



DEXTER SOUTHFIELD

“Our Best Today, Better Tomorrow”

School Profile 2020-2021

The School:

- An independent, college preparatory day school serving 969 students in Pre-kindergarten through Class 12.
- Dexter School (founded in 1926) and Southfield School (founded in 1992) merged in 2013. Dexter Southfield consists of three divisions—lower, middle, and upper. Single-sex education is offered in the Lower School and Middle School (Pre-K-Class 8) and co-education with single-sex program features in the Upper School (Classes 9–12).
- The Upper School enrolls 359 students from approximately 78 communities in eastern Massachusetts.
- At Dexter Southfield, students develop their individual talents and build an ethical foundation for life. Students learn to lead with confidence and serve with compassion.

COVID-19 Considerations:

Spring 2020: Dexter Southfield students transitioned to a robust remote learning program from March 30-May 29, 2020. Students attended synchronous classes and faculty continued to assess and grade remotely. No changes were made to the grading policy. All spring athletics and extracurricular activities were cancelled.

Fall 2020: For the 2020-2021 academic year, Dexter Southfield opened on August 27, 2020 for traditional in-person instruction five days per week. Distance learning is available on a case-by-case basis following medical approval by the health office.

Academics:

- A rigorous liberal arts curriculum with a commitment to character development, leadership, critical thinking, and creativity
- Standard course load: 5 classes

Note: Before 2018-2019, honors courses were seldom available to Class 9 & 10 students.

Graduation Requirements:

English	4 years
Lab Science	3 years
Math	3 years (with Algebra II)
History	3 years (with US History)
Language	3 levels
Visual & Performing Arts	3 semesters
Ethics 9	1 semester (Class 9)

Public Speaking – Students learn to speak and write effectively by preparing and delivering an annual public address to fellow students, faculty, and administrators.

Community Service – All students must complete at least 40 hours of community service prior to graduation.

Senior Independent Learning Experience – In May, seniors explore passions or new areas of interest through a real-world experience. Students are required to complete 120 hours of supervised activity, reflect about their experience, and present to a panel of their peers and faculty to showcase their culmination of work.

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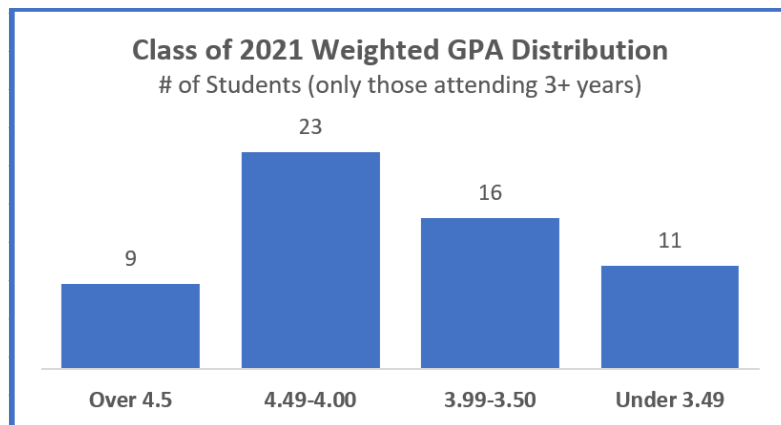
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School Memberships & Accreditation:
NAIS, AISNE, NACAC, BISCCA, ACCIS New
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2020-2021 Fast Facts

- ✓ 76 seniors
- ✓ Highest weighted GPA for the Class of 2021: 4.94
- ✓ 17 AP courses
- ✓ 37 Honors courses
- ✓ 100% of students matriculate to four-year colleges
- ✓ Students are not ranked.
- ✓ The school does not disclose student discipline to colleges unless the school decides that a student's standing at Dexter Southfield is in doubt because of his or her actions.

GPA Grading Scale: A student's cumulative unweighted GPA is inclusive of all grades earned through the last completed school year. **The end-of-year GPA is given one additional point for Honors and AP courses.** Individual grades are not weighted.



