

WESTOVER SCHOOL PROFILE



2018 2019

SCHOOL BACKGROUND AND MISSION

Westover is an independent college preparatory boarding and day school for young women in grades 9–12.

Founded in 1909, Westover is located halfway between New York City and Boston. Westover's mission is to provide an environment that inspires the intellectual, artist, athlete, and philosopher in each student. Westover challenges young

women to think independently, to embrace diversity, and to grow intellectually and spiritually. Westover encourages in each student integrity, responsibility, and commitment to community.

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SCHOOL CODE NUMBER:
070-395

FACULTY

The Westover teaching faculty comprises

49 MEN AND WOMEN

MASTER'S DEGREES **25**

3 PH.D.'S

FACULTY: STUDENT RATIO **1:8**

STUDENTS

TOTAL ENROLLMENT **187**

119 BOARDING **68** DAY

9 EXCHANGE STUDENTS

SENIOR ENROLLMENT **48**

GOING TO FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE **ALL**

ACCREDITATION + SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Westover is accredited by New England Association of Schools and Colleges and by the State of Connecticut. Westover sponsors joint programs with Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (Women in Science and Engineering), Manhattan School of Music (pre-college), and Invest In Girls (IIG). A Certificate of Performance Emphasis is given in recognition either of students who have done significant work in dance or drama for at least two of the three terms of each year they attend Westover, or of students who have participated in at least two music ensembles in each of the years they attend Westover.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

A student must complete a minimum of 18 credits and must complete her senior year in attendance at Westover to receive a Westover diploma.

REQUIRED COURSES INCLUDE:

English..... 4 credits

Mathematics..... 3 credits required
..... 4 credits recommended

Laboratory Science 2 1/3 credits
..... including 1 credit biological
..... 1 credit physical

Foreign Language 3 credits

History 2 1/3
..... 1 credit American History
..... 2/3 credit World History
..... 2/3 credit European History

Arts and Music..... 2 credits

A normal program includes 5 full credits each year for grades 9–12. Full-year courses are one credit. Trimester courses are 1/3 credit. Electives in English, history, science, and arts are trimester courses. Participation in Physical Education is required in all three trimesters for students grades 9–12.

ATHLETICS

A MEMBER OF NEPSAC (NEW ENGLAND PREPARATORY SCHOOL ATHLETIC COUNCIL), Westover fields twenty-three interscholastic teams, which compete in the following 11 areas: soccer, volleyball, cross country, squash, basketball, swimming, lacrosse, softball, golf, and tennis. EMERGING PROGRAM: Rowing. NONCOMPETITIVE SPORTS INCLUDE: dance ensemble, beginning dance/intermediate dance, tennis, yoga, outdoor program, skiing/snowboarding, rock climbing, fitness and weight training, and squash. Participation in athletics, theater, or community service is required all three terms.

STANDARDIZED TEST SCORES

ACT TESTING

Class of 2019 (Middle 50%)**
25–33

Class of 2018 (Middle 50%)*
27–32

SAT I (1600)

Class of 2019 (Middle 50%)**

Class of 2018 (Middle 50%)*

Evidenced Based Reading & Writing.....620–700
 Mathematics.....550–760

Evidenced Based Reading & Writing.....600–730
 Mathematics.....630–710

*NOTE: Test averages for previous year include only those used for admission applications.

**NOTE: Test averages through junior year testing only

ADVANCED PLACEMENT 2018

NUMBER TAKEN **135** in **17** subjects.

NUMBER OF STUDENTS **76**

DISTRIBUTION OF SCORES

(all subjects)

5–29%
4–39%
3–21%

SCORING 3 OR HIGHER

89%

SUBJECT	NO. TAKEN	3 OR HIGHER
Art History	3	100%
Art: Drawing	4	100%
Art: 2-D Design	7	100%
Chemistry	14	85%
Calculus AB	16	75%
Calculus BC	10	90%
Comparative Govt. Pol. (One Schoolhouse)	1	100%
Computer Science A	13	100%
English Lang. & Comp.	9	100%
English Literature	5	100%
Environmental Science	16	87%
Macroeconomics (One Schoolhouse)	1	100%
Music Theory	2	50%
Physics C	6	50%
U.S. Govt. & Politics (One Schoolhouse)	1	100%
United States History	12	75%
World History	15	100%

