

TABOR ACADEMY

2026-2027 School Profile

FACTS AT A GLANCE

Senior Class: 150
Total Enrollment: 510
Boarders: 374/ Day: 136
Total States: 27
Total Countries: 24
International students: 19%
Teaching Faculty: 73
Average class size: 12
Student/faculty ratio: 6:1

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ABOUT TABOR ACADEMY

Tabor Academy is a four-year coeducational, college preparatory boarding and day school on Sippican Harbor in Marion, Massachusetts. Founded in 1876, Tabor enrolls students from a broad range of ethnic, religious, economic, and international backgrounds, united in a community that finds common ground while honoring differences.

As the "School by the Sea," Tabor's coastal setting is central to its identity. Tabor anchors its community and educational philosophy on the four C's: care, collaboration, courage, and curiosity. These values are woven into student life, academics, and Tabor's maritime culture, with the harbor serving as an extension of the classroom.

This maritime heritage is embodied in the SSV Tabor Boy, a 115-foot sail training vessel owned and operated by the school since 1952, which serves as a platform for leadership, teamwork, and hands-on learning.

WHAT'S NEW

GRADING SCALE AND GPA

Through Spring 2026, grades follow a 100-point scale, with Honors and Advanced courses receiving a .50 weighted GPA factor. Beginning Fall 2026, grades follow a letter scale, with 300-level courses receiving a .30 weighted GPA factor and 400-level courses receiving a .50 weighted GPA factor. GPA points are calculated per the chart below, and official GPA is based on final course averages.

COURSE LEVELS AND CALENDAR

Effective with the 2026–2027 academic year, Tabor Academy revised several components of its academic program. Tabor has transitioned to a semester calendar and implemented a revised course level designation system to more clearly communicate the rigor and progression of the curriculum. Transcripts for current students may therefore include both the previous and current calendar, grading, and course designation systems. These revised course designations more clearly distinguish among levels of academic challenge while reflecting Tabor's commitment to intellectual growth, academic rigor, and increasingly sophisticated scholarship.

400 – Advanced
The most rigorous courses in the curriculum, comparable to college-level study in scope, pace, depth, and expectations. Students must demonstrate strong prior mastery and motivation.

300 – Honors
Rigorous courses that require a high level of academic independence, intellectual curiosity, and sustained effort.

200 – Accelerated College Preparatory
Courses that progress at a faster pace and require increased independence.

100 – College Preparatory
Courses that develop strong foundational skills in the discipline.

Interpretation of Grades and GPA Calculation

Letter Grade	GPA Points	Numerical Grade	Letter Grade	GPA Points	Numerical Grade
A+	4.33+	97-100	C+	2.33	77-79
A	4.00	93-96	C	2.00	73-76
A-	3.67	90-92	C-	1.67	70-72
B+	3.33	87-89	D+	1.33	67-69
B	3.00	83-86	D	1.00	63-66
B-	2.67	80-82	D-	0.67	60-62
			F	0.00	0-59

Class of 2027 Weighted GPA Distribution as of September 2026

GPA Range	% of Class
4.33+	3%
4.00-4.32	12%
3.67-3.99	24%
3.33-3.66	29%
3.00-3.32	18%
<3.00	15%

KEY POINTS FOR ADMISSIONS READERS

- Ninth-grade students pursue an accelerated, college-preparatory program in English, science, and history. In mathematics and world languages, students are placed according to prior preparation and demonstrated proficiency.
- Students in grades 9–11 must take six courses each semester, including a required Health and Wellness course in grade 10.
- Students must fulfill a Fine and Performing Arts requirement; the number of credits required varies depending on the year in which a student enrolls at Tabor.
- Senior year interim grades will be sent for early applicants prior to Thanksgiving, and mid-year (Semester 1) grades will be sent in early February.

COURSE LEVELS OFFERED BY SUBJECT GRADES 9-12

SUBJECT	GRADE 9	GRADE 10	GRADE 11	GRADE 12
Arts	100, 200	100, 200, 300	100, 200, 300, 400	100, 200, 300, 400
English	200	200, 300	200, 300, 400	300, 400
History/Social Sciences	200	200, 300	200, 300, 400	200, 300, 400
Marine and Nautical Science	100	100, 200	100, 200, 400	100, 200, 400
Mathematics and Computer Science	200, 300	100, 200, 300, 400	200, 300, 400	200, 300, 400
Modern and Classical Languages	200, 300	200, 300, 400	200, 300, 400	200, 300, 400
Science	100, 200, 300	100, 200, 300, 400	300, 400	300, 400

Link to Course Catalog

CURRICULAR NOTES AND SIGNATURE PROGRAMS

Courseload: In general, students in grades 9, 10, and 11 are required to carry six grade-bearing courses each semester and may carry five courses only with permission from the Dean of Academics. Of these, five come from the academic disciplines of English, math, science, history, and language. Students in grade 12 may choose to carry five academic courses and forego a sixth elective course.

Marine Science: Capitalizing on our waterfront location and state-of-the-art wet lab, Tabor offers full-year and semester length courses in marine science. These courses encompass a focus on marine life, ecology, and conservation. Many of these classes include original research. Tabor partners with scientists at the Marine Biological Laboratory in Woods Hole, MA, and University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth, to provide students with additional opportunities.

