

BOSTON COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL

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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 majorem Dei gloriam," for the greater glory of God.

THE SCHOOL

The 40 acre campus is located on Dorchester Bay. Students are drawn from approximately seventy cities and towns with 30% coming from urban areas. *Sports Illustrated* ranked BC High's athletic program #9 in the country and #1 in New England, reflecting the highly competitive nature of making a sports team. BC High's Hyde Center for Global Education allows for academic, cultural and service opportunities in countries such as Argentina, Belize, China, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, England, France, Guatemala, India, Ireland, Italy, Rwanda, Scotland and Tanzania.

COVID-19 STATEMENT (Abbreviated version - please see Common App for full statement)

BC High transitioned to virtual learning on March 16, 2020, immediately following the mandatory state shutdown of schools in Massachusetts. Students attended all of their classes using Zoom and met daily in seven class periods. From 3/16/20 to 6/04/20, a grading scale of A-E was utilized, and GPA was computed using the following:

Q1: 20 points (26.66% of final grade); Q2: 20 points (26.66% of final grade); Exam: 10 points (13.33% of final grade); Sem 2: 25 points (33.33% of final grade). Final grades were calculated out of 75 points.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

By the time they graduate, students complete 95 hours of supervised community service work. In line with Jesuit educational philosophy, students reflect on their experience through group discussion and personal essays.

THE GRADING SYSTEM

The average is a weighted average reflecting the number of classes per week. A premium of .5 is added for those in Honors courses and 1.0 for A.P. and College Level courses. The equivalency grades are:

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 2021

There are 304 students in this year's senior class. The total enrollment of our 7th and 8th grade Arrupe Division is 265. The total enrollment for our high school is 1132.

THE ACADEMIC PROGRAM

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

English (4)	Math (3)	Science (3)	Fine Arts (1)
Foreign Language (3)	Religious Education (4)	Social Studies (3)	

COLLEGE LEVEL COURSES (CL)

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

ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES (AP)

Admission to AP courses is by recommendation and highly competitive.

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

HONORS LEVEL COURSES (H)

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

RELIGIOUS STUDIES COURSES

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

STANDARDIZED TESTS

Mean ACT scores for BC High seniors:

YEAR	COMPOSITE
2019-2020	27

Mean SAT I scores for BC High seniors:

YEAR	READING & WRITING	MATH	COMBINED
2019-2020	629	631	1259

ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMINATIONS

In 2020, 570 students took 1218 exams in 28 subjects; 77% of the scores were 3 or higher; 49% of the scores were 4 or higher. Students enrolled in AP classes are required to take the exam.

CLASS OF 2020 – ACCEPTING COLLEGES

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

Adelphi University	Drexel University*	University of MA Lowell*	Salve Regina University*
University of Alabama	Duke University*	MA College of Pharm/Hlth Sci*	University of San Diego
American Int'l College	Eastern Nazarene College	MA Maritime Academy*	San Diego State University
American University*	Eckerd College	Massasoit Community College*	University of San Francisco*
American University of Paris*	Elon University	McGill University	Santa Clara University*
Amherst College*	Embry-Riddle Aero. University	Mercyhurst University	Savannah College of Art/Design
Anna Maria College	Emerson College	Merrimack College*	Seton Hall University
University of Arizona	Emmanuel College	University of Miami	Siena College
Arizona State University*	Endicott College*	Miami University	University of South Carolina
Assumption University*	Fairfield University*	University of Michigan*	University of South Florida*
Auburn University*	Fisher College	Michigan State University	University of Southern California
Babson College*	Florida Atlantic University*	Middlebury College	Southern Methodist University
Bates College*	Fordham University*	Montana State University	Southern New Hampshire Univ.
Baylor University	Framingham State University	Muhlenberg College*	St. Lawrence University
Becker College	Furman University*	University of New England	St. Olaf College*
Belmont Abbey College	Gannon University*	New England College	St. John's University*
Bentley University*	University of Georgia	University of New Hampshire*	Stevens Institute of Technology
Blinn College	George Washington University*	University of New Haven*	Stonehill College*
Boston College*	Georgetown University*	New York Institute of Technology	Studio School Los Angeles
Boston University*	Georgia Institute of Technology*	New York University	Suffolk University*
Bowdoin College*	Gettysburg College	Nichols College	Swarthmore College
Brandeis University	Gonzaga University	University of North Carolina	Syracuse University*
Bridgewater State University	Hamilton College*	Northeastern University*	University of Tampa*
Bryant University*	University of Hartford	Northwestern University*	Temple University
Bucknell University	Harvard College*	Norwich University*	University of Tennessee
Bunker Hill Community College*	High Point University	University of Notre Dame*	Texas A&M*
Caldwell University	Hiram College	The Ohio State University*	Texas Christian University*
University of California, LA*	Hobart & William Smith Colleges*	Old Dominion University	Trinity College*
University of California, San Diego	Hofstra University	Olin College of Engineering	Tufts University*
Canisius College	Howard University	University of Oregon	Tulane University*
Case Western Reserve	University of Illinois	Oregon State University	Union College
The Catholic University*	Indiana University*	Pace University	US Military Academy
Champlain College*	Iona College	Pennsylvania State University*	University of Utah
University of Chicago	Iowa State University	University of Pittsburgh	Universiteit van Amsterdam
Clarkson University	Ithaca College	Plymouth State University	Vanderbilt University*
Clemson University*	James Madison University	Providence College*	Vassar College
Coastal Carolina University	John Carroll University	Purdue University	University of Vermont*
Colby College	Kenyon College	Quinnipiac University*	Villanova University*
Colby-Sawyer College	Lafayette College*	Quinsigamond Com. College*	University of Virginia*
Colgate University*	Lasell University	Reed College	Virginia Tech
College of Charleston	Le Moyne College*	Regis College	Wagner College
University of College Cork*	Lehigh University*	Regis University	Wake Forest University
University College Dublin	Lesley University	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute*	Walsh University
College of the Holy Cross*	Lewis & Clark College	University of Rhode Island*	University of Washington
University of Colorado at Boulder*	Lewis University	University of Richmond	Wentworth Institute of Tech*
Colorado Mesa University	University of Limerick	University of Rochester	Western Michigan University
Colorado State University	Lindenwood University*	Rochester Institute of Tech.*	Westfield State University*
Columbia College	Loyola Marymount University*	Roger Williams University*	Westminster College
Columbia University*	Loyola University Chicago*	Rollins College	Wheaton College
University of Connecticut*	Loyola University Maryland*	Rutgers University	William and Mary*
Connecticut College*	Loyola University New Orleans*	Sacred Heart University*	Williams College
Creighton University*	University of Maine*	University of Saint Andrews	University of Wisconsin
Curry College	Manhattan College	Saint Anselm College*	The College of Wooster
University of Dallas	Marist College	Saint Joseph's College	Worcester Polytechnic Institute*
Dartmouth College*	Marquette University*	Saint Joseph's University	Worcester State University
University of Dayton	University of Maryland*	Saint Louis University*	Xavier University*
Dean College	Marymount Manhattan	Saint Michael's College*	Yale University*
University of Delaware	University of MA Amherst*	Saint Peter's University	
Denison University	University of MA Boston*	Salem State University	
Dickinson College	University of MA Dartmouth	Salisbury University*	