



DEXTER SOUTHFIELD

“Our Best Today, Better Tomorrow”

School Profile 2021-2022

The School:

- An independent, college-preparatory day school serving 1025 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 403 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:

2021-2022 Academic Year: Dexter Southfield is open for traditional in-person instruction five days per week. The school has planned a robust schedule of athletics and extracurricular activities.

2020-2021 Academic Year: Dexter Southfield opened for traditional in-person instruction five days per week. Distance learning was available on a case-by-case basis following medical approval by the health office. Athletics and extracurricular activities were limited.

Spring 2020: Dexter Southfield transitioned to a robust remote learning program from March 30-May 29, 2020. Faculty assessed and graded remotely. No changes were made to the grading policy. All spring athletics and extracurricular activities were cancelled.

Academics:

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

Graduation Requirements:

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| 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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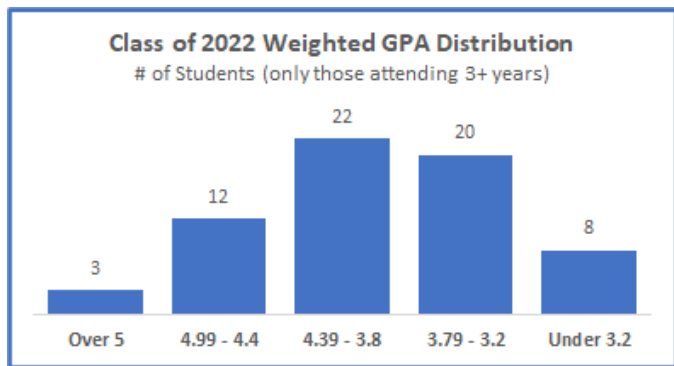
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School Memberships & Accreditation:
NAIS, AISNE, NACAC, BISCCA, ACCIS New
England Association of Schools and Colleges

2021-2022 Fast Facts

- ✓ 87 seniors
- ✓ Highest weighted GPA for the Class of 2022: 5.21
- ✓ 17 AP courses
- ✓ 32 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) |

The Cum Laude Society

Dexter Southfield has a chapter of the Cum Laude Society, a national high school honors society for students who demonstrate exemplary scholastic achievement. Induction for class 12 students is in the fall and spring and is based on scholarship, character, and devotion to excellence.

Honors and High Honors Distinctions: Awarded at the end of Semester I, Semester II, and the year.

- **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.

Signature Program:

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.

Collegiate Athletics

- 24 students from the Class of 2021 (31%) will participate in collegiate athletics.

Visual and Performing Arts Achievements:

2021 Scholastic Art Exhibition Award Recipients:

- 1 student earned 3 silver medals at the National Scholastic Exhibition
- 1 student awarded "Best in Category" for Printmaking (for all MA entries)
- 4 students awarded 6 gold keys
- 7 students awarded 10 silver keys
- 8 students awarded 10 honorable mentions

