

Application Guide 2025-2026

We understand that considering private schools is a complex process and appreciate that you are taking the time to explore Boston College High School. As we review each application, we take a comprehensive and holistic approach.

In addition to assessing each individual's academic record, standardized test scores, and recommendations, we look for the less tangible strengths as well — commitment to personal interests and activities, a positive outlook on life, and an eagerness to embrace a rigorous education. While the application process may seem daunting, we are committed to providing you and your family with support and guidance. Feel free to reach out to us for assistance.

Important Dates & Deadlines

	All Applicants - Grades 7 - 11 (Arrupe, High School & Transfer Students)
Application Due	January 15, 2026
Financial Aid Application Due	January 15, 2026
Decision Notification	March 10, 2026
Enrollment Deposit Deadline	April 10, 2026

Enrollment Application Requirements

Along with many private schools, BC High utilizes Ravenna as the system that provides a common approach to the application process. In order to begin your application, please create a Ravenna account by visiting www.ravenna-hub.com or use the QR code below. You will be able to submit all materials through your Ravenna account. The following items should be submitted by the appropriate deadline date.

All Applicants Must Submit:

- Student Application
- · Parent/Guardian Questionnaire
- School Report Form
- Official School Transcript
- English Teacher Recommendation
- Math Teacher Recommendation
- Grade 7 & 8: Standardized test scores (ISEE or SSAT both middle level)
- Grade 9: Standardized test scores (HSPT, ISEE or SSAT all upper level)
- Grade 9 only: Required to meet with an Enrollment Director
- Grade 10 & 11: Standardized test scores taken the current year from one of the following: ISEE, SSAT, PSAT, SAT, or ACT



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Understanding Each Enrollment Requirement

Student Application

This should be completed by the student applicant. This form allows the Enrollment Committee to learn more about your background, interests, and desire to attend BC High.

Parent/Guardian Questionnaire

This should be completed by the parent or guardian of the applicant. The questionnaire provides the Enrollment Committee with an important viewpoint from someone who knows you best.

School Report

This form should be submitted to the school official who is responsible for preparing and releasing student records — most often the school principal or guidance counselor. This report will provide the Enrollment Committee with a summary of your school history and academic performance.

Official School Transcript

Your school should submit an official transcript that includes courses and grades from the previous two years including any available grades from the current school year. A parent or guardian must complete the Transcript Release Form in Ravenna in order for the school to submit the paperwork.

English Recommendation

Your current English teacher should complete this recommendation. This will help the Enrollment Committee garner a strong understanding of your strength in critical thinking, reading, oral comprehension, vocabulary, writing, and grammar.

Math Recommendation

Your current math teacher should complete this recommendation. This will help the Enrollment Committee to understand your work ethic, motivation, classroom presence, and character traits.

Entrance Interview - All Grade 9 Applicants

Standardized Tests

You will need to submit official results from standardized exams. Applicants for Grades 7 and 8 must submit results from the Independent School Entrance Exam or Secondary School Enrollment Test (ISEE or SSAT- both middle levels). Please note that the exam does not need to be taken at BC High, but results must be received by the appropriate application deadline.

All Grade 9 applicants must submit results from the High School Placement Test (HSPT) with a writing sample, ISEE or SSAT upper level test. Only one entrance exam is required. Please note that the exam does not need to be taken at BC High, but results must be received by the appropriate application deadline.

Transfer applicants for Grades 10 and 11 must submit test results taken within the current year from one of the following: ISEE, SSAT, PSAT, SAT, or ACT.

Tests Offered at BC High

High School Placement Test (HSPT)

Test Dates: November 22, December 13

This test will be administered at BC High. Online registration is available on the Scholastic Testing Service website. Our school code is 506. For those who require extended time, please register for the Nov. 22 date. Students can only take the HSPT once.

Secondary School Admission Test (SSAT)

Test Date: December 13

The SSAT will be administered at BC High. To register for the SSAT, <u>visit https://ssat.org/</u>. Please ensure that test scores are sent to BC High by January 15, 2026. Our school code is 1756. Students can take the SSAT more than once.

Independent School Entrance Exam (ISEE)

Test Dates: November 22, December 6, January 10

The ISEE will be administered at BC High. To register for the ISEE, please visit www.erblearn.org. Our school code is 220180. For those who require extended time, please register for the Nov. 22 date. Students can take the ISEE more than once based on ISEE criteria.

Each year, eligible applicants may qualify to receive financial assistance. To apply, a parent/guardian must complete a financial aid application by visiting www.bchigh.edu/enrollment/investing-in-your-child and clicking on "Apply for Financial Aid." Applications are due with the application and awards will accompany decision letters. Financial aid applications submitted after the application deadlines will not be considered until late spring. Families must use the 2024 tax forms and W2s in order to complete the financial aid application accurately. If you have questions regarding this process, please contact Donna Simonelli, Associate Enrollment Director and Financial Aid Manager, at dsimonelli@bchigh.edu.