



School Profile

2019–2020



Concord Academy is an independent, coeducational boarding and day school known for innovative and personalized teaching that supports a wide-as-you-can-dream curriculum. Our rigorous approach to the sciences, arts, and humanities is infused with opportunities for intellectual growth, experimentation, and hands-on learning.

Academics are at the core of the Concord Academy experience, as is a genuine love of learning. Through club meetings held over dinner, athletic competitions, global field trips, and collaborative projects, we see, challenge, and encourage each student for who they are and who they can become. In partnership with accomplished faculty, CA graduates passionate students with the skills and values to make a meaningful difference in our world.

OUR MISSION

We are a community animated by love of learning, diverse and striving for equity, with common trust as our foundation.

Honoring each individual, we challenge and expand our understanding of ourselves and the world through purposeful collaboration and creative engagement.

We cultivate empathy, integrity, and responsibility to build a more just and sustainable future.

Founded 1922
Location Concord, Mass.
Campus Size 39 acres
Grades 9–12
Students 395
Faculty 66

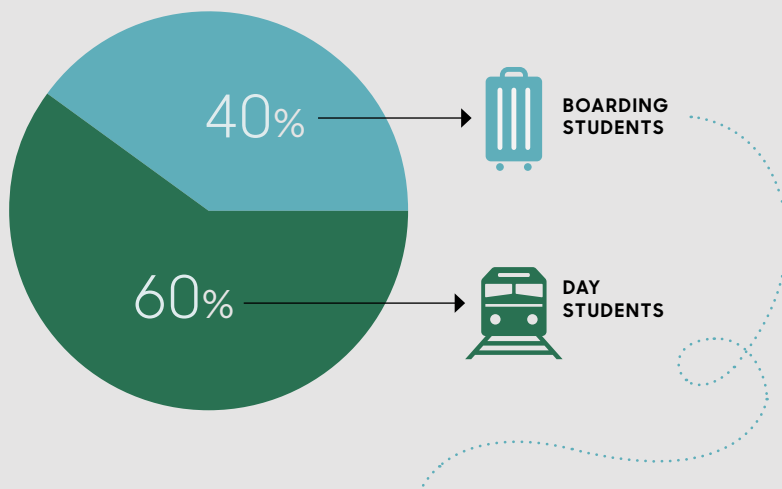
The chameleon first appeared in a 1920's Concord Academy art and literary magazine. Since then, the chameleon has become a powerful symbol of adaptability — a value that our alumnae/i carry with them into our rapidly changing world.



Since our founding in 1922, the world has changed dramatically, yet our values have endured.

Student Life

Whether dancers or doctors, ambassadors or athletes, CA graduates go on to join a vibrant alumnae/i community that is shaping today's conversations.



395

NUMBER OF STUDENTS
GRADES 9-12



35%
U.S. STUDENTS
OF COLOR



10%
INTERNATIONAL
STUDENTS

70+

CLUBS AND
ORGANIZATIONS



THE ARTS

Our arts program is fully integrated into the CA experience. As with science, math, humanities and languages, the study of the arts requires us to ask questions, solve problems, and explore the world around us.

DIVERSITY

We believe the most authentic learning occurs when you assemble and appreciate voices and viewpoints from various origins, cultures and backgrounds.

35%

FROM PUBLIC
OR CHARTER SCHOOL

65%

FROM INDEPENDENT,
PAROCHIAL, OR
INTERNATIONAL SCHOOLS

27%

RECEIVE
FINANCIAL AID

WE WOULDN'T BE WHO WE ARE WITHOUT COMMON TRUST.

It's the glue that bonds all of us — students, teachers, coaches, and house faculty — into a caring community that respects each other's ideas, beliefs, identities, and possessions.

Students call faculty and staff by their first names; it's a sign of common trust and respect we have for each other.

"CA prepared me both academically and emotionally. I entered college feeling comfortable with myself and confident in my abilities."

Meredith Perez Putnam '12

Academics

With over 200 classes offered and a low student-to-teacher ratio, each student's experience is unique. Our students are challenged to think creatively and supported as they explore their passions and develop new ones.



200+

COURSES IN THE COURSE CATALOG

AP EXAMINATIONS

Our curriculum includes advanced and accelerated courses that prepare students to excel. While CA does not offer the AP curriculum, our students who do opt to sit for these exams perform well.



20 SUBJECTS

1. Biology
2. Calculus AB
3. Calculus BC
4. Chemistry
5. Chinese Language and Culture
6. Comparative Government and Politics
7. Computer Science A
8. English Language and Composition
9. English Literature and Composition
10. French Language and Culture
11. German Language and Culture
12. Latin
13. Microeconomics
14. Music Theory
15. Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism
16. Physics C: Mechanics
17. Spanish Language and Culture
18. Statistics
19. Studio Art: Drawing Portfolio
20. U.S. History



87

AP EXAMS

Taken by 51 students



94%

Scored a 3 or higher

SCORE OF 5: 31

SCORE OF 4: 37

SCORE OF 3: 14

GPA + SAT STATISTICS

Class Year		Average GPA	Evidence-Based Reading + Writing	Mathematics
2020	End of Junior Year	3.60	690	692
	End of Senior Year	3.56	698	707
2019	End of Junior Year	3.55	680	710
	End of Senior Year	3.56	698	707

Courses taken in the ninth grade and at schools other than CA are excluded from the calculated GPA.

HOW CA GPAs ARE CALCULATED...

