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School Profile 2024-2025

Dexter Southfield is an independent, college-preparatory, coeducational day school. Dexter School (founded in 1926) and Southfield School (founded in 1992) merged in 2013.

Students are provided a foundation for excellence as they gain the character, confidence, and compassion to become leaders, lifelong learners, and engaged citizens. Character education and leadership lessons are part of daily practice. Dexter Southfield builds individuals of strong character and action to become leaders in the world. Students live by the motto, "*Our Best Today, Better Tomorrow.*"

DEXTER SOUTHFIELD AT A GLANCE

**PreK
THROUGH
Class 12**

TOTAL ENROLLMENT
1,094

456
STUDENTS IN
UPPER SCHOOL

84
COMMUNITIES
REPRESENTED

100%
OF GRADUATES
MATRICULATE TO
FOUR-YEAR COLLEGES

123
STUDENTS
IN CLASS 12

ACADEMIC COURSE
EXPECTATIONS
5
PER SEMESTER

34
HONORS COURSES
AVAILABLE

21
AP COURSES
OFFERED

32%
OF UPPER SCHOOL
STUDENTS RECEIVE
FINANCIAL AID

24%
OF THE CLASS OF 2024
RECRUITED TO PLAY
VARSITY ATHLETICS
AT COLLEGIATE LEVEL

Class Rank: Students are not ranked.

Reporting Discipline: The School does not disclose student discipline to colleges unless the School decides that a student's standing at Dexter Southfield is in doubt because of the student's actions. Questions about reporting discipline should be directed to Brian LaRochelle, Director of College Counseling.

The Cum Laude Society: Induction for Class 12 students is in the fall and spring, and is based on scholarship, character, and devotion to excellence.

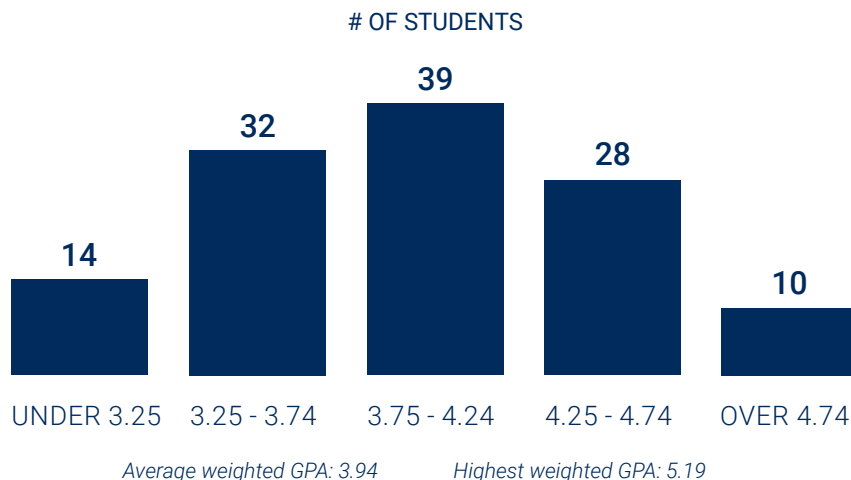
School Memberships & Accreditation: NAIS, AISNE, NACAC, BISCCA, ACCIS, New England Association of Schools and Colleges

GPA GRADING SCALE

A student's cumulative unweighted GPA is inclusive of all academic course grades earned through the last completed school year. The end-of-year weighted GPA is given one additional point for Honors and AP courses. *Individual grades are not weighted.*

LETTER GRADE	NUMBER VALUE	LETTER GRADE	NUMBER VALUE
A+	(4.30+)	C+	(2.30-2.69)
A	(4.00-4.29)	C	(2.00-2.29)
A-	(3.70-3.99)	C-	(1.70-1.99)
B+	(3.30-3.69)	D+	(1.30-1.69)
B	(3.00-3.29)	D	(1.00-1.29)
B-	(2.70-2.99)	D-	(0.70-0.99)

Class of 2025 Weighted GPA Distribution



HONORS & HIGH HONORS DISTINCTIONS

Awarded at the end of Semester I and Semester II.

- **Academic Honors:** Students who earn a weighted GPA of 3.7 (A-) or above and have no grade lower than a B- for their courses will receive the distinction of Academic Honors.
- **Academic High Honors:** Students who earn a weighted GPA of 3.7 (A-) or above and have no grade lower than an A- for their courses will receive the distinction of Academic High Honors.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- **Public Speaking:** Students learn to speak and write effectively by preparing and delivering an annual public address to fellow students, faculty, and administrators.
- **Community Service:** All students must complete at least 40 hours of community service prior to graduation.
- **Senior Independent Learning Experience:** In May, seniors explore passions or new areas of interest through real-world experiences. Students are required to complete 90 hours of supervised activity, reflect about their experience, and present to a panel of peers and faculty to showcase the culmination of their work.



AP courses and Honors-level electives are typically available starting in the junior year.
Enrolling in 3+ AP courses requires administrative approval.

