



Middlesex

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DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHOOL

Middlesex School is a non-sectarian, co-educational preparatory school founded in 1901. The present enrollment is 371, with 182 boys and 189 girls in grades nine through twelve, and **105** students are in the Senior class. The 250 boarding students, comprising 67% of the student body, represent 33 states and 13 foreign countries. The vast majority of students enter Middlesex in either the ninth or tenth grade. There are 61 teaching faculty, 44 of whom have graduate degrees. Classes are conducted six days a week. The average section size is 12.

CURRICULUM

Freshmen and Sophomores customarily take 5 1/2 credits per semester; Juniors and Seniors take 5 credits. Specific requirements include 8 semesters of English, Mathematics through Trigonometry and Analytic Geometry, a foreign language through the third-year level, 2 years of laboratory science, 1 year of American History, 1 semester of European History, and 4 half-credit courses in the Arts. In addition, Juniors and Seniors are required to distribute their courses among the 4 divisions of the curriculum: 8 in the Humanities, 5 in Mathematics and Sciences, 3 in the Social Sciences, and 1 in the Arts, with 3 courses unrestricted.

GRADING

The numerical system at Middlesex is designed to give a precise evaluation of each student's academic performance. Full-credit courses are given equal weight in computing averages. Neither a rank in class nor a cumulative average is computed. **Grading standards are unusually high. In the last five years, an average of only 12 students per class held an average of 90 or above. In the Class of 2012, the highest Junior year average is 95.0.**

Middlesex's grading system has the following letter/number equivalencies:

A+ = 97-100	A = 93-96	A- = 90-92
B+ = 87-89	B = 83-86	B- = 80-82
C+ = 77-79	C = 73-76	C- = 70-72
D+ = 67-69	D = 63-66	D- = 60-62
F = 50-59	P = Pass	

High Honors: 90 and above Honors: 85-89.9

STANDARDIZED TESTING

The mean Critical Reading, Math, and Writing SAT Reasoning Tests for the Class of 2011 were 680, 680, and 690, respectively. The mean ACT English, Math, Reading, and Science Reasoning for the Class of 2011 were 29, 29, 29, and 27, respectively. The ACT composite for the 34 testers was 28.

The average SAT Subject Test scores for the Class of 2011 were the following, listed by subject, mean score, and number tested.

Biology-M	670 (27)	Latin	610 (9)	Math I	630 (55)	U.S. History	640 (43)
Chemistry	670 (24)	Spanish	650 (15)	Math II	680 (59)	World History	770 (1)
Literature	650 (83)	French	630 (9)	Physics	700 (19)		

ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMINATIONS - 2011

Students took Advanced Placement examinations in English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, U.S. History, European History, Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Physics B & C, Calculus AB & BC, Chinese Language, French Language, Spanish Language, Spanish Literature, Music Theory, Art History, Studio Art, Computer Science A, U.S. Government and Politics, Statistics, Microeconomics, and Macroeconomics. Enrollment in all AP courses must be approved by the department. Advanced Placement English Literature is required of all Juniors; virtually all take the Advanced Placement examination.

80 of the 86 Seniors (93%) took AP Exams in the Senior year
76 of the 80 Seniors (95%) received scores of 3 or better
106 of the 106 Juniors (100%) took at least one AP Exam
223 students in grades 9-12 took 528 AP Exams

HIGHEST LEVEL COURSES BY DEPARTMENT

Art	AP Studio Art, AP Art History, AP Music Theory, Advanced Studio Art, Advanced Photography, Advanced Ceramics and Sculpture, Advanced Approaches to Acting, Advanced Projects in Theatre
Classics	AP Latin (Vergil), Greek 4
Computer Studies	AP Computer Science A, Advanced Topics in Computer Studies
English	AP Literary Analysis, Senior English Electives
Mathematics	AP Statistics, AP Calculus AB, AP Calculus BC, Vector Calculus, Multi-Variable Calculus, Linear Algebra
Modern Languages	AP Chinese, AP French Language, Honors French Literature, Advanced French Literature, AP Spanish Language, AP Spanish Literature
Religious Studies	Senior Electives
Sciences	AP Biology, AP Chemistry, AP Environmental Science, AP Physics B, AP Physics C
Social Sciences	AP American Government and Politics, AP Economics (micro and macro), AP U.S. History, Senior History Electives, (students who take the AP European History exam do so without the benefit of an AP course).

DISCIPLINARY REPORTING POLICY

Middlesex School values honesty; both the student and the college counselor will report, to all colleges that ask, all suspensions prior to the Senior year. All suspensions that occur in the Senior year will be reported regardless of when during the year the offense occurs.

COUNSELOR LETTERS

In order to ensure objectivity, neither the student nor their parents see counselor letters.

THE CLASS OF 2011 WILL ATTEND THESE COLLEGES

Middlebury College	.....4	Wellesley College	.....3	Tufts University	.....2
Boston University	.....3	Wesleyan University	.....3	Tulane University	.....2
College of the Holy Cross	.....3	Bentley University	.....2	Union College	.....2
Connecticut College	.....3	Boston College	.....2	University of Pennsylvania	.....2
Cornell University	.....3	College of William & Mary	.....2	University of Richmond	.....2
Dartmouth College	.....3	George Washington University	.....2	Vanderbilt University	.....2
Harvard University	.....3	Northeastern University	.....2	Wake Forest University	.....2
MIT	.....3	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	.....2		
New York University	.....3	Stanford University	.....2		

One to each of the following:

Acadia University	Georgetown University	Swarthmore College
Bates College	Hamilton College	Trinity College Dublin
Bowdoin College	Indiana University at Bloomington	United States Naval Academy
Brown University	Lehigh University	University of Colorado-Boulder
Bucknell University	Pitzer College	University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill
Columbia University	Rollins College	University of Notre Dame
Davidson College	Skidmore College	Williams College
Duke University	Southern Methodist University	
Elon University	St. Lawrence University	

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