

School Profile

2021-2022



Hopkins is a traditional, independent, gender-inclusive day school of 715 students in grades 7–12. The third oldest independent school in the country, Hopkins School has a distinguished history that spans more than 360 years. Located on a 108-acre campus overlooking New Haven, the School takes pride in its distinguished faculty and dedicated staff.

THE COMMUNITY

Admission to Hopkins is very competitive: most applicants score above the 75th percentile on standardized entrance exams. Hopkins seeks highly self-motivated and diverse students whose talents and intellectual curiosity will enable them to take advantage of the challenging curriculum and rich resources offered by the School.

PURPOSE AND VALUES

We define ourselves as a community of civility and learning, one that educates students from diverse backgrounds to a full measure of their talents and humanity.

STATEMENT ON COVID-19

Throughout the pandemic, Hopkins School continued to use letter grades to assess students' engagement and progress in each class, so our transcript format is unchanged.

Enrollment Total Enrollment 715 Students of Color 41% Cities, towns, villages represented 60 Financial Aid Students receiving financial aid 25% 184 Number of awards \$29,544 Average financial aid award Total financial aid awarded \$5,436,020 Faculty Total Faculty 138 Faculty of color 14% Advanced degrees 82% Teaching faculty-to-student ratio 1:7 12 Average class size

GRADING/RANK

Hopkins grades on an A through F scale, with plus and minus gradations. Mid-year School Reports will be sent to colleges in early February. As a matter of school policy, Hopkins does not compute a grade point average, nor does it rank.

PASS/D/FAIL

In 2007, Hopkins instituted a Pass/D/Fail option for seniors. Since then, approximately 75% of Hopkins seniors have taken part. Students entering Grade 12 are encouraged to consider taking one course on a Pass/D/Fail basis. AP courses may be taken Pass/D/Fail, as long as the student meets the regular requirements for admittance; however, no graduation requirement can be taken on a Pass/D/Fail basis. Students must complete all the course requirements and must maintain a grade of at least C- to achieve a "Pass." Once seniors have elected to take a course Pass/D/Fail, they cannot rescind their decision.

Hopkins School reaffirms its longstanding nondiscriminatory policy and admits students of any religion, race or national origin to all rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at Hopkins School, and further states that Hopkins School does not discriminate on the basis of religion, race, sexual orientation or national origin in the administration of its educational policies, scholarship, athletic and other school-administered programs.



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ACCREDITATION & MEMBERSHIPS

Hopkins School is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, abides by NACAC's Code of Ethics and Professional Practices and is a member of the following:

- National Association of Independent Schools
- Connecticut Association of Independent Schools
- National Association of College Admission Counseling
- Association of College Counselors in Independent Schools
- The College Board
- Secondary School Admission Test Board
- The Cum Laude Society
- Malone Schools Online Network (MSON)



THE CURRICULUM

All courses are taught at an honors-comparable level. The academic program is challenging, requiring students to utilize skills in critical reading, clear and precise writing, conceptual thinking, factual mastery, and an involved classroom presence. Excluding AP offerings, course leveling is primarily limited to math and language.

Students elect between four and a half and five courses each semester, each worth one-half credit, to complete the minimum of eighteen credits required for graduation. For graduation, students must earn at least 4 credits in English, 3 credits in one modern or classic language, 3 credits in math beyond elementary algebra, 2 credits in lab science, 2.5 credits in history, 1.5 credits in art, and 3 credits in other academic electives. Students must also participate in four years of athletics.

Hopkins Authentic Research Program in Science (HARPS)

HARPS is a yearlong hands-on course that provides students with an opportunity to learn essential laboratory techniques in the hard sciences. Our state-of-the-art campus facility allows students to engage in authentic scientific research and experimental design using equipment such as the Spectramax multi-mode micro plate reader and Biorad ChemiDoc MP imaging system. Additionally, students use an in-house, student-constructed magneto-optic Kerr effect device (MOKE). This course has limited capacity, is selective, and offered only to students in 11th grade.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT INFORMATION

CLASS OF 2022

Number of AP courses taken as juniors:			Number of AP courses taken as seniors:		
Courses	Students	% of total	Courses	Students	% of total
0	14	9%	0	7	5%
0.5 or 1	30	21%	0.5 or 1	18	13%
1.5 or 2	61	43%	1.5 or 2	48	34%
2.5 or more	37	27%	2.5 or more	67	48%

AP Course Enrollment & Results From Junior Year

Students taking one or more AP courses	88%
Students taking one or more AP exams	84%
Students earning 3 or above on AP exams	92%
Students earning 4 or 5 on AP exams	80%

Advanced Placement Classes

Classics	Science		
AP Latin: Vergil and Caesar	AP Biology		
Math	AP Chemistry		
AP Calculus (AB, BC)	AP Environmental Science		
AP Statistics	AP Physics 1 & AP Physics		
	AP Physics C: Mechanics		
Modern Languages	AP Physics C: Electricity		
AP Chinese Language & Culture	and Magnetism		
AP French Language & Culture	and magnetism		
AP Italian Language & Culture	Arts		

AP Spanish Language & Culture AP Art History AP Spanish Literature & Culture AP Music Theory **Computer Science**

AP Computer Science Principles

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Enrollment in AP courses is subject to departmental approval and is reserved primarily for juniors and seniors. Because of the pace and level of difficulty of these courses, students are advised not to enroll in more than 3 AP courses during any given year. Data below reflect information for the Class of 2021. Students are not required to take AP exams.

ADVANCED CLASSES

Note that courses designated as Honors are available to students who have completed the AP level as a prerequisite.

Classics

Latin Honors Seminar

Modern Languages Chinese 2, 3 Enriched Chinese Honors Seminar French 2, 3 Enriched French Honors Seminar Italian 5 Honors Spanish 2, 3 Enriched Spanish Honors Seminar

Science

Chemistry Accelerated

Algebra 1 Enriched Geometry Enriched Algebra 2 Enriched Algebra 2 Accelerated Precalculus Enriched Precalculus Accelerated Topics in Intermediate Calculus Honors Linear Algebra Honors Multivariable Calculus Honors Math Seminar Honors

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLAR RECOGNITION (Class of 2021)

43% of the class has been identified by the National Merit Corporation with the following designations:

- National Merit Scholarship Winners
- National Merit Finalists
- National Merit Semifinalists 8
- 36 National Merit Commended
- National African American Recognition Program Scholars
- National Hispanic Recognition Program Scholars

STANDARDIZED TESTING INFORMATION (Class of 2021)

SAT Score Ranges

Social Science/History

AP United States History

AP European History AP Human Geography (1 semester)

> 82 students took the SAT Middle 50%: 1360-1530

ACT Score Ranges

79 students took the ACT Middle 50%: 31-34