## TABOR

## SCHOOL by the SEA

## School Profile Academic Year 2023-24

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## ABOUT TABOR ACADEMY

Tabor Academy is a four-year coeducational, college preparatory boarding and day school located on Sippican Harbor in Marion, Massachusetts. Founded in 1876 on the belief that a healthy school community finds common ground while embracing differences, our school enrolls a student body rich in ethnic, religious, economic, and international diversity. Tabor's academic, artistic, athletic, and community programs provide distinctive opportunities for students to achieve genuine understanding, attain significant skills, and identify and pursue personal goals. As the "School by the Sea," Tabor sustains a unique maritime heritage that embodies, in all its programs, the qualities a seagoing life requires: thoughtful preparation for and awareness of the wider world, perseverance, courage, a sense of direction, and humility. The SSV Tabor Boy, a 115' sail training vessel, has been owned and operated by Tabor since 1952.

## FACTS AT A GLANCE

- Senior Class: 147

Boarding: 106
Day Student: 41

- Total Enrollment: 538 Total Boarders: 371 / Total Day: 167 Total States: 26 / Total Countries: 24 Domestic students of color: 16\% International students: 21\% Students receiving financial aid: 37\%
- Teaching Faculty: 79
- $71 \%$ faculty hold advanced degrees
- Average class size: 12-14
- Student/teacher ratio: 7:1


## ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Tabor uses a trimester calendar. We do not have official first quarter or midyear grades. Fall Term grades are available after Thanksgiving. Colleges will receive Fall Term grades for all senior applicants and those should be used as a student's "midyear" grades.

## GRADING SYSTEM AND CLASS STANDING

Grades are based on a 100-point scale and grade points for the GPA are calculated according to the chart below. Honors and Advanced courses receive a weighted factor of . 50 GPA points. A student's official GPA is calculated based on the final average of a course.

| $98-100(\mathrm{~A}+)$ | $93-97(\mathrm{~A})$ | $90-92(\mathrm{~A})$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 4.33 GPA pts | 4.0 GPA pts | 3.67 GPA pts |
| $87-89(\mathrm{~B}+)$ | $83-86(\mathrm{~B})$ | $80-82(B-)$ |
| 3.33 GPA pts | 3.0 GPA pts | 2.67 GPA pts |
| $77-79(\mathrm{C}+)$ | $73-76(\mathrm{C})$ | $70-72(\mathrm{C}-)$ |
| 2.33 GPA pts | 2.0 GPA pts | 1.67 GPA pts |
| $67-69(\mathrm{D}+)$ | $63-66(\mathrm{D})$ | $60-62(\mathrm{D}-)$ |
| 1.33 GPA pts | 1.0 GPA pts | 0.67 GPA pts |
|  |  | 59 \& below (F) |
|  |  | 0 GPA pts |

Tabor's student body is composed entirely of college preparatory students, ninety-nine percent of whom attend competitive, four-year colleges. Given the school's selective admissions policy and academic strength, class rank in such a group is misleading. As such, Tabor does not calculate class rank.


## English: 4 credits

Mathematics and Computer Science: 3 credits (4 recommended)

## Science: 2 credits

(Including Biology)

History/Social Science: 2 credits (Including United States History)

Modern and Classical Languages: ( 3 credits of 1 foreign language (through Level 3) or 2 credits of 2 languages)

## Fine \& Performing Arts:

(students entering 9th grade, 6 units) (students entering 1oth grade, 4 units) (students entering 11th grade, 2 units)

## MOST ADVANCED COURSES AVAILABLE

* Students must meet academic requirement and receive teacher recommendation to be considered for Honors or AT Courses

Honors Courage \& Conviction in Literature Advanced Topics: Multi-Genre Literature Advanced Topics: Rhetoric \& Composition

Honors Algebra 2
Honors Precalculus
Advanced Topics: Calculus AB
Advanced Topics: Calculus BC
Honors Calculus Seminar
(Prerequisite: AP Calculus BC)
Advanced Topics: Diff Eq \& Linear Algebra Advanced Topics: Statistics
Advanced Topics: Computer Science
Honors Chemistry
Honors Physics
Advanced Topics: Biology
Advanced Topics: Calculus Based Physics
Advanced Topics: Chemistry
Advanced Topics: Environmental Science
Advanced Topics: Marine Science
Honors United States History
Advanced Topics: Macroeconomics
Advanced Topics: United States Government
Advanced Topics: United States History
Advanced Topics: World History
Honors Chinese Levels 2 and 3
Honors French Levels 2 and 3
Honors Latin Levels 2 and 3
Honors Spanish Levels 2 and 3
Advanced Topics: Chinese
Advanced Topics: French Language \& Culture
Advanced Topics: French Literature \& Film
Advanced Topics: Latin
Advanced Topics: Latin 2
Advanced Topics: Spanish Language \& Culture
Advanced Topics: Spanish Literature
Advanced Topics: Ceramics
Advanced Topics: Madrigal Singers
Advanced Topics: Photography
Advanced Topics: String Ensemble
Advanced Topics: Studio Art
Advanced Topics: Wind Ensemble

## ADVANCED TOPICS

Moving beyond the AP curriculum to embrace greater academic rigor and teaching autonomy, Tabor offers advanced-level courses known as Advanced Topics. Students who complete these courses are given the option to take the AP exam if a correpsonding test is offered.

## COVID STATEMENT

2020-2021: For those unable to travel to campus, Tabor offered the option to enroll remotely. Classes were live-streamed to remote students.

## CURRICULAR NOTES

AND SIGNATURE PROGRAMS
Courseload: In general, 9th and 10th graders are expected to carry six courses each trimester, five of which should be in the core academic areas. Students in grades 11 or 12 may choose to carry five courses and forego a sixth elective course.

