

Kagetora Takagi, Class of 2029

"When I first came here, I was nervous because I didn't speak English very well, but my friends helped me and now in my second year I get to learn new and exciting things."

I started ballet in Japan, and my teachers asked me if I wanted to go to the U.S. I started with the summer program with Bossov Ballet at MCI, and then joined for the full year this year. Natalya is a very good teacher, she helps out with energy and always wants to give technical advice and use her own experience. Everyone here is kind, if I don't know the English we can still talk and my friends will teach me, espeically with ballet before and after rehearsal.

In the dorms, we have an Olympics where we play stuff like dodgeball and basketball, it's a lot of fun. I have friends from Spain and Korea and around the world, everyone is kind and on the weekends people make food for each other and play games. Before I came here I was nervous, but if you come here there will be people to help you and the MCI teachers are also so kind.

Favorite Activity: Bossov Ballet Theatre
Favorite Memory: Dancing in The Nutcracker
Favorite Class: History

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Founded in
1866

Maine is Rated the
#1 Safest State
in the U.S.
by U.S. News & World Report (2023)

Students from
15+
Countries

11:1
Student to Faculty Ratio



Founded in 1866, Maine Central Institute engages a **multicultural student body with diverse abilities and interests** in a rigorous and comprehensive college and career preparatory experience. MCI proudly welcomes day and boarding students who come to Maine for the independent school experience for **grades 9-12 and PG year**.

Boarding and day students engage with one another and strengthen our diverse and global community. Students will learn about different perspectives and cultures while continuing to develop their worldviews.

Maine Central Institute offers the **intimacy of a small New England boarding school**, while also nurturing a large global community of **lifelong learners**. MCI provides a nurturing and challenging community that encourages students to explore their current interests and future potential.

MCI helps students determine their needs and prepares them for whatever road they decide to take.

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