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Belmont Hill School educates boys in mind, body, and spirit, balancing rigorous expectations with consistent encouragement and strong emphasis on moral values and honest effort. Through shared commitment to the classroom, playing field, studio and stage, students and teachers work to honor clear thinking and creativity, competition and teamwork, tradition and innovation. The school gathers faculty, staff, and students from a diverse array of backgrounds to work together to develop curiosity, courage, and compassion in a community that embraces a spirit of lifelong learning, moral reflection, and service to others.

HISTORY Belmont Hill was founded in 1923 as a day school to provide boys from grades 7 through 12 (Forms I through VI) with a rigorous education placing special emphasis on character. Today the school enrolls 471 students in extensive programs of academics, athletics and the arts. The school's 37-acre suburban campus in Belmont includes academic buildings, Jordan Athletic Center, Prenatt Music Center, Kraft Theater, Bolles Makerspace, and historic Hamilton Chapel.

ACCREDITATION AND MEMBERSHIPS Belmont Hill is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. The school and its affiliates hold memberships in the National Association of Independent Schools, the International Boys' Schools Coalition, the National Association of College Admissions Counselors, and the College Board. Belmont Hill School subscribes to the NACAC Statement of Principles of Good Practice.

Admission to Belmont Hill is highly selective: 30% of applicants were admitted in 2023. Just over 28% of students receive need-based tuition assistance. A small number of students in grades 8-12 participate in a five-day boarding program (23 students in 2023-2024). Belmont Hill pursues a diverse community of learners and educators and does not discriminate in admission or hiring practices. There are 83 members of the Class of 2024.

**FACULTY** Of the 72 teaching faculty members at Belmont Hill, 75% hold at least one advanced degree beyond the Bachelor's. Average tenure for teaching faculty is thirteen years, and the faculty includes fourteen alumni of the school.

**CURRICULUM** The school operates on a two-semester calendar. Though almost all students register for 19.5 academic units, they are required to complete 18.5 academic units in grade 9-12, including 4 years of English, 3 years of one language other than English, 2 years of mathematics, 2 years of laboratory science, 2 years of history, 1 year of fine arts and completion of a carved panel senior year. Average class size is 12.

**DISCIPLINARY POLICY** In keeping with Belmont Hill's ethical standards, the School expects students to answer honestly and fully all college application supplemental questions that inquire about disciplinary history. If there are questions about our school's disclosure policy, please reach out to Walker Coppedge, Director of College Counseling.

**GRADING SYSTEM AND CLASS RANK** Reported grade point averages are weighted. Belmont Hill does not report students' class rank. Cum Laude Society members qualify by achieving a weighted GPA in the top 10% of the class and meeting additional criteria considered by the Cum Laude Committee.

a senior year fourth quarter program and allows students to pursue a "Senior Project" which can be a supervised internship or community service project. Rather than adding to their already full academic schedule, students have the option to replace one of their non-AP courses with this project for that final quarter. Examples of senior projects include running a Diversity Workshop for third graders at our local elementary school or participating in the Dana Farber/Harvard Cancer Center CURE program. Seniors also may apply to pursue a faculty-mentored Independent Study project during that fourth quarter. In addition, all seniors are enrolled in a practicum series entitled, "Things You Should Know (TYSK)." The curriculum for the series changes from year to year and has included topics such as "Financial Literacy" and "Healthy Choices." Some Independent Study titles are not listed on the transcripts until the end of the school year, and individual TYSK topics are not reported.

## STANDARDIZED TESTS

# SAT and ACT Scores • Class of 2023 through June

TEST	MEAN	MID-50%
SAT EBRW	671.2	640-710
SAT Math	666.2	620-700
ACT	30.4	29-32

### **Advanced Placement Scores • Class of 2023**

By May of 2023, 81 students in the Class of 2023 had completed 324 AP tests and earned 242 scores of 3 or better (75%).

SUBJECT	AP SCORE 5	AP SCORE 4	AP SCORE 3
2-D Art and Design	0	1	0
Art History	1	0	0
Biology	10	10	11
Calculus AB	0	2	13
Calculus BC	13	2	7
Chemistry	12	7	10
Computer Science A	1	0	2
Computer Science Principles	0	0	4
English Language*	0	1	0
Environmental Science	1	8	2
European History	10	12	11
French Language & Culture	0	2	4
Human Geography	3	4	2
Latin	11	2	0
Physics 1	0	1	2
Physics C (Electricity & Magnetism)	0	1	0
Physics C (Mechanics)	6	7	4
Spanish Language and Culture	2	6	4
Statistics	1	0	4
US History	14	13	12

<sup>\*</sup>Students chose to take AP exams in May though no AP course was offered.

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Requests for school visits and missing documents should be directed to Ms. Patton. Most other questions and contacts should be directed first to Mr. Coppedge's office.

#### SCHOOLS ENROLLING EIGHT OR MORE BELMONT HILL GRADUATES • 2020-2023

Harvard (21) Tufts, Babson (11)

Boston College (18) Bowdoin, Wake Forest, Georgetown (10)
Dartmouth (12) Colgate, Cornell, Northeastern (8)

#### **COLLEGE MATRICULATION • 2020-2023**

American University Franklin & Marshall College (2) St. Lawrence University
Amherst College (4) George Washington University University of San Diego
Assumption University Georgetown University (10) Skidmore College (3)

Babson College (11) Grinnell College University of Southern California
Bates College (3) Hamilton College (2) Southern Methodist Univ (4)
Bentley University (4) Harvard College (21) Stanford University

Boston College (18) College of the Holy Cross (4) Syracuse University (7)
Boston University (4) Johns Hopkins University (2) University of Texas, Austin
Bowdoin College (10) Kenyon College Texas Christian University

Brandeis University (2)

Brigham Young University (3)

Lehigh University

Tufts University (11)

Brown University (6)

Lew Mowne College

Triang University (5)

Brown University (6) LeMoyne College Tulane University (5)
Bucknell University (2) Louisiana State University Union College

University of CA, Berkeley University of Louisville United States Air Force Acad (2)
University of CA, San Diego UMass Amherst (4) United States Naval Academy

Carnegie Mellon University

MIT

Utah State University

Utah State University

University of Chicago (5)

Colby College (4)

Colgate University (8)

Colorado College (2)

University of Miami (2)

Michigan State University

University of Vermont

Villanova University (2)

University of Virginia (4)

University of Colorado, Boulder New York University (2) Wake Forest University (10)
Columbia University (2) Northeastern University (8) Washington & Lee University

Connecticut College (5) Northwestern University (3) Wash U in St. Louis (4)
Cornell University (8) Occidental College (3) Wesleyan University (2)
Dartmouth College (12) Univ of Pennsylvania (7) West Virginia University

Davidson College (2) Providence College College of William and Mary Dickinson College (2) Rice University Williams College (6)

University of Edinburgh University of Richmond (5) Univ of Wisconsin, Madison

Emory University (3) University of St. Andrews WPI (3)
Yale University (6)