

# Loomis Chaffee | College Admission Profile 2023–24



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## 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

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

\* 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:

In the past five years, Loomis Chaffee has graduated 9 National Merit Semifinalists and 81 National Merit Commended Scholars.

	SAT		ACT
EBRW	620–740	English	25–35
Math	600–770	Math	26–33
		Reading	25–35
		Science	24–33
		Composite	26–32

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

## Class of 2023 College Matriculation

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

## Five-Year College Matriculation

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

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