LETTER GRADE	NUMBER VALUE	LETTER GRADE	NUMBER VALUE
A+	(4.30+)	C+	(2.30-2.69)
A	(4.00-4.29)	C	(2.00-2.29)
A-	(3.70-3.99)	C-	(1.70-1.99)
B+	(3.30-3.69)	D+	(1.30-1.69)
B	(3.00-3.29)	D	(1.00-1.29)
B-	(2.70-2.99)	D-	(0.70-0.99)

- **Academic Honors:** Students who earn a weighted GPA of 3.7 (A-) or above and have no grade lower than a B- for their courses.
- **Academic High Honors:** Students who earn a weighted GPA of 3.7 (A-) or above and have no grade lower than an A- for their courses.
- Honors and High Honors distinctions are awarded at the end of Semester I, Semester II, and the year.

Signature Programs:

MEDscience Honors: MEDscience combines hands-on clinical cases and classroom lessons. Students travel to Harvard Medical School weekly and participate in ER-simulated case studies. Entry to the program is competitive for Class 12 students.

Museum of Fine Arts Boston Docent Program: Students in Classes 10-12 who are interested in art may apply and interview for the Docent Training Program. After a series of training sessions at the Museum of Fine Arts, students are qualified to educate younger students and provide "insider" tours of art.

Recognition:

Athletic Achievements

Collegiate Athletes: 34 students from the Class of 2020 (44%) will play collegiate athletics

- 2019-2020 New England Prep School Athletic Council (NEPSAC) All-Stars: 8 boys, 6 girls
- 2019-2020 Postseason Play: 11 teams total

Varsity Boys' Athletics:

- Baseball: 2020 Massachusetts Gatorade Baseball Player of the Year
- Football: 2019 NEPSAC Dave Coratti Bowl Finalist
- Hockey: Qualified for the NEPSAC Elite 8 and advanced to the NEPSAC Final

Varsity Girls' Athletics:

- Basketball: Qualified for the NEPSAC Class C tournament and advanced to NEPSAC finals
- Soccer: Qualified for the NEPSAC Class C tournament and advanced to NEPSAC semi-finals
- Volleyball: Qualified for the NEPSAC Class C tournament (first time in tournament)

Girls' and Boys' Cross Country Team: Qualified for the New England Division IV Championships (Boys trophy; Girls placed 2nd overall)

Girls' and Boys' Swim Team: Qualified for the New England Division III Swimming Championship (Boys placed 6th overall; Girls placed 6th overall). The team broke 8 of 22 school records in winter 2020.

Visual and Performing Arts Achievements

- Scholastic Art Exhibition: 9 students awarded honorable mention or silver keys
- Crescendo International Piano Competition: 1 student awarded first place