Naval Honor Program: As a United States Navy-designated "Naval Honor School," Tabor is authorized to award a Naval Honor citation to graduating students who have successfully completed necessary requirements within our Nautical Science curriculum.

For a student to be considered for the Naval Honor Certification they must have completed a minimum of 3 term-length courses in the Nautical Science department or Maritime History or Law of the Sea or English Seminar: Literature of the Sea, receiving one unit per term, plus one additional unit from the list below:

- Any additional Nautical Science course or Maritime History or Law of the Sea or Literature of the Sea [1 unit]
- 2 seasons of service aboard SSV TABOR BOY [1 unit]
- 2 full years or 4 seasons with the Sailing Team or instructional program [1 unit]
- 2 full years or 4 seasons with the Crew Team or rowing program [1 unit]
- Full participation in the Leadership on the Sea seminar program in the 12th grade year, accompanying classes, and summative assessment [1 unit]

Candidates for the certification must maintain an average of B- or better in Nautical Science courses and an overall Tabor GPA of 3.00 or better.

Senior Projects: The Senior Project is an opportunity for interested seniors to take a reduced course and/or co-curricular load in the second half of Semester 2 of their senior year to pursue an independent project of their own design with oversight from a project advisor. A student who wishes to undertake a senior project is also expected to complete their English course and any Advanced courses. Initial senior project applications are due in late fall/early winter and are subject to a review and approval process. For those students undertaking a senior project, successful completion becomes a requirement for graduation.

Independent Study: Students may pursue specialized topics beyond our curriculum through an independent study. These occur under the supervision of a faculty member. Students are limited to one independent study per semester, and with permission, it may replace a sixth course. They are graded on a Pass/Fail basis.

2024-2026 COLLEGE MATRICULATION

*indicates where 3+ students matriculated

American International College*
American University*
Amherst College
Assumption University*
Auburn University
Babson College*
Bates College
Bentley University*
Boston College*
Boston University*
Brandeis University*
Brown University*
Bryant University
Bucknell University*
California Polytechnic State University-San Luis Obispo
Carnegie Mellon University
Chapman University
Clemson University
Colby College*
Colgate University
College of Charleston
College of the Holy Cross*
Colorado College*
Colorado School of Mines
Columbia University*
Community College of Rhode Island
Concordia University
Connecticut College*
Cornell University*
Davidson College
Delaware State University
Dickinson College
Drexel University
Duke University
East Carolina University
Eckerd College
Elon University*
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
Emmanuel College
Emory University
Endicott College
Fairfield University*
Ferris State University
Florida Atlantic University
Florida Institute of Technology
Fordham University*
Franklin and Marshall College
George Washington University*
Georgetown University*
Georgia State University
Gettysburg College
Harvard University
Hobart William Smith Colleges*
Howard University
Indiana University - Bloomington*
James Madison University
Keene State College
Kenyon College
Lafayette College*
Lake Forest College
Laval University
Lehigh University
Loyola Marymount University
Loyola University Maryland
Macalester College
Marist University
Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences
Massachusetts Maritime Academy*
McGill University
Merrimack College
Michigan State University
Mount Holyoke College
New York University*
North Carolina State University at Raleigh
Northeastern University*
Northwestern University*
Norwich University
Nova Southeastern University
Oberlin College
Occidental College
Pennsylvania State University*
Pepperdine University
Providence College*
Purdue University*
Reed College
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rice University
Rivier University
Roger Williams University
Rollins College
Sacred Heart University*
Saint Anselm College
Saint Michael's College
Salve Regina University
San Diego State University
Santa Clara University
Savannah College of Art and Design
Seton Hill University
Skidmore College*
Smith College
Southern Methodist University
Spelman College
St. John Fisher University
St. John's University
St. Lawrence University
Stevens Institute of Technology
Syracuse University*
Temple University
Texas Christian University
The University of Hong Kong
The University of Tennessee-Knoxville
The University of Texas at Austin
Trinity College
Trinity College Dublin
Tufts University*
Tulane University of Louisiana*
Union College
United States Air Force Academy
University of Alabama
University of Arizona
University of California-Berkeley
University of California-Davis
University of California-Irvine
University of California-Los Angeles*
University of California-San Diego
University of California-Santa Cruz
University of Central Florida
University of Chicago
University of Colorado Boulder*
University of Connecticut
University of Delaware
University of Denver
University of Florida
University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
University of Kentucky
University of Maine
University of Massachusetts-Amherst*
University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth
University of Massachusetts-Lowell*
University of Miami*
University of New Hampshire
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
University of Notre Dame
University of Ottawa
University of Pennsylvania*
University of Pittsburgh*
University of Rhode Island*
University of Richmond
University of Rochester*
University of San Diego
University of South Carolina-Columbia
University of Southern California*
University of St Andrews
University of Tampa*
University of Toronto*
University of Utah
University of Vermont
University of Virginia*
University of Washington
University of Wisconsin-Madison*
University of Wisconsin-Superior
Vanderbilt University
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Wake Forest University
Washington College
Washington University in St. Louis*
Wellesley College
Wesleyan University*
Western Washington University
William & Mary
Yale University*