

BOSTON COLLEGE

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MISSION STATEMENT

Boston College High School is a Jesuit, Catholic, all male, college preparatory school. We challenge our students to become young men of integrity, educated in faith and for justice, committed to academic excellence and service to others. We strive to reflect the diversity of our church and community. Our mission since 1863 has been to form leaders of competence, conscience, and compassion who seek to do all things “ad maiorem Dei gloriam,” for the greater glory of God.

THE SCHOOL

Boston College High School’s 40-acre campus is located on Dorchester Bay. Students are drawn from approximately 100 cities and towns with close to a third coming from urban areas. Our unique House system places students in one of 12 Houses, where their whole person is supported by a Head of House, a counselor, and an advisor.

Our five Centers of Human Excellence empower students to develop their gifts in service to others. The Centers of Human Excellence Certificate Programs provide an opportunity for students to take ownership of their learning, engage with a topic of interest, and pursue a project in depth through courses, reflection, and experiential learning. Earned certificates are noted on students’ transcripts.

BC High’s athletics are considered among the best in the region and country, with multiple teams competing for state championships each year. Teams are frequently recognized in multiple major local and national publications. More than 50 student-athletes have gone on to compete at the next level in the last two years alone.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

By graduation, students complete 75+ hours of service work in their own communities, at BC High, and in both urban and rural settings domestically and abroad. This experience is essential as our students learn to be “men for and with others.”

THE GRADING SYSTEM

Starting with the Class of 2026, BC High will be moving to an unweighted GPA for all students. This will be reflected on all transcripts moving forward, and will also be noted on letters of recommendation

A	4.00	B	3.00	C	2.00	D	1.00
A-	3.67	B-	2.67	C-	1.67	E	0.00
B+	3.33	C+	2.33	D+	1.33		

CLASS RANK

In light of Boston College High School’s selective admission policy and rigorous curriculum, the school does not rank its students.

CLASS OF 2026

There are 280 students in this year’s senior class. The total enrollment for our 7th and 8th grade Arrupe Division is 267. The total enrollment for our high school is 1,068.

THE ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Successful completion of 25 credits is required for graduation. They must include:

English (4)	Math (3)	Science (3)	Fine Arts (1.25)
Foreign Language (3)	Theology (3.5)	Social Studies (3)	Health and Wellness (1)

In an effort to educate the whole student, a change in Theology requirements has allowed students to select courses from expanded Fine Arts and Health and Wellness offerings. Also, students are required to complete one course designated diversity, equity, and inclusion.

COLLEGE LEVEL COURSES (CL)

There is a college level course offered in Greek, Latin, French, and Mathematics. Homeric Academy CL is for advanced study since there is no AP course offered in Greek. Latin V CL, French V CL, and Multivariable Calculus are post-AP courses.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES (AP)

Admission to AP courses is by recommendation and highly competitive.

Biology	French Language & Culture	Spanish Language & Culture
Calculus AB	Human Geography	Statistics
Calculus BC	Latin	Studio Art: Drawing
Chemistry	Macroeconomics	Studio Art: 2D Design
Chinese Language & Culture	Microeconomics	United States History
Computer Science A	Modern World History	US Government & Politics
English Language & Comp	Music Theory	
English Literature & Comp	Physics 1	
Environmental Science	Physics 2	
European History	Physics C Mechanics	

HONORS LEVEL COURSES (H)

Admission is by recommendation and is very selective. Honors courses are offered in most subjects except for Theology. Freshman students are only offered honors courses in mathematics and foreign language. English Honors is not offered to seniors.

THEOLOGICAL STUDIES COURSES

Students are required to take a theology course each year. Greek III-H can be taken to fulfill the fourth-year requirement. The curriculum for the theology classes is as demanding as other courses offered. Therefore, we encourage all colleges to include the student’s theology grades when factoring a grade point average.

STANDARDIZED TESTS

Mean ACT scores for BC High seniors:

YEAR	COMPOSITE
2024-2025	27

Mean SAT scores for BC High seniors:

YEAR	COMBINED
2024-2025	1,217

ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMINATIONS

In 2025, 518 students took 1,270 exams in 29 subjects; 80% of the scores were 3 or higher; 50% of the scores were 4 or higher. Students enrolled in AP courses are required to take the exam.