Academic Courses	Bolded Courses: Honors or AP	*Course not available to students in Class of 2021	
ENGLISH	HISTORY	MATH	SCIENCE
Writing Concepts (9)	Ancient World History (9)	Mathematics Concepts	Biology
Literary Study and Composition (9)	*Ancient World History Honors (9)	Algebra/Geometry	*Biology Honors
Literary Study (9)	Modern World History I (10)	Geometry	Biology Accelerated
*Literary Study Honors (9)	*Modern World History I Honors (10)	Geometry Honors	Chemistry
Individual in Society and Composition (10)	Modern World History II	Geometry with Applications	Chemistry Honors
Individual in Society (10)	*Modern World History II Honors	Algebra II	Chemistry Accelerated
Individual in Society Honors (10)	U. S. History (11)	Algebra II Honors	Physics Accelerated
American Literature (11)	*U. S. History Honors (11)	Algebra II with Applications	Physics Honors
*American Literature Honors (11)	AP U.S. History	Pre-Calculus Honors	AP Physics
AP English Language and Composition (11)	AP U.S. Government and Politics	Pre-Calculus with Applications	AP Biology
AP English Literature and Composition (11)	AP Economics	AP Statistics	AP Chemistry
Production Journalism	Constitutional Law Honors	AP Calculus AB	Environmental Science
Ethical Philosophy Honors Seminar	Modern Conflicts	AP Calculus BC	Forensics and Cyber Crimes
Introduction to Film Studies	Psychology	Statistics I	Advanced Astronomy Honors
Modernism: A Culture Honors	History of Social Justice	Statistics II	Marine Biology
Legendarium	AP Art History	Discrete Math	MEDscience Honors
Rise of Gothic and Horror in Literature Honors		Calculus I Honors	MEDscience LAB Honors
Creative Writing: Short Stories		Calculus II Honors	Nutritional Science
Sports Literature		Advanced Math Topics Honors	Zoology Honors
Truth and Memory		Problem Solving	STEM: Engineering Design
		AP Computer Science Principles	STEM: Digital Electronics
			STEM: Coding for Apps
CLASSICS	SPANISH	FRENCH	VISUAL ARTS
Latin I	Spanish I	French I	Art I: Visual Communication
Latin II	Spanish II	French II	Drawing
Latin II Honors	Spanish II Honors	French II Honors	Painting
Latin III	Spanish III	French III	AP Studio Art
Latin III Honors	Spanish III Honors	French III Honors	Advanced Studio Art Honors
Latin Literature Honors I	Spanish IV	French IV Honors	Digital Photography
Latin Literature Honors II (post AP)	Spanish IV Honors	AP French Language and Culture	Watercolor
History of Rome through Architecture	AP Spanish Language and Culture	French V Honors	Printmaking
	Spanish V Honors	World Cultures	Sculpture
PERFORMING ARTS	ETHICS		
Music Appreciation	Ethics 9		
Theatre/Acting I			
Ukulele			
Jazz Ensemble			
AP Music Theory			



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5 Year Matriculation List

Dexter Southfield students have matriculated to the following colleges and universities over the last five years (2016-2020).

Three or more students have enrolled at:

American University
Babson College
Bentley University
Boston College
Boston University
Catholic University of America
College of Charleston
Colby College
Colgate University
College of the Holy Cross
Elon University
Georgetown University
Harvard College
Hobart and William Smith Colleges
Kenyon College
Lehigh University
New York University
Northeastern University
Providence College
Quinnipiac University
Saint Anselm College
Santa Clara University
St. Lawrence University
Syracuse University
Trinity College
Tufts University
Tulane University
Union College
University of Massachusetts, Amherst
University of Massachusetts, Boston
University of Miami
University of New Hampshire
University of Vermont
Wake Forest University

Two students have enrolled at:

Bard College
Bryant University

Bucknell University
Clemson University
Dartmouth College
Fairfield University
George Washington University
Merrimack College
Miami University
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rhodes College
Rollins College
Savannah College of Art and Design
Skidmore College
Texas Christian University
The Citadel
The University of Alabama
United States Military Academy
University of Connecticut
University of Michigan
University of Notre Dame
University of Virginia
Villanova University
Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Students have also enrolled at:

Amherst College
Assumption University
Bates College
Baylor University
Belmont University
Bowdoin College
Brandeis University
Brown University
Carnegie Mellon University
Case Western Reserve University
Clark University
Colorado College
Connecticut College
Cornell University
Dickinson College
Drexel University
East Carolina University
Fordham University
Franklin and Marshall College
Franklin Pierce University
Furman University
Gettysburg College
Hamilton College

High Point University
King's College London
Loyola Marymount University
Loyola University Maryland
Marist College
MIT
Michigan State University
Monmouth University
Mount Holyoke College
Murray State University
Northwestern University
Ohio Wesleyan University
Old Dominion University
Princeton University
Purdue University
Reed College
Rice University
Roger Williams University
Ryerson University
Sacred Heart University
Saint Michael's College
Simmons University
Southern New Hampshire University
Stetson University
Stevenson University
Suffolk University
Temple University
University at Albany, SUNY
University of California, Santa Barbara
University of Colorado Boulder
University of Denver
University of Limerick
University of Maine
University of Maryland
University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth
University of Massachusetts, Lowell
University of South Carolina
University of Southern California
University of St. Andrews
University of Tennessee, Knoxville
University of Toronto
Wagner College
Washington University in St. Louis
Wentworth Institute of Technology
Wesleyan University
Yale University