



# town school for boys

As a boys' school, Town provides a rich, challenging and rigorous educational experience that addresses the distinctive energy levels and developmental styles of boys. Town values being a diverse and inclusive community that nurtures integrity, sensitivity and respect in its boys, and prepares them to become productive and contributing members of an ever-changing world.

## At A Glance:

- Independent boys' K-8 school
- Founded in 1939
- Head of School: Lorri Hamilton Durbin
- Lower School K-4: self-contained classrooms
- Upper School 5-8: departmentalized classes

## Program Built for Boys:

- All students begin the day with morning meeting
- Social-emotional learning throughout the curriculum; dedicated Lower School SEL teacher
- 5-8 math groups: Core and Core+ and Math Specialist
- Readers and Writers Workshop
- K-3 reading support teachers
- Digital and information literacy integrated throughout the grades
- Integrated technology, robotics and computer programming
- 7th grade Experiences Course focuses on leadership and ethics
- 8th grade culminating Capstone Projects
- Library programs foster a love of reading across the school
- Robust K-8 Music, Studio Art and Theater Arts offerings
- Dolby Family Center for the Performing Arts available for performances and all-school assemblies
- 2 STEM labs and rooftop garden/outdoor STEM lab with greenhouse
- Flexible classroom spaces respond to evolving needs
- Ample space available for active play: including 2 full-sized gymnasiums, 2 rooftop play spaces, and access to Morton Street Field in the Presidio
- Extensive additional courses, electives and clubs including robotics, economics, mathletes, typing, ENI (exploring new ideas), gardening, debate, speech, stock market, yearbook, creative writing, creator mini bots, mindfulness, and many more

**At Town School,  
learning is prized,  
love of school is essential  
and boyhood is celebrated.**

## Town School Values:

**RESPECT:** We respect ourselves and others.

**CURIOSITY:** We are curious.

**BELONGING:** We all belong.

**INTEGRITY:** We act with integrity.

**JOY:** We are joyful.

## Community:

- Student enrollment 415
- 46% of our students come from self-identified families of color
- 19% of our families receive tuition assistance
- 31 preschools represented in our current kindergarten class
- Families from 35+ different zip codes

## Building Belonging:

- Parent community meetings
- Family affinity dinners
- Upper School students of color affinity groups
- Global education curriculum
- Integrated racial literacy curriculum to augment our SEL and character education programs
- Parents' Association "One Town" committee creates cultural experiences and celebrations to deepen connections, build understanding and support sense of belonging across the community

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## Did You Know:

- Town's New Teacher Institute trains teachers new to the profession
- Lunch and snack are included in the tuition fee
- All students are invited to perform in a school production
- Students LOVE the library! Ask about the 40 Book Challenge
- 100% of our employees and trustees, and 95% of our parents contributed to Annual Giving last year
- We offer a morning bus program
- Families receiving tuition assistance also receive reduced fees in many other school-related expenses

## Where Families Can Get Involved:

- Serving lunch
- Library
- Classroom celebrations
- Field trips
- Admission docents
- Fundraising
- Studio Art program
- Room parents
- Parents' Association
- Class coffees
- Parent Education events
- Gardening
- Boy of the Week
- Faculty and staff appreciation

## Where Town Graduates Go From Here:

- Members of the Class of 2021 attend 18 different secondary schools including local day schools and boarding schools
- Secondary School Counselor supports the boys and their families in helping to find the best fit for each student

## Town Tiger Traditions:

- Families Program builds relationships across grades including kindergarten and 4th grade buddies
- Head of School greets students every morning at the front door
- Writers Workshop Celebrations
- Service Learning experiences across grades
- All-School assemblies with student performances, special guests and community celebrations
- Outdoor Education trips in grades 5-8
- Regular faculty vs. 8th grade basketball and soccer games
- Spirit Week with themed dress-up days and activities every February
- Student-run Fair donates the proceeds to a student-selected non-profit
- Annual Events: Kindergarten Bedtime Stories, Family Fun Night, Grandparents and Special Friends Day, Kindergarten Family Traditions Tasting Party, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Peace Walk, Festival of the Arts, and Track Meet

## Extended Day Programs:

- Morning care beginning at 7:30 AM
- After school care available until 6:00 PM
- Learning Enrichment Activities Program (LEAP) includes comic creations, drawing, creative writing, music, touch football, chess, tennis, clay modeling, moviemaking, design engineering and many more

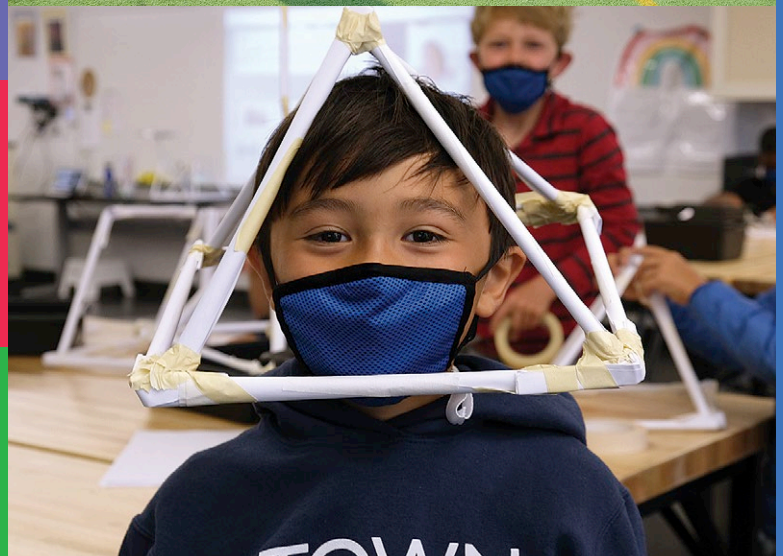
## PE and Athletics: Go Tigers!

- PE every day K-8
- Grades K-2 sports teams often organized by room parents
- Students in grades 3-8 play on Town teams offered through the Athletic Department
- Upper School sports offered include golf, volleyball, soccer, basketball, cross country, baseball, lacrosse, and track and field
- A team for every boy; no cuts

## Love of the Arts:

Students have many opportunities for creative and artistic expression

- Music Class
- Theater Arts
- Drama
- TED: Technology, Engineering and Design
- Music Composition
- Studio Art
- Percussion
- Handbells
- Drumline
- Creative Coding
- Film
- Theater Tech



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