

KENT SCHOOL

PROFILE 2023-2024



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Accreditation

New England Association of Schools and Colleges **CEEB Code**

070330

SCHOOL

Kent School, a coed boarding school two hours north of New York City, is a leader in whole-student education for students in grades 9-12 (with a post-graduate or PG-year option). We believe the best and deepest learning occurs within the context of a community. Kent's intentional focus on our students' intellectual, social, ethical, and spiritual growth creates an environment of belonging and kindness that empowers our students to thrive.

A Kent education promotes the development of active empathy, servant leadership, critical and creative thinking, effective communication, and engaged citizenship. Kent students flourish as they engage with our demanding college preparatory curriculum; competitive athletics teams; numerous arts programs; and our emphasis on leadership, wellness, and community service.

MISSION STATEMENT

We are guided by our motto — Simplicity of Life, Directness of Purpose, Self-Reliance — to educate our students intellectually, socially, ethically, and spiritually so that they will be prepared to contribute to the common good in the world beyond Kent School.



BY THE NUMBERS

Students

520 520 students (91% boarding)

Students come from

30 states

34 countries represented



Campus

acres, including a section of 1200 the Appalachian Trail and Housatonic River

miles of cross-country trails 10

mile to the center of town

10

Average class size

153

students in the Class of 2024

35%

of students receive financial aid

Academics

75

teaching faculty

71%

of faculty members who hold advanced degrees

6:1

Student to faculty ratio

24

Advanced Studies courses

Applied

Learning Engineering **Programs**

multi-level languages including Chinese, Latin, and Ancient Greek

COURSE LOAD

At least five major courses every trimester of the four years. Sixth formers may take four Advanced Studies courses as a normal load, and may take one elective per term on an Honors-Pass-Fail basis. Classes are held six days a week. Each class period is 50 minutes in length. Weekly chapel or equivalent religious service is required. All students participate in a daily work program to support the community.

RIGOR OF COURSE LOAD

Rigor of course load is based on courses taken at Kent School only.

Rigor is determined by counting one point per year for Honors courses, two points for Accelerated and Advanced Studies courses, and three points for other Advanced Studies Diploma requirements. Levels of rigor are Average College Preparatory, Demanding, Very Demanding and Most Demanding.

Class of 2023

- 65 (44%) students had a Most Demanding course load
- 35 (24%) students had a Very Demanding course load
- 26 (17%) students had a Demanding course load
- 23 (15%) students had an Average College Preparatory course load

GRADING SYSTEM, RANK IN CLASS AND GPA

- Kent records letter grades on an unweighted 4.0 GPA scale
- · Kent does not calculate a student's cumulative GPA or class rank
- Mathematics and Science Departments offer four levels of curricular rigor: Advanced Studies, Accelerated, Honors and Regular
- · Accelerated courses are more selective than honors courses
- Only one transcript grade (the final grade) for year-long major courses is recorded

Grades Available

Fall term (December) Winter term (March) Spring term (June)

Course credit value:

Full year major = 1 credit
One term major = 1/3 credit
One term minor = 1/6 credit
Musical group = 1/6 credit

ACT Test Scores (Mean)

	2021	2022	2023
English	27.1	26.3	28.2
Math	26.7	25.3	27.4
Reading	28.0	27.6	29.9
Science	26.5	25.4	27.5
STEM	20.0	20.1	22.2
Composite	27.0	26.0	28.1

SAT Test Scores (Mean)

	2021	2022	2023
Reading/ Writing	638	647	651
Math	655	665	662
Total	1293	1312	1313

DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS

Subject	Requirement	
English	4 years	
Math	3 years	
Foreign Languages	3 levels	
Science	2 years with labs	
History	2 years including History	
Theology	1 trimester	
Visual Art	1 trimester	
New Student Seminar	1 trimester	
Performing Arts:		
	1 trimester course, or	
Music	3 trimesters of lessons, or	
	3 trimesters of practical participation	
or Dance	1 trimester course	
or Theatre	1 trimester course	

ADVANCED STUDIES DIPLOMA

Kent is committed to opportunities for college-level work. Kent's curriculum features a series of Advanced Studies courses that encourage independent scholarship.

Students may also choose to graduate with an Advanced Studies diploma in a discipline or program of their choice. To do so, they will complete a series of prerequisite courses and prepare a body of work that is of sufficient complexity and depth to warrant the Advanced Studies designation.

Artifacts of deep learning might include a research paper; a chapbook of poems; a suite of musical or theatrical performances; a portfolio of drawings or paintings; a translation from a second language; a report of laboratory or field explorations; an exposition of mathematical ideas; an engineering solution; and so on.

The Advanced Studies program is to be implemented over a three-year period. The Class of 2024 will feature diplomas in STEM fields like engineering and mathematics.

Other Changes

- Students may now take Statistics in their Sixth Form year, a course equal in rigor to Introduction to Calculus.
- AS Calculus BC has been retitled Advanced Studies Calculus, and AS Calculus AB renamed Honors Calculus.
- AS US History will no longer be offered. Instead, students in the Fourth or Ffth Form year may pursue the study of US History from a chronological or thematic perspective.

UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA

FORDHAM UNIVERSITY - 7

FRANKLIN & MARSHALL COLLEGE - 2

ALFRED UNIVERSITY GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY - 6 RICE UNIVERSITY AMERICAN UNIVERSITY GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY - 7 UNIVERSITY OF RICHMOND - 2 AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF PARIS - 2 GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY ROANOKE COLLEGE UNIVERSITY OF GLASGOW BABSON COLLEGE - 7 ROCHESTER INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY - 2 BARNARD COLLEGE HAMILTON COLLEGE - 8 UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER - 2 BATES COLLEGE - 2 HARVARD UNIVERSITY - 3 SACRED HEART UNIVERSITY HAVERFORD COLLEGE - 3 BELLARMINE UNIVERSITY SALVE REGINA UNIVERSITY BENTLEY UNIVERSITY - 3 HIGH POINT UNIVERSITY UNIVERSITY OF SAN DIEGO BOSTON COLLEGE - 8 HOBART & WILLIAM SMITH COLLEGES - 3 UNIVERSITY OF SAN FRANCISCO **BOSTON UNIVERSITY - 15** HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY SANTA CLARA UNIVERSITY - 2 COLLEGE OF THE HOLY CROSS - 2 SANTA FE COLLEGE **BOWDOIN COLLEGE** BRANDEIS LINIVERSITY UNIV. OF ILLINOIS-URBANA-CHAMPAIGN - 2 SAVANNAH COLLEGE OF ART & DESIGN - 2 UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA INDIANA UNIVERSITY-BLOOMINGTON - 3 SKIDMORE COLLEGE - 2 BROWN UNIVERSITY - 2 JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY - 2 SMITH COLLEGE JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY - 3 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA - 5 BRYANT UNIVERSITY - 2 **BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY - 4 KENYON COLLEGE - 3** SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY - 7 CA POLYTECHNIC STATE U.-SAN LUIS OBISPO - 2 LAFAYETTE COLLEGE - 3 UNIVERSITY OF ST. ANDREWS - 6 UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA-BERKELEY **LEHIGH UNIVERSITY - 3** ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA-IRVINE - 4 ST LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY - 5 UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA-LOS ANGELES - 5 LOYOLA MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY - 2 ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA-SAN DIEGO LOYOLA UNIVERSITY MARYLAND STONEHILL COLLEGE UNIVERSITY OF MAINE - 2 UNIV. OF CALIFORNIA-SANTA BARBARA - 2 SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY - 6 CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY - 2 MARIST COLLEGE - 2 LINIVERSITY OF TAMPA - 2 CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY - 2 MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY TEMPLE UNIVERSITY CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA MASSACHUSETTS INST. OF TECHNOLOGY - 2 TEXAS A & M UNIVERSITY - 2 CHAPMAN UNIVERSITY - 2 MASSACHUSETTS MARITIME ACADEMY TEXAS CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY CHATHAM UNIVERSITY MIAMI UNIVERSITY (OH) - 2 UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS-AUSTIN COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI - 6 THOMAS JEFFERSON UNIVERSITY UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO - 3 UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN-ANN ARBOR - 2 UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO - 2 CHRISTOPHER NEWPORT UNIVERSITY MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE - 3 TRINITY COLLEGE - 17 MILLERSVILLE UNIVERSITY (PA) TUFTS UNIVERSITY - 7 CLAREMONT MCKENNA COLLEGE CLARK UNIVERSITY - 2 UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI TULANE UNIVERSITY - 5 **CLEMSON UNIVERSITY** MONROE COLLEGE - NEW ROCHELLE UNION COLLEGE (NY) - 2 COLBY COLLEGE - 6 MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO-BOULDER - 2 NEWCASTLE UNIVERSITY UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY - 6 COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY - 9 UNIVERSITY OF NEW ENGLAND VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY - 3 **CONNECTICUT COLLEGE - 3** THE NEW SCHOOL - 2 VASSAR COLLEGE - 2 UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT - 4 NEW YORK UNIVERSITY - 14 UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT - 4 **CORNELL UNIVERSITY - 8** NIAGARA UNIVERSITY VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY - 7 DARTMOUTH COLLEGE NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY-RALEIGH VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA-CHAPEL HILL **DENISON UNIVERSITY** VIRGINIA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE UNIVERSITY OF DENVER - 3 NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY - 15 UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA - 2 DICKINSON COLLEGE NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY - 2 WAGNER COLLEGE UNIV. OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME - 2 WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY - 3 DREXEL UNIVERSITY OCCIDENTAL COLLEGE WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY IN ST. LOUIS - 4 DUKE UNIVERSITY UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA - 4 EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON-TACOMA EASTERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH - 2 UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO ELON LINIVEDSITY PRINCETON LINIVERSITY - 6 WELLESLEY COLLEGE - 2 PROVIDENCE COLLEGE - 2 WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY - 6 EMERSON COLLEGE - 2 EMMANUEL COLLEGE - 3 PURDUE UNIVERSITY - 2 WILKES UNIVERSITY **EMORY UNIVERSITY - 6** QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY BELFAST COLLEGE OF WILLIAM & MARY - 4 QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY FLORIDA STATE LINIVERSITY WILLIAMS COLLEGE - 4

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RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL OF DESIGN - 3

UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON - 3

WORCESTER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE

YALE UNIVERSITY - 2