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# 2024-2025 PROFILE

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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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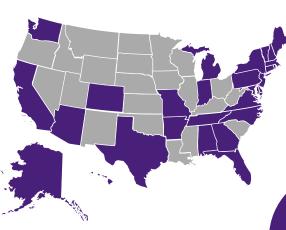
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# **CUSHING BY THE NUMBERS** 389 students from 27 states and 27 countries



International

29%

28% from Massachusetts 56% Male

> 44% Female

Seniors and **Post-Graduates** 

96

93% Boarding

**Financial Aid** 

11% **Students** of Color

# **CLASS OF 2024**

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

**79%** attend college outside of Massachusetts

5% attend college outside the US

**76%** attend a private university

\*8% of the class of 2024 is pursuing junior hockey or a gap year prior to matriculation at a four-year college or university.

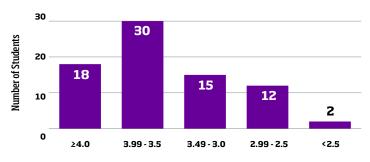
# **GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

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

<sup>\*</sup>or through Calculus

# **RANK AND GPA**

Cushing Academy does not rank its students. Below is the class of 2025 cumulative weighted Cushing Academy GPA distribution through June 2024. It does not include PGs or 1-year seniors.



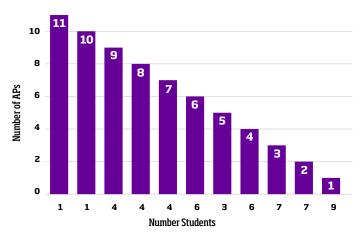
**Cumulative Weighted Cushing Academy GPA** 

# 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 exceptions are often students who are accelerated in math and/or have reclassified their enrollment at Cushing). The following graph represents the distribution of numbers of AP courses taken by the Class of 2025 while at Cushing (includes registrations through August 2024). 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 and Multivariable Calculus +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 for school year 2024-2025.

# **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.

# 2024-2025 ACADEMIC OFFERINGS

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

Honors (19), AP (21) and Multivariable Calculus 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:** 

African American Prose

Creative Writing I

Critical Approaches & Literary Theory

Dramatic Literature I

Recognizing the Call

**Spring Senior Seminar:** 

**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 (students must have

successfully completed BC Calculus to enroll)

#### 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

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

# COLLEGE MATRICULATION FOR THE CLASSES OF 2023 AND 2024

Adelphi University Allegheny College

American Musical and Dramatic Academy

American University \*
Arizona State University
Assumption University \*

Babson College \*
Bentley University \*
Boston College
Boston University \*
Brandeis University \*
Brock University, Canada
Brown University \*
Bryant University \*

Carnegie Mellon University Case Western Reserve University Ciências Médicas de Minas Gerais, Brazil

Clarkson University
Colby College \*
Colorado College \*
Colorado State University
Connecticut College
Cornell University

Dean College
Duke University
Elon University \*
Endicott College \*
Florida Southern College

Franciscan University of Steubenville

Franklin Pierce University \*

Furman University
Gardner-Webb University
Gettysburg College
Hampton University
High Point University \*

Hobart and William Smith Colleges \*

Howard University \*

International Christian University, Japan Johnson & Wales University, Providence

Keio University, Japan King University Lafayette College Lawrence University

Los Angeles College of Music

Loughborough College, UK

**Loyola Marymount University** 

Lynn University

McGill University, Canada \*
Merrimack College \*
Miami University, Oxford \*
Michigan State University

Milton Campos Law School, Brazil

Mount Holyoke College \*
New York University \*
Northeastern University \*
Pennsylvania State University

**Pepperdine University** 

**Point Loma Nazarene University** 

Providence College
Purdue University \*
Quinnipiac University \*

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute \*
Rhode Island School of Design
Roberts Wesleyan College

Rochester Institute of Technology

**Roger Williams University** 

Rollins College Saint Anselm College Salisbury University \* Santa Clara University

Savannah College of Art and Design Southern New Hampshire University \*

Springfield College Stevenson University Suffolk University \* Susquehanna University Syracuse University \*

The George Washington University \*

The New School \*

The Ohio State University
The University of Tampa

The University of Western Ontario, Canada

Towson University
Trinity College

University at Albany, SUNY

University of Akron
University of Arizona \*

University of California, Berkeley
University of California, Davis \*
University of California, Irvine
University of California, San Diego \*
University of Colorado Boulder \*
University of Connecticut

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign \*

**University of Maine** 

University of Massachusetts, Amherst \*
University of Massachusetts, Boston \*
University of Massachusetts, Lowell

University of Miami \*

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

University of Montana
University of New England \*
University of New Hampshire \*

University of North Carolina, Charlotte

University of Notre Dame University of Pittsburgh \* University of Rhode Island University of Rochester \* University of San Francisco

University of South Carolina, Columbia

University of St Andrews, UK
University of St Thomas
University of Stirling, UK
University of Toronto, Canada
University of Vermont \*
University of Washington \*
University of Windsor, Canada
University of Wisconsin, Madison

Villanova University \*

Washington University in St Louis Wentworth Institute of Technology

Wesleyan University \*

Western New England University \*
Wheaton College, Massachusetts
Worcester Polytechnic Institute