CLASS OF 2025 – ACCEPTING COLLEGES

Typically, 98% of the students attend four year colleges - *indicates attending

Aberystwyth University	Florida International University	Orange Coast College*	University of Delaware
Alfred University	Florida Southern College	Oregon State University	University of Denver*
American International College	Fordham University*	Oxford Brookes University	University of Dundee
American University	Framingham State University	Pace University	University of Florida
Amherst College*	Franklin Pierce University	Pennsylvania State University*	University of Galway*
Arizona State University*	Full Sail University*	Plymouth State University	University of Georgia
Assumption University	Furman University	Post University*	University of Glasgow
Auburn University	Garden City Community College	Providence College*	University of Hartford
Babson College*	George Mason University	Purdue University	University of Iowa
Bard College	George Washington University*	Quinnipiac University	University of Kentucky
Barry University	Georgetown University*	Regis College*	University of Limerick*
Bates College*	Georgia Institute of Technology*	Regis University	University of Maine
Bennington College	Georgia Southern University	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	University of Mary Washington
Bentley University*	Gonzaga University	Rochester Institute of Technology*	University of Maryland*
Berklee College of Music*	Hampshire College	Roger Williams University*	University of Massachusetts (Amherst)*
Binghamton University	Harvard University*	Rollins College	University of Massachusetts (Boston)*
Boston College*	High Point University	Royal Conservatoire of Scotland	University of Massachusetts (Dartmouth)
Boston University*	Hobart and William Smith Colleges*	Rutgers University*	University of Massachusetts (Lowell)*
Bowdoin College*	Howard University	Sacred Heart University*	University of Miami*
Brandeis University*	Indiana University*	Saint Anselm College*	University of Michigan*
Bridgewater State University*	Iona University	Saint Joseph's College of Maine	University of Mississippi
Brown University*	Iowa State University	Saint Joseph's University*	University of New England
Bryant University*	Iowa Western Community College	Saint Louis University*	University of New Hampshire*
Bucknell University*	Ithaca College*	Saint Michael's College	University of New Haven
Butler Community College	Jacksonville University	Salem State University	University of North Carolina (Chapel Hill)*
California State University (Monterey Bay)	James Madison University	Salve Regina University	University of North Carolina (Charlotte)
Carnegie Mellon University	John Carroll University*	San Diego State University	University of Notre Dame*
Case Western Reserve University*	Johnson & Wales University	Santa Clara University*	University of Oklahoma
Catholic University of America	Keene State College	Savannah College of Art and Design	University of Oregon
Central Connecticut State University	Kent State University	Seton Hall University	University of Pennsylvania*
Champlain College	Lasell University	Siena College	University of Pittsburgh
Chapman University	Le Moyne College	Skidmore College	University of Rhode Island*
Citadel Military College of South Carolina	Lehigh University	Snow College	University of Richmond*
Claremont McKenna College	Lewis & Clark College	Southern Methodist University*	University of Rochester*
Clark Atlanta University	London Academy of Music and Dramatic Arts*	Southern New Hampshire University	University of San Diego
Clark University	Long Island University	Springfield College*	University of San Francisco
Clarkson University	Louisiana State University*	St. John's University	University of Scranton*
Clemson University*	Loyola Marymount University*	Stonehill College*	University of South Carolina
Coastal Carolina University*	Loyola University Chicago*	Suffolk University*	University of Southern California*
Colby College*	Loyola University Maryland*	Syracuse University*	University of St Andrews
Colby-Sawyer College	Loyola University New Orleans	Temple University	University of Stirling
Colgate University	Macalester College	Texas A&M University	University of Utah
College of Charleston*	Marist University	Texas Christian University*	University of Vermont*
College of the Holy Cross*	Marquette University*	The Ohio State University	University of Virginia
Colorado College	Marymount Manhattan College	The University of Alabama*	University of Washington
Colorado School of Mines*	Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts	The University of Edinburgh	University of Wisconsin
Colorado State University (Fort Collins)	Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences*	The University of Tampa*	Vassar College
Columbia University*	Massachusetts Maritime Academy*	The University of Tennessee*	Villanova University*
Connecticut College*	Massasoit Community College*	The University of Texas at Austin*	Virginia Commonwealth University
CUNY Bernard M Baruch College	Maynooth University	Trinity College*	Virginia Polytechnic Institute*
Curry College	McGill University*	Tufts University*	Voorhees University*
Dartmouth College*	McPherson College	Tulane University*	Wake Forest University*
Dean College	Mercy University	Union College*	Washington University in St. Louis*
Denison University	Merrimack College	United States Air Force Academy	Wentworth Institute of Technology*
DePaul University*	Miami University (Oxford)*	United States Military Academy at West Point*	Western New England University
Dickinson College*	Michigan State University	United States Naval Academy	Westfield State University
Drexel University	Middlebury College*	University at Albany	Wheaton College - MA
Dublin City University	Montana State University	University College Cork	Whitman College
Duke Kunshan University (China)	Morehouse College	University College Dublin	William & Mary*
Eckerd College	Morgan State University	University of Aberdeen	Williams College
Elon University*	New England College	University of Arizona	Worcester Polytechnic Institute*
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University*	New Jersey Institute of Technology	University of California (Berkeley)	Worcester State University
Emerson College*	New York University*	University of California (Davis)	Xavier University*
Emmanuel College*	Nichols College	University of California (Irvine)	Xavier University of Louisiana
Endicott College	North Carolina State University	University of California (Los Angeles)*	Yale University
Fairfield University*	Northeastern University*	University of California (San Diego)*	York College of Pennsylvania
Fairleigh Dickinson University	Norwich University	University of California (Santa Barbara)	
Fisher College	Oberlin College	University of Chicago	
Fitchburg State University	Ohio Wesleyan University	University of Cincinnati	
Florida Atlantic University	Old Dominion University	University of Colorado Boulder*	
Florida Gulf Coast University		University of Connecticut*	
Florida Institute of Technology*			