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Memberships: NAIS, NACAC,  
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## 178 STUDENTS

- 21 States
- 26% International from 11 Countries
- 62% Boarding Students
- 38% Day Students
- 16% BIPOC

## CLASS OF 2021

**55 SENIORS**

**2 ACADEMIC GAP YEAR**

## COURSE OFFERINGS

- All are college preparatory
- 7 Dual-Enrollment
- 12 Advanced Placement (AP)
- 10 Honors
- Academic Coaching Program
- English Language Support Program
- Global Programming
- Click Here: [2020-21 Curriculum Guide](#)
- See Transcript Key for Diploma Requirements

Founded in 1824, **KENTS HILL SCHOOL** is one of the oldest independent, co-educational schools in the United States. Committed to being an anti-racist academic community, our new **Diversity, Equity, and Belonging initiative** dedicates time and resources to educating students and faculty through readings and workshops during orientation and frequent talks and activities throughout the school year.

Kents Hill recently **initiated a process of curriculum redesign** aimed at readying students for the challenges of the twenty-first century, rebalancing many traditional classes to emphasize skills, character, and reflection and adding a variety of new courses exploring twenty-first-century topics. Over the past year, several events, most notably the COVID-19 pandemic, have continued to shift the way we think about our program. Suddenly, it no longer feels useful to define the Kents Hill experience as mere preparation for the future; the present demands our attention too, challenging us to not only consider the world we will inherit, but to understand the one we inhabit.

Building on our **mission** to educate students in mind, body, and character in order to prepare them for the challenges and opportunities of higher education; to learn to accept themselves and others; to work together for the common good; to be stewards of our natural environment; and to embody our long-held belief that one person of principle can always make a difference, the new **PEAK Program** (Principles, Ethics, and Action at Kents Hill) will use this year's election as part of its effort to build greater self-knowledge, teach ethical frameworks, and practice using these frameworks to wrestle with both personal and institutional problems.

**COVID-19 Remote and Hybrid Learning:** In the spring of 2020, Kents Hill moved to a remote learning program offering both synchronous and asynchronous opportunities for students who were spread around the globe as a result of COVID-19. This year, Kents Hill offers a new hybrid learning pedagogy serving on-campus students, those unable to enter the country, and/or whose families have chosen to keep them home. Each classroom is outfitted with video capability to allow remote learners to participate in the full class experience, seeing and hearing their teachers and classmates and able to make their own contributions to class discussions. To accommodate the deep cleaning necessary to keep the community safe and to offer better opportunities for class discussion and debate, all Wednesday classes are held online.

**Campus Environment and Opportunities:** Situated on a 400- acre hilltop campus that commands outstanding views of the Western Maine and White Mountains, the spirit of Kents Hill is clear. Boarding and day students form close connections within the community where the majority of the faculty live on campus with their families. Kents Hill offers a diploma program for grades 9-12 and an Academic Gap Year (AGY) certificate for post-graduates. The scenic campus has a ski slope, lake frontage, indoor skating rink, and beautiful dining commons. Kents Hill's location just 15 minutes outside Maine's capital city of Augusta affords each student special opportunities to explore and learn safely both on and off campus.

**Academic Offerings:** New courses allow students to engage with today's world in all of its complexity. Biochemistry of Nutrition and Global Public Health introduces students to major health-related problems in the U.S. and around the world, Environmental Economics explores the benefits and considerable costs of natural resource exploitation, the United Nations class studies the institution's origins, structure, and legislative processes. A new art course, Art and Entrepreneurship, looks at the contemporary marketplace for creative work, affording students the opportunity to start, manage, and develop their own arts-oriented businesses.

Challenging academics and extracurricular offerings include Advanced Placement, Accelerated, and Dual-Enrollment college classes, Academic Coaching through the Akin Learning Center, competitive interscholastic and intramural athletics, and fine arts. Students participate in a team sport or afternoon activity five days a week. Options include varsity sports, Outing Club, theater, community engagement, and internships.

**THE ACADEMIC GAP YEAR** provides high school graduates with opportunities to broaden their horizons, nurture their personal growth, and evaluate their personal and professional goals before college. All AGY students take at least 3 classes while also pursuing extracurricular and internship opportunities and completing a culminating capstone project. AGY students earn a Certificate of Attendance at the successful completion of their year at Kents Hill School.

**TRANSCRIPTS** only include work completed at Kents Hill School (grades 9-AGY). While academic work completed at other schools is used to meet Kents Hill diploma requirements, it is not factored into the cumulative weighted GPA which is calculated at the end of each semester. Standardized testing is under the student's control and **not included** on the school transcript. **Kents Hill does not rank its students.**

**HONORS AND AWARDS** Early Cum Laude recognition is bestowed upon a few returning seniors in October, and an additional cohort (with a minimum of two years at the school) is inducted at year's end. National Honor Society members are juniors and seniors. Kents Hill awards class and department prizes each year. These are not noted on the transcript but students are encouraged to include them on their college applications.