Marine Science: Capitalizing on our waterfront location and state-of-the-art wet lab, Tabor offers full-year and trimester length courses in marine science. These courses encompass a focus on marine life, ecology, and conservation. Many of these classes include original research. Tabor partners with scientists at the Marine Biological Laboratory in Woods Hole, MA, and University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth, to provide students with additional opportunities.

Naval Honor Program: As a Naval Honor School, a distinction Tabor has maintained since 1941, Tabor may nominate students to each of the Federal Service Academies. In support of this status, Tabor offers academic and co-curricular opportunities in boating and seamanship. Completion of five nautical science units qualifies a student to apply for a Naval Honor certificate.

Senior Projects: Interested seniors may apply to pursue a self-designed project spanning the third trimester. Selected by an academic committee through an iterative proposal process, student projects are supervised by a subject area specialist. Seniors pursuing projects are approved for a reduced co-curricular and/or course schedule according to the project's demands. Projects culminate with finished products, accompanied by daily journal reflections and project analyses, as well as community-wide presentations.

Independent Study: Students may pursue specialized topics beyond our curriculum through an independent study. These occur under the supervision of a faculty member. Students are limited to one independent study per trimester, and with permission, it may replace a sixth course. They are graded on a Pass/Fail basis.

## DISCIPLINARY REPORTING POLICY

It is Tabor's policy to support students in reporting serious disciplinary consequences to colleges. We will notify colleges if an applicant's enrollment as a student at Tabor changes or if the Head of School believes that a circumstance warrants a disclosure. On applications in which a student is asked to disclose disciplinary information to colleges, we counsel them through the process and inform them that failure to disclose is a violation of Tabor's core values. We expect that students answer questions about disciplinary history honestly. If a disciplinary violation occurs after a student has filed an application with a college, the student will notify the school within 10 days of the incident. The student's college counselor will then follow up with colleges directly to confirm receipt of the disciplinary report.

## 2021-2023 COLLEGE MATRICULATION

## *Indicates where 3+ students matriculated.

American University*
Amherst College
Assumption University*
Auburn University
Babson College*
Bates College
Belmont University
Bentley University*
Boston College*
Boston University*
Bowdoin College
Brandeis University*
Brown University
Bryant University*
Bryn Mawr College
Bucknell University*
Carnegie Mellon University
Case Western Reserve University
Central Maine Community College
Chapman University
Clark University
Clarkson University
Colby College*
Colgate University
College of Charleston*
College of the Holy Cross*
Colorado College
Columbia University in the City of New York
Connecticut College*
Cooper Union for the
Advancement of Science and Art
Cornell University*
Dalhousie University
Davidson College
Denison University*
Dickinson College
Drexel University*
Duke University
Eckerd College*
Elmira College
Elms College
Elon University*
Emerson College
Endicott College*
Fairfield University*
Falmouth University
Florida State University
Fordham University*
Furman University
Georgetown University
Georgia Institute of Technology
Gettysburg College
Grinnell College
Hamilton College*
Harvard University
Hawaii Pacific University
High Point University
Hobart William Smith Colleges*
Howard University

Illinois Institute of Technology
Indiana University-Bloomington
Ithaca College
Johns Hopkins University
Kenyon College
Lafayette College*
Lehigh University
Loyola Marymount University*
Loyola University Chicago*
Loyola University Maryland
Lynn University
Maine Maritime Academy
Massachusetts Maritime Academy
Miami University, Oxford
Michigan State University
Middlebury College
Mount Holyoke College
Nazareth College
New York University
Northeastern University*
Northwestern University
Occidental College
Ohio State University
Pennsylvania State University*
Pratt Institute-Main
Princeton University
Providence College*
Queen's University
Reed College
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute*
Rhode Island School of Design
Rice University
Rochester Institute of Technology*
Rollins College
Rutgers University-New Brunswick
Sacred Heart University*
Saint Michael's College
San Diego State University
Santa Clara University*
School of the Art Institute of Chicago
Seattle University
Simmons University
Skidmore College
Smith College
Spelman College
St. John Fisher University
St. Lawrence University*
St. Mary's College of Maryland
Syracuse University*
Texas Christian University
The George Washington University
The Glasgow School of Art
The New School
The University of Alabama
The University of British Columbia
The University of North Carolina
at Chapel Hill
The University of Tampa
The University of Tennessee-Knoxville

The University of Texas at Austin*
The University of Virginia's College at Wise
Trinity College*
Trinity College Dublin*
Tufts University
Tulane University of Louisiana*
Union College (NY)*
United States Coast Guard Academy
University College Dublin
University College London
University of California-Berkeley*
University of California-Davis
University of California-Irvine
University of California-Los Angeles
University of California-San Diego
University of California-Santa Cruz
University of Chicago
University of Colorado Boulder
University of Connecticut
University of Denver*
University of Glasgow
University of Maine
University of Massachusetts-Amherst
University of Massachusetts-Boston
University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth*
University of Massachusetts-Lowell
University of Miami*
University of New England
University of New Hampshire*
University of Notre Dame
University of Oregon
University of Pennsylvania*
University of Pittsburgh
University of Rhode Island
University of Richmond*
University of Rochester
University of San Francisco
University of Southampton
University of Southern California*
University of St Andrews
University of the Arts London
University of Utah
University of Vermont*
University of Virginia*
University of Washington
University of Wisconsin
Utica University
Vassar College*
Villanova University*
Wagner College
Wake Forest University
Washington and Lee University
Webb Institute
Wesleyan University
West Virginia University
Wheaton College - Massachusetts
William \& Mary
Worcester Polytechnic Institute*

