



ST. SEBASTIAN'S SCHOOL

1191 Greendale Avenue | Needham, MA 02492

2026-2027 PROFILE

CEEB Code Number: 221545

THE SCHOOL

Committed to the pursuit of truth through faith and reason, St. Sebastian's is a Catholic independent day school for young men in grades seven through twelve. St. Sebastian's offers a program of academic rigor and spiritual depth with excellence in the arts and athletics. The ideal St. Sebastian's graduate will be a moral and just person, a gentleman of courage, honor, and wisdom, and a life-long learner who continues to grow in his capacity to know, to love, and to serve God and neighbor.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- **Freshman Writing:** This required course, taken in addition to English 9 and in place of history during the freshman year, provides an academic forum in which students develop their ability to express themselves intelligently, accurately, and creatively.
- **Chapel Speaking Program:** Annually, each student writes and delivers a speech in a weekly chapel service, culminating with seniors delivering their speeches in Corporate Chapel to an audience of over 400 members of the school community.
- **Senior Service Project:** Beginning in mid-April, each senior is required to commit a significant number of hours to service in the community. Through weekly discussion groups, seniors are required to reflect upon the meaning of their experience, and to articulate those reflections in an oral presentation.

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

All students who take AP courses are required to take the AP exam

High School Requirements	Most advanced courses available [†]
English – 4 years	AP English Language and Composition AP English Literature (Students do not take AP English until senior year.)
Classical or Modern Language – 3 years	AP Latin Latin 5 Advanced Seminar* Greek* AP Spanish Language and Culture AP Spanish Literature Spanish 6H*
Science – 2 years	AP Biology AP Chemistry AP Physics 2 AP Physics C (Most students do not take AP science until senior year.)
History – 2 years including a year of US History	AP US History AP US Government
Mathematics – 4 years	AP Statistics AP Calculus AB AP Calculus BC AP Computer Science Principles AP Computer Science A Multivariable Calculus* Linear Algebra*
Religion – 4 years	Western Philosophy
Fine Arts - 1 year	AP Studio Art AP Art History AP Music Theory

[†] Most common total AP courses taken is 5. *Course is the equivalent of a first or second year college course.

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AT A GLANCE

- Founded in **1941**
- **390** students enrolled
- **68** towns represented by the student body
- **65** students in class of 2026
- **100%** of the senior class attend a 4-year college
- **65** teaching faculty members
- **7:1** student-faculty ratio
- Average Class Size: **10**
- **20** AP courses
- Over **25** clubs & activities
- **6** student publications
- **14** interscholastic sports
- **100%** of families with demonstrated need will receive financial aid
- **34%** of students receive financial aid
- **\$5.5M** of aid awarded



COLLEGES ENROLLING GRADUATES FROM THE CLASSES OF 2022-2026

Colleges enrolling ten or more graduates

Boston College
College of the Holy Cross
Georgetown University
Harvard University
Providence College
Villanova University

Colleges enrolling five to nine graduates

Boston University
Brown University
Colby College
Duke University
Fairfield University
Fordham University
Middlebury College
Northeastern University

Trinity College
Tufts University
United States Military Academy
University of Michigan
University of Notre Dame
University of Richmond
University of Virginia
Wake Forest University

Colleges enrolling at least one graduate

American International College
Amherst College
Anna Maria College
Babson College
Bates College
Baylor University
Bentley University
Bowdoin College
Bucknell University
Claremont McKenna College
Clark University
Clarkson University
Clemson University
Colgate University
College of Charleston
Colorado College
Cornell University
Culinary Institute of America
Dartmouth College
Dickinson College
Emerson College
Emory University
Gordon State College

Holy Cross College
Howard University
Indiana University
Johns Hopkins University
Lafayette College
Lehigh University
Merrimack College
Miami University
Morehouse College
Northwestern University
Pitzer College
Princeton University
Purdue University
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Seton Hall University
Siena University
Skidmore College
Southern Methodist University
Springfield College
St. Lawrence University
Suffolk University
Syracuse University
Texas Christian University

The Catholic University of America
The University of Edinburgh
Tulane University
Union College
University of California (Los Angeles)
University of Denver
University of Georgia
University of Louisville
University of Maryland
University of Massachusetts (Amherst)
University of Miami
University of Pennsylvania
University of Southern California
University of Tennessee
University of Vermont
University of Wisconsin
Vanderbilt University
Vassar College
Washington University in St. Louis
Western Connecticut State University
Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Xavier University
Yale University