Colby College  
College of the Holy Cross  
Colorado College  
**Connecticut College**  
Cornell University  
Curry College  
Dickinson College  
**Eckerd College**  
Elon University  
Emory University  
Fairfield University  
**Fordham University**  
**Franciscan Univ of Steubenville**  
Franklin Pierce University  
**High Point University**  
Hobart and William Smith  
Hofstra University  
Howard University  
**Johnson & Wales University**  
**Keene State College**  
Lafayette College  
Lehigh University  
Long Island University, Post  
Loyola Marymount University

## **Lynn University**

McGill University, Canada  
Miami University, Oxford  
Middlebury College  
Mount Holyoke College  
**Providence College**  
Purdue University  
Quinnipiac University  
Rensselaer Polytechnic Inst  
Rhode Island College  
Rochester Inst of Technology  
**Saint Anselm College**  
Salisbury University  
**Santa Clara University**  
Savannah Coll of Art & Design  
Skidmore College  
**Southern New Hampshire Univ**  
Springfield College  
St. John's University  
**Stonehill College**  
Suffolk University  
Trinity College  
The George Washington Univ  
**The University of Tampa**  
University at Albany, SUNY  
**University of Arizona**  
**U of Calif, Berkeley**  
U of Calif, Irvine  
**U of Calif, Los Angeles**  
**U of Calif, San Diego**  
University of Colorado Boulder  
**University of Connecticut**  
University of Denver University  
of Maine  
**U of Massachusetts, Lowell**  
University of Miami  
University of New England  
University of Pittsburgh  
University of San Francisco  
U of Southern California  
University of St Andrews, UK  
**University of Toronto, Canada**  
U of Wisconsin, Madison  
Villanova University  
Wesleyan University  
**Western New England University**  
**Wheaton College**  
Worcester Polytechnic Institute

## One graduate enrolled

Adelphi University  
Allegheny College  
Amer Musical & Dramatic Acad  
Amherst College  
Arizona State University  
Art Center College of Design  
Barton College  
**Bates College**

Baylor University  
Bridgewater State University  
Cambridge Sch of Visual and Performing Arts, UK  
Cleveland State University  
**College of Charleston**  
Colorado State University  
Columbia College Chicago  
Commonwealth U of Penn  
Cumberland University  
Dartmouth College  
Dean College  
Drexel University  
Duke University  
**Duquesne University**  
**East Central University**  
Elmira College  
Emmanuel College  
**ESADE Business School, Spain**  
Florida Southern College  
Furman University  
Gardner-Webb University  
Gettysburg College  
**Hamilton College**  
Hampton University  
Harvard University  
IE University, Madrid  
Indiana University, Bloomington  
International Christian University, Japan  
Ithaca College  
Keio University, Japan  
King Mongkut's Inst of Tech Ladkrabang, Thailand  
King University  
Lawrence University  
Los Angeles College of Music  
Loughborough College, UK  
Loyola University Chicago  
Marist University  
Marquette University  
Marymount University  
Menlo College  
Michigan State University  
Midwestern State University  
**Minnesota State University, Mankato**  
Mitchell College  
Monmouth University  
**Montana State University**  
Muhlenberg College  
**Nichols College**  
Oberlin College  
The Ohio State University  
Pace University  
Pennsylvania State University  
Pepperdine University  
Point Loma Nazarene Univ  
Pratt Institute  
Purdue University, Fort Wayne  
Rhode Island School of Design  
Rice University

Roberts Wesleyan College  
Roger Williams University  
Rollins College  
Sacred Heart University  
Saint Francis University  
Salem State University  
Salve Regina University  
Scripps College  
Siena University  
Simmons University  
**Sonoma State University**  
**Southern Maine Comm College**  
**Southern Methodist University**  
Southern Utah University  
Springfield Tech Community College  
**St. Lawrence University**  
**Stevens Institute of Technology**  
Stevenson University  
Susquehanna University  
**Tecnológico de Monterrey, Mexico**  
The University of Montana  
The Univ of West Ontario, Canada  
Towson University  
Tufts University  
Tyler Junior College  
University of Akron  
University of Alabama  
University at Buffalo  
U of Calif, Santa Barbara  
U of Calif, Santa Cruz  
**University of Chicago**  
Univ of Michigan, Ann Arbor  
Univ of Minnesota, Twin Cities  
U of North Carolina, Charlotte  
University of Notre Dame  
**University of Pennsylvania**  
University of Rhode Island  
U of South Carolina, Columbia  
University of Southern Maine  
University of St. Thomas  
University of Stirling, UK  
**University of Virginia**  
University of Waterloo, Canada  
University of Windsor, Canada  
University of Wyoming  
Virginia Tech  
Washington Univ in St Louis  
Wellesley College  
Wentworth Inst of Technology  
Westfield State University  
Whitman College  
William & Mary  
**Worcester State University**

**Bolded schools:** One or more members of the Class of 2025 matriculated