Eagle Hill School

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School Profile 2026-2027

HISTORY

Established in 1967, Eagle Hill is an independent boarding school located in Hardwick, Massachusetts. Serving a co-educational population of 215 young men and women in grades eight through twelve, Eagle Hill is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges and recognized for its expertise in developing individualized courses of study for students described as learning disabled.

PHILOSOPHY

Following its education philosophy of learning diversity, Eagle Hill provides each student with a challenging course of study and individualized academic support. The student-to-teacher ratio allows for an intimate learning environment, and class sections are curated carefully with consideration given to academic achievement, pace of instruction, and a myriad of other factors.

DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS AND ACADEMIC CREDIT

One academic credit is awarded for each term completed in each course. Following a traditional four-year program of study, students enroll in 216 credits (i.e., 6 classes x 9 terms x 4 years). Successful completion of 200 credits is required for graduation. Minimum distribution area requirements are outlined in the table below. A final course grade of D or better is required for course credit.

	MINIMUM CREDITS **REQUIRED** FOR GRADUATION	**REQUIRED** COURSE(S)	MINIMUM CREDITS **RECOMMENDED** FOR FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE PREPARATION
ARTS AND HUMANITIES English Diversity and Social Justice History Visual and Performing Arts World Language	86	Government (8) Social Construction of Identity (3)	108
QUANTITATIVE REASONING Math Science Computer Applications Computer Science	58	Biology (8)	70
CORE ENRICHMENT Social Emotional Wellbeing College Counseling Physical Education	22	Seminar on Learning (1) College Orientation (3) Personal Finance (3) Physical Education or Athletics (12)*	22

*3 credits are awarded for each season in which a student participates in athletics; 4 credits must be earned through coursework.

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CURRICULUM

Working with an academic advisor, each student prepares a unique course of study at Eagle Hill School, meeting the school's distribution requirements detailed above and allowing each student to develop core academic competencies for advanced study, explore diverse subject matters, and pursue his or her passions as a student. The school's nine-term academic calendar and innovative scheduling allow students greater flexibility in preparing individualized course plans. See the sample below:

TERM DATES Approximate	**TERM 1** 9/12-10/4	**TERM 2** 10/5-11/1	**TERM 3** 11/2-12/5	**TERM 4** 12/6-1/12	**TERM 5** 1/16-2/7	**TERM 6** 2/8-3/11	**TERM 7** 3/12-4/3	**TERM 8** 4/4-5/7	**TERM 9** 5/8-5/30
COM. PREP 7:45-8:39	Dedicated Extra Help Time								
PERIOD 1 8:43-9:37	Health			Reading and Writing Critical Analysis					
PERIOD 2 9:41-10:35	Public Speaking	Anatomy and Physiology							
PERIOD 3 10:39-11:33	Trigonometry								Making with Metal
PERIOD 4 11:37-12:31	College Orientation			Golf Statistics	Physical Education		Woodworking		
LUNCH 12:35-1:15									
PERIOD 5 1:19-2:13	Daily Rituals	Government							
PERIOD 6 2:17-3:11	Post Modern Literature						Anthropology		
OFFICE HOURS 3:11-3:34	Dedicated Extra Help Time								

Sample Schedule

GRADING SYSTEM

93-100 = A	87-89 = B+	77-79 = C+	67-69 = D+
90-92 = A-	83-86 = B	73-76 = C	65-66 = D
	80-82 = B-	70-72 = C-	0-64 = F

CUMULATIVE GRADE POINT AVERAGE AND CLASS RANK

Class rank and GPA are not routinely reported at Eagle Hill. The school chooses not to use a system that measures students against one another.

HONOR ROLL AND ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Students who earn a term average of B+ or better with no grade below B- are recognized on the academic honor roll. Honor Roll recognition is awarded three times each year, at the conclusion of terms three, six, and nine. Students who earn a place on the academic honor roll throughout the year are recognized with the Academic Excellence award.

SCHOOL DISCIPLINE REPORTS

When asked, Eagle Hill School reports all at-home suspensions that occur during a student's senior year and all major infractions of the code of student conduct (e.g., harm to an individual or the community, a pattern of inappropriate behavior) for a student's entire tenure at Eagle Hill.