| Academic Courses 2021-2022 | Bolded Courses: Honors or AP | | |
|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| ENGLISH | HISTORY | MATH | SCIENCE |
| Literary Study and Composition (9) | Ancient World History (9) | Intermediate Algebra | Biology |
| Literary Study (9) | Ancient World History Honors (9) | Geometry | Biology Accelerated |
| Literary Study Honors (9) | Modern World History I (10) | Geometry with Applications | Biology Honors |
| Individual in Society and Composition (10) | Modern World History I Honors (10) | Geometry Honors | Chemistry |
| Individual in Society (10) | Modern World History II | Algebra II with Applications | Chemistry Accelerated |
| Individual in Society Honors (10) | Modern World History II Honors | Algebra II Honors | Chemistry Honors |
| American Literature (11) | U. S. History (11) | Pre-Calculus Accelerated <i>(formerly Pre-Calculus with Applications)</i> | Physics Accelerated |
| American Literature Honors (11) | U. S. History Honors (11) | Pre-Calculus Honors | Physics Honors |
| AP English Language and Composition | British Imperialism Honors | AP Statistics | AP Physics |
| AP English Literature and Composition | AP U.S. History | AP Calculus AB | AP Biology |
| Modernism: A Culture Honors | AP Comparative Government and Politics | AP Calculus BC | AP Chemistry |
| Ethical Philosophy Honors Seminar | AP Art History | AP Computer Science | Environmental Science |
| Rise of Gothic and Horror in Literature Honors | AP Economics | Statistics I | Forensics |
| Journalism | AP Art History | Statistics II | Advanced Astronomy Honors |
| Legendarium | History of Boston | Calculus I Honors | Marine Biology |
| Literature and Social Justice | History of Social Justice | Calculus II Honors | MEDscience Honors |
| Creative Writing | Women in American History | Advanced Math Topics Honors | MEDscience Lab Honors |
| Sports Literature | Developmental Psychology | Problem Solving | Neuroscience Honors |
| Comparative Mythology | Abnormal Psychology | Functions and Trigonometry | Nutritional Science |
| | | | STEM: Engineering Design |
| | | | STEM: Principles of Engineering |
| | | | STEM: 3-D Design |
| | | | Programming |
| CLASSICS | SPANISH | FRENCH | VISUAL ARTS |
| Latin I | Spanish I | French I | Art I |
| 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 <i>(Accelerated)</i> | French IV <i>(Accelerated)</i> | Digital Photography |
| Latin Literature Honors II | Spanish IV Honors | French IV Honors | Watercolor |
| | Spanish V Honors | AP French Language and Culture | Printmaking |
| | AP Spanish Language and Culture | | Sculpture |
| | AP Spanish Literature | | |
| PERFORMING ARTS | PERFORMING ARTS <i>continued</i> | ETHICS | |
| Music Appreciation | Music Theory | Ethics 9 | |
| World Music | Theatre I | | |
| Ukulele | Ensemble | | |



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5 Year Matriculation List

Dexter Southfield students have matriculated to the following colleges and universities over the last five years (2017-2021).

Three or more students enrolled:

American University
Babson College
Bentley University
Boston College
Boston University
Catholic University of America
Colby College
Colgate University
College of the Holy Cross
Dartmouth College
Elon University
Fairfield University
Fordham University
Harvard College
Kenyon College
Lehigh University
Merrimack College
New York University
Northeastern University
Providence College
Quinnipiac University
Rollins College
Saint Anselm College
Santa Clara University
St. Lawrence University
Syracuse University
Trinity College
Tufts University
Tulane University
UMass Amherst
Union College
University of Connecticut
University of Miami
University of Notre Dame
University of Vermont
Wake Forest University
Wesleyan University

Two students enrolled:

Bucknell University
Clemson University

College of Charleston
Connecticut College
Cornell University
Georgetown University
Hamilton College
Hobart and William Smith Colleges
Massachusetts Bay Community College
Miami University
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rhodes College
Rice University
Savannah College of Art and Design
The Citadel: Military College of SC
UMass Boston
UMass Dartmouth
United States Military Acad. West Point
University of Alabama
University of Michigan
University of New Hampshire
University of Virginia
Villanova University
Washington University in St. Louis
Wentworth Institute of Technology
Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Students have also enrolled:

Amherst College
Assumption University
Bard College
Bates College
Baylor University
Belmont University
Bowdoin College
Brandeis University
Brown University
Carleton College
Case Western Reserve University
Clark University
Colorado College
Columbia University
Drexel University
Duke University
East Carolina University
Franklin Pierce University
Furman University
George Washington University
Gettysburg College
High Point University
King's College London (UK)
Loyola Marymount University

Loyola University Maryland
Marist College
Michigan State University
MIT
Monmouth University
Mount Holyoke College
Murray State University
Newcastle University (UK)
Ohio Wesleyan University
Old Dominion University
Olin College of Engineering
Princeton University
Purdue University
Ryerson University (Canada)
Sacred Heart University
Saint Michael's College
Santa Monica College
Simmons University
Skidmore College
Southern New Hampshire University
Stevenson University
Stonehill College
Suffolk University
Temple University
Texas Christian University
UMass Lowell
University at Albany – SUNY
University College Dublin (Ireland)
University of California Santa Barbara
University of Colorado Boulder
University of Denver
University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
University of Limerick (Ireland)
University of Maryland
University of New England
University of Richmond
University of Rochester
University of South Carolina
University of Southern California
University of Tennessee-Knoxville
University of Toronto (Canada)
Vassar College
Virginia Tech
Wagner College
Wheaton College IL
Wheaton College MA
Yale University