ENGLISH (4 YEARS)

- AP English Language and Composition
- AP English Literature and Composition
- American Literature Honors
- Ethical Philosophy Honors Seminar
- Individual in Society Honors
- Literary Study Honors
- Literature of Social Justice Honors
- Modernism: A Culture Honors
- Rise of Gothic and Horror in Literature Honors**
- World Literature Honors

**HISTORY AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
(3 YEARS WITH US HISTORY)**

- AP Art History**
- AP Comparative Government and Politics**
- AP Economics
- AP Human Geography
- AP US Government & Politics
- AP US History
- Ancient World History Honors
- British Imperialism Honors
- Constitutional Law Honors
- Economics Honors**
- Entrepreneurship Honors*
- Finance Honors*
- Macroeconomics Honors*
- Microeconomics Honors*
- Modern World History Honors
- Today's China & Japan Honors
- Understanding 9/11 Honors
- US History Honors

**MATH & COMPUTER SCIENCE
(3 YEARS WITH ALGEBRA II)**

- AP Calculus AB
- AP Calculus BC
- AP Computer Science**
- AP Computer Science A
- AP Pre-Calculus*
- AP Statistics
- Advanced Math Topics Honors (post AP)**
- Algebra II Honors
- Calculus Honors
- Integrated Algebra and Geometry Honors*
- Geometry Honors**
- Multivariable Calculus Honors*
- Pre-Calculus Honors

LANGUAGE (3 LEVELS)

- AP French Language and Culture
- AP Latin
- AP Spanish Language and Culture
- AP Spanish Literature
- French II Honors
- French III Honors
- French IV Honors
- French V Honors**
- Latin II Honors
- Latin III Honors
- Latin Literature Honors I
- Latin Literature Honors II
- Spanish II Honors
- Spanish III Honors
- Spanish IV Honors
- Spanish V Honors

LAB SCIENCE (3 YEARS)

- AP Biology
- AP Chemistry
- AP Environmental Science
- AP Physics C Mechanics
- AP Physics Mechanics**
- Bioethics Honors
- Biology Honors
- Chemistry Honors
- Immunology Honors**
- Neuroscience Honors
- MEDscience Honors
- MEDscience Lab Honors
- Physics Honors

VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS (3 SEMESTERS)

- AP Music Theory
- AP Studio Art
- Advanced Studio Art Honors
- Portfolio Prep Honors**

* New course offering in 2024-2025
** Course not offered in 2024-2025

Dexter Southfield graduates have matriculated to the following colleges and universities over the past five years.

Ten or more graduates enrolled

Babson College

Boston College

Boston University

Colby College

Northeastern University*

Providence College

Syracuse University

Trinity College*

Tufts University

Five to nine graduates enrolled

Bentley University*

Bucknell University

Clemson University

Colgate University

College of Charleston

College of the Holy Cross

Elon University

Hamilton College

Harvard College*

New York University

Tulane University

Union College

University of Massachusetts Amherst

University of Miami

University of Michigan

University of Vermont

University of Virginia

Wake Forest University

Two to four graduates enrolled

Amherst College

Arizona State University

Bates College

Brown University

The Catholic University of America

Clark University

Coastal Carolina University

Columbia University

Connecticut College

Cornell University

Dartmouth College

Duke University

Endicott College

Fairfield University

Fordham University

Georgetown University

The George Washington University

Indiana University-Bloomington

Kenyon College

Lehigh University

Loyola Marymount University

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Merrimack College

Middlebury College

Northwestern University

The Ohio State University

Quinnipiac University

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Roger Williams University

Rollins College

Sacred Heart University

Saint Anselm College

Santa Clara University

Skidmore College

Southern Methodist University

St. Lawrence University

Temple University

Texas Christian University

University of California, Berkeley

University of Chicago

University of Colorado Boulder

University of Connecticut

University of Denver

University of Massachusetts Dartmouth

University of New England

University of Notre Dame

University of Pennsylvania

University of Richmond

University of Rochester

University of Wisconsin-Madison

Villanova University

Virginia Tech

Washington University in St. Louis

Wesleyan University

Worcester Polytechnic Institute

One graduate enrolled

American University

Bowdoin College

Brandeis University

Canisius University

Carleton College

Colorado College

Davidson College

Flagler College

Florida Atlantic University

Hobart and William Smith Colleges

Ithaca College

Johns Hopkins University

Kalamazoo College

Loyola University Maryland

**Massachusetts College of Pharmacy
and Health Sciences**

Michigan State University

Missouri State University

Newcastle University

Norwich University

Occidental College

Old Dominion University

Olin College of Engineering

Pennsylvania State University

Pratt Institute

Rhodes College

Rice University

Rutgers University – New Brunswick

Saint Joseph's University

Saint Louis University

Saint Michael's College

San Diego State University

San Jacinto College

Sarah Lawrence College

Southern New Hampshire University

Spelman College

Stanford University

Suffolk University

United States Coast Guard Academy

The University of Alabama

University of Arizona

University of Delaware

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

University of Limerick

University of Massachusetts Lowell

University of Mississippi

University of New Hampshire

University of New Haven

University of North Carolina at Charlotte

University of Notre Dame – Holy Cross

College Gateway Program

University of Rhode Island

University of South Carolina

University of St. Andrews

The University of Texas at Austin

The University of Western Ontario

Vanderbilt University

Vassar College

Wentworth Institute of Technology

West Virginia University

Wheaton College (IL)

Wheaton College (MA)

Xavier University

Bolded schools: One or more members of the Class of 2024 matriculated

* **schools:** One or more alumni matriculated following gap programs