We encourage students to take risks and discover new interests — and for that reason, only courses completed after their first year are included in GPAs.

“I learned how to manage my time and prioritize responsibilities at Concord Academy.”

Saul Verdi '21

66

NUMBER OF FACULTY MEMBERS



6:1



STUDENT-TO-TEACHER RATIO

An average class size is 12 students; No CA student has the same academic schedule or mix of classes.

Each CA education is truly tailored to the individual!

College Matriculation

This list indicates first-year matriculation from 2015 to 2019 and does not reflect college transfers. 100% of graduates attend four-year institutions either directly or after an interim-year experience.

Tufts University	28	University of Chicago	5	William & Mary	2
Wesleyan University	22	Yale University	5	Art Institute of Chicago	1
New York University	17	Babson College	4	Baruch College	1
Northeastern University	17	Duke University	4	Bennington College	1
Smith College	13	Emory University	4	Champlain College	1
Barnard College	11	George Washington University	4	Chapman University	1
Middlebury College	11	Georgetown University	4	Clark University	1
Bates College	10	Kenyon College	4	Colgate University	1
Columbia University	10	Mount Holyoke College	4	Colorado State University	1
Northwestern University	9	Swarthmore College	4	Drexel University	1
Washington University in St. Louis	9	University of Pennsylvania	4	Elon University	1
Carnegie Mellon University	8	University of Vermont, Burlington	4	Eugene Lang College, The New School for Liberal Arts	1
Colorado College	8	Worcester Polytechnic Institute	4	Florida Institute of Technology	1
Cornell University	8	Amherst College	3	Guilford College	1
Carleton College	7	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	3	Hampshire College	1
College of the Holy Cross	7	Rhode Island School of Design	3	Hillsdale College	1
Skidmore College	7	Scripps College	3	Hobart and William Smith Colleges	1
Boston University	6	Syracuse University	3	Hofstra University	1
Bowdoin College	6	University of Edinburgh (UK)	3	Institut d'Études Politiques de Paris (Sciences Po) (France)	1
Brandeis University	6	University of Massachusetts, Amherst	3	King's College London (UK)	1
Brown University	6	Berklee College of Music	2	Lafayette College	1
Colby College	6	Bryn Mawr College	2	Loughborough University (UK)	1
Dartmouth College	6	Bucknell University	2	Oberlin Conservatory of Music	1
Davidson College	6	Emerson College	2	Occidental College	1
Harvard University	6	Grinnell College	2	Ohio Wesleyan University	1
Princeton University	6	Macalester College	2	Olin College of Engineering	1
University of Southern California	6	Muhlenberg College	2	Pratt Institute	1
Williams College	6	Pomona College	2	Providence College	1
Connecticut College	5	Reed College	2	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	1
Hamilton College	5	Rochester Institute of Technology	2	Rice University	1
Harvey Mudd College	5	Sarah Lawrence College	2	Santa Clara University	1
Haverford College	5	St. Lawrence University	2	St. Olaf College	1
Johns Hopkins University	5	Stanford University	2	United States Military Academy at West Point	1
Oberlin College	5	Trinity College	2	University of London (UK)	1
Pitzer College	5	Tulane University	2	University of Miami	1
		Union College	2	University of Puget Sound	1
		University of California, Los Angeles	2	University of Rochester	1
		University of California, Santa Cruz	2	University of Virginia, Charlottesville	1
		University of Colorado, Boulder	2	University of Wisconsin, Madison	1
		University of Michigan, Ann Arbor	2	Waseda University (Japan)	1
		University of St Andrews (UK)	2	Washington and Lee University	1
		University of Texas, Austin	2	Wheaton College	1
		Vanderbilt University	2	Whitman College	1
		Vassar College	2		
		Wellesley College	2		

“We help students realize what they’re capable of. We help them represent their authentic selves.”

Rick Hardy, Head of School



95 Average Size of Graduating Class

College Counseling

At CA, we believe an ideal college application process is marked by balance, careful planning, and reduced stress, as well as satisfying results.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

All students are expected to take a minimum of 14 credits per semester with four major courses earning three credits each. The maximum credit load is 20 credits per semester. In some cases, a student is permitted to audit courses beyond the 20 credit limit.

ENGLISH

4 years

HISTORY

2.5 years,
specific levels

MODERN + CLASSICAL LANGUAGES

Completion of a
third-level course in
French, German, Latin,
Mandarin, or Spanish

SCIENCE

2.5 years

MATHEMATICS

Geometry 2 and one
course beyond Algebra 2

COMPUTER SCIENCE

Demonstrated
proficiency

PERFORMING + VISUAL ARTS

10 credits,
including 2 credits
in each department

HEALTH + WELLNESS

Health and Wellness
course in grades 9–11

ATHLETICS

Grades 9–10:
3 seasons each year

Grades 11–12:
2 seasons each year

CCO Team

Peter Jennings

Director of College
Counseling

Jillian O'Connell

Administrative Assistant

Kate Peltz

Director of College
Counseling

Alyse Ruiz-Selsky '05

Director of Studies
and College Counselor

Alison Tomlin

College Counselor

Richard Hardy

Head of School

Sarah Yeh

Assistant Head and
Academic Dean

"no prize" school

At Concord Academy,
we have no class rank or
academic prizes. In that
spirit, our diplomas are
awarded in random order.

*"CA students are
here because they
want to be here. No
matter how difficult
the subject is, they
dive right in."*

Andrea Yañes, Science Teacher

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