School Description

The Loomis Chaffee School is a four-year, coeducational, independent boarding school located on a 300-acre campus in Windsor, Connecticut. Chartered in 1874 by five siblings whose children all died tragically and who then selflessly founded a school as a gift to the children of others, Loomis provides a superb education for motivated and talented students, inspiring in them a commitment to the best self and the common good. Academically rigorous, the school promotes the pursuit of excellence “in spirit, mind, and body” within a community where it is easy to be “good and friendly” and where the diversity of person and idea are not only respected but championed. All 740 Loomis students, who currently represent 33 U.S. states and 50 countries, plan to attend four-year colleges and universities. The school is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges and it is a founding member of the Association of College Counselors of Independent Schools.

Key Facts for College Admission Officers

• Our highest level courses have the designation of “CL” (for “College Level”) on the transcript. We consider these to be AP level or higher.

• Courses that move at an accelerated pace, go beyond normal curriculum requirements and require longer homework assignments are designated as “Advanced.”

• Loomis Chaffee runs on a trimester system. **Fall term grades are available the week of Thanksgiving; winter term grades are available in early March.**

• The grading system, A-F, also includes a pass/fail option in one course in spring term for seniors taking five courses.

• Loomis Chaffee does not rank its students nor provide a GPA.

• The average course load is five courses with the exception of sophomores who typically take four courses along with graduation requirements of Writers Workshop and The Seminar in the Common Good.

• Approximately 20 percent of the senior class earns a Global and Environmental Studies Certificate, which recognizes academic, extracurricular, and experiential studies focused on these areas.

• Loomis Chaffee offers 55 CL term or year-long courses and 19 advanced courses. Because of the sequencing of our academic program, it is difficult for a student to take more than seven credits' worth of CL courses and four advanced courses during their four years.

• There are 740 students in grades 9 through 12 and postgraduate study, and 210 students in the Class of 2024.

• If asked, Loomis Chaffee reports any suspension to colleges and universities.
## Curriculum Notes

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<td>English *</td>
<td>4 years</td>
<td>No advanced or CL coursework offered until grade 11</td>
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<td>Foreign Language</td>
<td>3 year proficiency in one language</td>
<td>No advanced or CL coursework offered in Arabic</td>
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<td>History and Social Science *</td>
<td>2 years (world history, U.S. history)</td>
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<td>Philosophy/Psychology/Religion</td>
<td>2 courses, at least one in grades 11 or 12</td>
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<td>Mathematics</td>
<td>3 years (2 algebra, one geometry)</td>
<td>CL Statistics Accelerated course covers the AP Statistics curriculum in a yearlong half course; for extremely able mathematics students.</td>
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<td>Science*</td>
<td>2 years (1 life and 1 physical science)</td>
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<td>Arts</td>
<td>3 courses for 4-year students; 2 for others</td>
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<td>Independent Study</td>
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<td>Offered in rare cases for students who have gone above and beyond our curricular offerings in a discipline</td>
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* Guided Research Projects in Humanities, Environmental Science and Molecular Biology allow students to participate in mentored independent research; for extremely able students.

The Innovation Trimester provides about a dozen Loomis students with the resources and structure to identify and provide solutions for community-wide problems. The program gives students the opportunity to be a part of an interdisciplinary team and to develop agency as they realize that their skills and knowledge can culminate in meaningful societal change and improvement.

## Testing Information

### Testing

The middle 50 percent of the students in the Class of 2023 scored in the following ranges:

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Includes all tests taken regardless of whether student chose to submit test scores.

In the past five years, Loomis Chaffee has graduated 9 National Merit Semifinalists and 81 National Merit Commended Scholars.
# Class of 2023 College Matriculation

- Amherst College
- Babson College
- Barnard College
- Bates College
- Bentley University
- Bocconi University
- Boston College
- Boston University
- Bowdoin College
- Brandeis University
- Brown University
- Bryn Mawr College
- Bucknell University
- Carnegie Mellon University
- Catholic University of America
- Claremont McKenna College
- Colgate University
- College of the Holy Cross
- Columbia University
- Connecticut College
- Cornell University
- Dartmouth College
- Dickinson College
- Drexel University
- Duke University
- Elon University
- Emory University
- Georgetown University
- Hamilton College
- Harvard University
- Hobart and William Smith Colleges
- Johns Hopkins University
- Kenyon College
- Lehigh University
- Loyola University Maryland
- Marquette University
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- McGill University
- Miami University (Oxford)
- Middlebury College
- New York Institute of Technology
- New York University
- Northwestern University
- Princeton University
- Providence College
- Purdue University
- Rice University
- Santa Clara University
- Skidmore College
- Smith College
- St. Lawrence University
- Stanford University
- Syracuse University
- Texas Tech University
- The College of William and Mary
- Trinity College
- Trinity College Dublin
- Tufts University
- Tulane University of Louisiana
- United States Naval Academy
- University of California, Berkeley
- University of California, Davis
- University of California, Irvine
- University of California, Los Angeles
- University of Chicago
- University of Colorado, Boulder
- University of Connecticut
- University of Delaware
- University of Florida
- University of Maine
- University of Miami
- University of Michigan
- University of New Hampshire
- University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
- University of Notre Dame
- University of Pennsylvania
- University of Richmond
- University of Rochester
- University of South Carolina
- University of St Andrews
- University of Toronto
- University of Vermont
- University of Virginia
- University of Washington, Seattle
- Vanderbilt University
- Vassar College
- Villanova University
- Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
- Wake Forest University
- Washington and Lee University
- Washington University in St. Louis
- Wellesley College
- Wesleyan University
- Williams College
- Yale University
- Youngstown State University

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# Five-Year College Matriculation

Over the past five years, four or more Loomis Chaffee students have matriculated to the following institutions:

- American University
- Amherst College
- Babson College
- Bard College
- Bates College
- Boston College
- Boston University
- Bowdoin College
- Brandeis University
- Brown University
- Bucknell University
- Carnegie Mellon University
- Claremont McKenna College
- Colby College
- Colgate University
- College of the Holy Cross
- Colorado College
- Columbia University
- Connecticut College
- Cornell University
- Dartmouth College
- Davidson College
- Duke University
- Elon University
- Emory University
- Fordham University
- George Washington University
- Georgetown University
- Hamilton College
- Harvard University
- Indiana University, Bloomington
- Johns Hopkins University
- Kenyon College
- Lafayette College
- Lehigh University
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- Merrimack College
- Middlebury College
- New York University
- Northeastern University
- Northwestern University
- Princeton University
- Quinipia University
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
- Rice University
- Skidmore College
- Southern Methodist University
- St. Lawrence University
- Stanford University
- Syracuse University
- Trinity College
- Tufts University
- Tulane University of Louisiana
- United States Naval Academy
- University of California, Berkeley
- University of California, Los Angeles
- University of Chicago
- University of Colorado, Boulder
- University of Connecticut
- University of Delaware
- University of Florida
- University of Maine
- University of Michigan
- University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
- University of Notre Dame
- University of Pennsylvania
- University of Richmond
- University of Rochester
- University of South Carolina
- University of St Andrews
- University of Toronto
- University of Vermont
- University of Virginia
- University of Washington, Seattle
- Vanderbilt University
- Vassar College
- Villanova University
- Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
- Wake Forest University
- Washington and Lee University
- Washington University in St. Louis
- Wellesley College
- Wesleyan University
- Williams College
- Yale University