**GRADING SYSTEM** Grades are expressed on the transcript as letters with the following numerical and GPA equivalents.

Weighting: Dual-Enrollment and Accelerated 1.0; AP .75; Honors .5.

A+ 100-97 4.3	A 96-93 4.0	A- 92-90 3.7	F 59-0
B+ 89-87 3.3	B 86-83 3.0	B- 82-80 2.7	WP withdraw pass
C+ 79-77 2.3	C 76-73 2.0	C- 72-70 1.7	WF withdraw fail
D+ 69-67 1.3	D 66-63 1.0	D- 62-60 0.7	P pass or F fail

**DISCIPLINE** Disciplinary incidents resulting in suspension or probation which occur in the junior, senior, and AGY are reported by the school as requested by individual colleges and universities. Disciplinary incidents occurring in the first and sophomore years (or first semester for a new junior), which have no impact on the greater school community, are considered learning experiences and are not reported. Colleges may assume that any student enrolled at Kents Hill is considered a good community member and worthy of their consideration for admission. A full explanation of the school's disciplinary process and reporting policies is available in the [Kents Hill School Student Handbook](#).

## COLLEGE ENROLLMENT 2017-2020

### 3-5 Enrollments

Bates College  
Boston University  
Bryant University  
Concordia University (Montreal)  
Endicott College  
Lasell University  
Lehigh University  
Maine Maritime Academy  
Merrimack College  
New York University  
Trinity College  
University of Arizona  
University of California (Davis)  
University of Colorado Boulder  
University of Maine  
University of Maine at Farmington  
University of New England  
Wheaton College

Emerson College  
Emmanuel College  
Florida Keys Community College  
Furman University  
George Washington University  
Gordon College  
Goucher College  
Grinnell College  
High Point University  
Hobart William Smith Colleges  
Hofstra University  
Husson University  
Jacksonville University  
Johnson & Wales University (Charlotte)  
Keene State College  
King's College  
Laval University  
Lees-McRae College  
Lynn University  
Manhattanville College  
Marian University  
McGill University  
Mercyhurst University  
Missouri Valley College  
Morehouse College  
Muhlenberg College  
New England College  
New Mexico Military Institute  
Northeastern University  
Northwestern University  
Pace University (New York City)  
Pennsylvania State University (Main Campus)  
Pepperdine University  
Plymouth State University  
Prague College  
Pratt Institute (Main Campus)  
Providence College  
Purdue University (Main Campus)  
Quinnipiac University  
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute  
Rochester Institute of Technology  
Roger Williams University  
Saint Anselm College  
Saint Joseph's College of Maine  
Saint Michael's College

Salem State University  
San Diego State University  
Santa Clara University  
Sarah Lawrence College  
Seattle Pacific University  
Simmons University  
Skidmore College  
Smith College  
St John's University (New York)  
St. Thomas University  
Stetson University  
Stony Brook University  
Suffolk University  
SUNY at Fredonia  
Syracuse University  
The College of New Jersey  
The College of Wooster  
The University of Alabama  
The University of Tampa  
Thomas College  
Towson University  
Tufts University  
United States Merchant Marine Academy  
Universidad Anahuac  
University of British Columbia  
University of Calgary  
University of California (Irvine)  
University of California (Los Angeles)  
University of California (San Diego)  
University of California (Santa Barbara)  
University of California (Santa Cruz)  
University of Connecticut  
University of Dayton  
University of Denver  
University of Guelph  
University of Massachusetts (Amherst)  
University of Massachusetts (Boston)  
University of New Brunswick  
University of New Hampshire (Main Campus)  
University of Redlands  
University of Rochester  
University of San Francisco  
University of Southern California  
University of Southern Maine

University of the Pacific  
University of Toronto  
University of Vermont  
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University  
Wake Forest University  
Wellesley College  
Wentworth Institute of Technology  
Whittier College  
Wilkes University  
William and Mary  
Yale University

### 1-2 Enrollments

Allegheny College  
American International College  
Anna Maria College  
Assumption University  
Becker College  
Boston College  
Bowdoin College  
Brandeis University  
Brown University  
Carnegie Mellon University  
Case Western Reserve University  
Castleton University  
Central Maine Community College  
Champlain College  
Colby College  
Colby-Sawyer College  
Colorado School of Mines  
Colorado State University (Fort Collins)  
Connecticut College  
Curry College  
DePaul University  
Drexel University  
Elon University  
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (Worldwide)