AP SCHOLARS 2018

AP SCHOLARS WITH DISTINCTION **12**

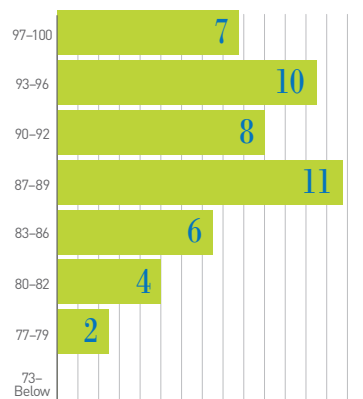
AP SCHOLARS WITH HONORS **7**

AP SCHOLARS **16**

NOTE: Students are permitted to take **two** Advanced Placement classes each year. With special permission, a student may elect to take more than two AP classes each year.

DISTRIBUTION OF WEIGHTED CUMULATIVE GPAs

CLASS OF 2019



NOTE: Averages are calculated with **grades earned at Westover only.**

GRADING

Westover uses a **numerical scale**: 100 is the highest; 60 is the lowest passing grade.

The academic year is broken down into **three trimesters**. Fall term ends at the end of November; winter ends at the end of February. **Fall trimester grades serve as mid-year grades.**

Westover provides a weighted GPA. In computing weighted cumulative GPAs Westover increases final grades in AP courses by 8 points, and final grades in honors courses by 5 points. GPA is calculated using only grades earned while student attends Westover.

Due to Westover's highly academic program, Westover **does not rank** students numerically. Instead, individual grade point averages are reported.

COLLEGE MATRICULATION FOR 2015–2018

Amherst College, Babson College, Barnard College, Binghamton Univ., Boston College, Boston Univ., Brandeis Univ., Brown Univ., Bryant Univ., Bryn Mawr College, Bucknell Univ., California Polytechnic State Univ. – San Luis Obispo, Univ. of California – San Diego, Univ. of California – Santa Cruz, Carnegie Mellon Univ., Univ. of Central Florida, College of Charleston, Univ. of Chicago, Univ. of Colorado at Boulder, Concordia Univ. – Montreal, Connecticut College, Univ. of Connecticut, Cornell Univ., Univ. of Delaware, Denison Univ., Dickinson College, Drew Univ., Elon Univ., Emory Univ., Endicott College, Fairfield Univ., Florida Southern College, Fordham Univ., Franklin & Marshall College, Furman Univ., George Washington Univ., Georgetown Univ., Gettysburg College, Hamilton College, High Point Univ., Higher School of Economics, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, College of the Holy Cross, Indiana Univ. at Bloomington, Iona College, Ithaca College, Johns Hopkins Univ., Keio Univ. Mita, Lafayette College, Lasell College, Lewis & Clark College, Loyola Marymount Univ., Loyola Univ. Maryland, Manhattan College, Marist College, Univ. of Maryland – Baltimore County, McDaniel College, McGill Univ., Univ. of Miami, Univ. of Michigan, Middlebury College, Mount Holyoke College, New York Univ., Univ. of North Carolina at Asheville, Univ. of North Carolina at Charlotte, Northeastern Univ., Ohio Wesleyan Univ., Old Dominion Univ., Pace Univ., Univ. of Pennsylvania, Univ. of Pittsburgh, Providence College, Purdue Univ., Quinnipiac Univ., Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen, Rochester Institute of Technology, Univ. of Rochester, Roger Williams Univ., Rutgers Univ. – New Brunswick, Sacred Heart Univ., Saint Michael's College, Savannah College of Art and Design, Sewanee: The Univ. of the South, Skidmore College, Sophia Univ., Univ. of Southern California, Southern Connecticut State Univ., Springfield College, St. Lawrence Univ., Stonehill College, SUNY Albany, Swarthmore College, Syracuse Univ., Temple Univ., Texas Christian Univ., Univ. of Texas – Dallas, The New School – All Divisions, Trinity College, Tufts Univ., Union College, Univ. of Vermont, Washington College, Washington Univ. in St. Louis, Wellesley College, Wheaton College (MA), Williams College, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, and Yale Univ.