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE AND ADVANCED PLACEMENT

Eagle Hill offers the IB Diploma Programme beginning in the junior year. Students not enrolled in the full diploma Programme may take several IB courses.

Only schools authorized by the IB Organization can offer any of its four academic programmes: the Primary Years Programme (PYP), the Middle Years Programme (MYP), the Diploma Programme or the Career-related Programme. Eagle Hill School is authorized to offer the IB Diploma Programme. For further information about the IB and its programmes, visit http://www.ibo.org.

Eagle Hill School does not offer AP courses.

HONORS PROJECTS

Students interested in completing advanced independent study in an academic subject can submit a proposal to complete an honors project. The proposal must be approved by the committee of academic department chairs. Upon completion, the project is reviewed by faculty based upon the following criteria: soundness of research, effectiveness of performance and presentation, and evidence of original scholarship. Students accepted for honors projects commit themselves to a greater level of academic independence and to an additional workload. Projects may be short-term or may take multiple years to complete. Successful completion of an honors project is noted on the transcript.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE PROGRAM

Eagle Hill offers a full foreign language program but does not require enrollment in a class for graduation. Foreign language study is not recommended for every student at Eagle Hill. Students work closely with an advisor to select courses appropriate for them.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Eagle Hill requires each student to complete 10 hours of community service for each year enrolled in grades nine through twelve. Most students far exceed this requirement.

96% of Eagle Hill graduates matriculate to a four-year college.

Five-Year Matriculation List

Adelphi University
Alfred University
American University
Assumption University
Auburn University
Austin College
Belmont Abbey College
Belmont University
Boston University
Bryant University
Bucknell University
Butler University
California Polytechnic State University (San Luis Obispo)
Champlain College
Chapman University
Clark University
Clarkson University
Coastal Carolina University
Colby-Sawyer College
College of Charleston
Connecticut College
Creighton University
Curry College
Dean College
Denison University
Dickinson College
Drexel University
Dynamy Internship Gap Year
EF Gap Year
Elon University
Emerson College
Emmanuel College
Endicott College
Fairleigh Dickinson University
Flagler College
Florida Institute of Technology
Georgetown University
Gettysburg College
Glion Institute
High Point University
Hobart and Williams Smith College
Hofstra University
Howard University
Indiana University (Bloomington)
Iona University
Ithaca College
James Madison University
Johnson & Wales University - RI
Kennesaw State University
Kent State University
Kenyon College
Landmark College
Le Cordon Bleu
Long Island University - Post
Loyola Marymount University
Loyola University New Orleans
Lynn University
Marist University
Marquette University
Marshall University
Mass College of Liberal Arts
Massachusetts Maritime Academy
McDaniel College
Merrimack College
Michigan Technological University
Montclair State University
Morehead State University
Morgan State University
Mount Wachusett Community College
New England Institute of Technology
Northeastern University
North Carolina A&T State University
North Shore Community College
Parsons School of Design at the New School
Occidental College
Ohio Wesleyan University
Pace University (New York City)
Pennsylvania College of Technology
Pitzer College
Plymouth State University
Rochester Institute of Technology
Rhode Island School of Design
Roger Williams University
Rollins College
Sacred Heart University
Saint Michael's College
Sarah Lawrence College
Skidmore College
Southern New Hampshire University
Southern Oregon University
Stevens Institute of Technology
Stonehill College
SUNY College of Agriculture and Technology (Cobleskill)
SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry
Syracuse University
Texas A&M University
Texas Christian University
The College of New Jersey
The College of Wooster
The George Washington University
The Ohio State University
The University of Alabama
The University of Arizona
The University of Tampa
Trinidad State College
Trinity College
Tulane University of Louisiana
Union College
University of California (Berkeley)
University of California (Irvine)
University of Chicago
University ofColorado (Boulder)
University of Denver
University of Hartford
University of Georgia
University of Michigan (Dearborn)
University of Mississippi
University of New England
University of New Hampshire (Main Campus)
University of New Haven
University of Oregon
University of Pittsburgh
University of Puget Sound
University of Rhode Island
University of South Carolina
University of Southern Maine
University of Vermont
University of Virginia
Vassar College
Villanova University
Wellesley College
Wheaton College (MA)
Wentworth Institute of Technology
Western Colorado University
Western New England University
Westfield State University
Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Xavier University