



Belmont High School

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High School Profile 2021-2022



COVID-19 GRADING:

The COVID-19 pandemic closed Belmont High School on March 13, 2020. Virtual learning began on March 16. Based on recommendations from the Massachusetts Department of Secondary and Elementary Education and Administration, BHS adopted the following grading policies. Students earned letter grades for Quarters 1 and 2, students had the option of a letter grade or pass/fail for Quarter 3 and all grades were pass for Quarter 4. All quarters with earned letter grades were factored into the students final unweighted GPA. During the school year 2020-21, Belmont High School was a combination of remote/hybrid and in-person learning; all students earned letter grades.

School and Community

Belmont High School is located west of Cambridge, within the Boston metropolitan area. The population of Belmont is approximately 26,000. There are four elementary schools, one middle school and one college preparatory high school. The Belmont Public School District has a culturally and ethnically diverse student population with an academically competitive curriculum. Belmont High School is ranked amongst the top 100 public schools in the nation.

Extracurricular Activities

A wide variety of extracurricular activities are available to students to enhance social experiences and personal growth. Activities include interscholastic athletics, publications, community service and clubs focused on the arts, science, math and social awareness.

Grade Point Average

Belmont High School uses an unweighted only GPA (4.33 scale) for all students. Honors and Advanced Placement courses are given equal weight and factored into the computation of the unweighted GPA

BHS does not rank our students.

Percentile	Unweighted GPA
Top 10%	4.30 - 4.16

Belmont High School has decided to only report the top 10% of the class of 2022.

Accreditation

Belmont High School is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges.

Personnel

Superintendent of Schools: Mr. John Phelan
Assistant Superintendent of Schools: Ms. Janice Darias
Director of Pupil Services: Mr. Kenneth Kramer
Principal: Mr. Isaac Taylor
Assistant Principals: Mr. Daniel O'Brien, Ms. Sarah Winn, Ms. Elizabeth Gavin

Guidance Counselors (Class of 2022):

James Brown (Co-Fe) - jmbrown@belmont.k12.ma.us
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Enrollment

Grade 9 - Grade 12: 1,334 students
Class of 2022: 336 students

Graduation Requirements

English - 4 years
Mathematics - 4 years
Science - 4 years
World History, Modern World History, American Studies
Foreign Language - 2 years
Fine/Performing Arts - 1 year
Physical Education - 4 years
Senior Thesis/Capstone
20 hours of Community Service

Independent Study

Students in grades 10 through 12 have the opportunity to enroll in an independent study course through an accredited institution or online program. These classes will be listed on their transcripts as "IS".

All major courses receive 5 credits. English 12 CP/H and AP English courses receive 6 credits and one semester courses receive 2.5 credits. The level of each course is listed on the transcript next to the course name. "H" indicates an Honors level course and "AP" signifies an Advanced Placement course. All other courses are considered college preparatory (CP). Wellness/Positive Decision Making and Physical Education classes are included in the GPA and are not leveled (NL).

Honors Courses

-English 9, 10, 11, 12	-Physics
-Creative Writing	-Intro to Robotics
-World History	-Design 3D Print
-Modern World History	-Science Ethics
-American Studies	-Chinese 2, 3, 4
-Beginning Psychology	-French 2, 3, 4
-Beginning Economics	-Latin 2, 3, 4
-Global Leadership	-Spanish 2, 3, 4
-Social Justice by the Numbers	-Wind Ensemble
-Game Theory	-Concert Orch
-Geometry	-Ceramics 3
-Algebra II	-Photography 3
-Pre-Calculus	-Symphonic Band
-Statistics	-Chorale
-Calculus	-Chamber Singers
-Neurobiology	-Chamber Orch
-Intro to Computer Science	-Modern Band
-Anat. & Physiology	-Adv Acting
-Chemistry	-Media Arts 3
-Biology	-3D Art3
-History of Hip Hop	

National Merit Results

Class	Commended Students	Semi Finalists	Finalists
2022	34	14	13
2021	22	11	11
2020	22	7	6
2019	18	8	8

AP Results

497 Belmont High School students took a total of 1,050 Advanced Placement examinations in May 2021. 91% of the scores were 3, 4 or 5.

SAT & ACT Results Class of 2021

Evidenced Based R+W: 670
Math Mean: 680
ACT Composite Score: 29.9

Advanced Placement Courses

English	Biology	US History
Spanish	Chemistry	Psychology
Latin	Physics 1&2	Economics
French	Environ Science	Studio Art 1
Calculus AB	Comp Science A	Studio Art 2
Calculus BC	Comp Science Prin	AP 2D Design
Statistics	European History	Chinese
		Music Theory

College Summary

4 Year College - 93.7%
2 Year College/Technical - 1.6%
Gap Year - 1.9%
Other - 2.8%

Colleges and Universities Attended by the Class of 2021

University of Alabama	DePaul University	UMass Amherst	MIT
Amherst College	Dickinson College	UMass Boston	Rose Hulman Institute of Tech
University of Arizona	Earlham College	UMass Dartmouth	Sacred Heart University
Babson College	Eton University	UMass Lowell	Saint Michael's College
Barnard College	Emmanuel College	McGill University	Salem State University
Bates College	Emory University	McMaster University	Salve Regina University
Belmont University	Endicott College	Merrimack College	Simmons College
Bentley University	Fairfield University	Methodist University	Univ of Southern California
Berklee College of Music	Florida State University	University of Miami	Springfield College
Boston College	Fordham University	Univ of Michigan - Ann Arbor	St. John's Univ - New York
Boston University	George Washington University	Middlebury College	Stonehill College
Brandeis University	Georgetown University	Middlesex Community College	Suffolk University
Bridgewater State University	Gordon College	University of New England	SUNY at Albany
Brigham Young Univ - Provo	Hamilton College	University of New Hampshire	Swarthmore College
University of British Columbia	Harvard University	New York University	University of Tampa
Brown University	Haverford College	Northeastern University	University of Toronto
Bunker Hill Comm College	Univ of Hawaii- Manoa	Northwestern University	Tufts University
University of CA - Irvine	College of the Holy Cross	Oberlin College	Tulane University
University of CA - Los Angeles	University of Illinois at	Oberlin Conservatory of Music	University of Edinburgh
University of CA - Santa Barbara	Urbana-Champaign	Oklahoma State University	University of Exeter
Carnegie Mellon University	Ithaca College	Point Loma Nazarene University	University of St. Andrews
Champlain University	Johns Hopkins University	Pomona College	Utah State University
University of Chicago	Kent State University	Princeton University	Vanderbilt University
University of Cincinnati	University of Kentucky	Providence College	Vassar College
Clark University	Lafayette College	Purdue University	University of Vermont
Colby College	Lasell University	Quincy College	Wentworth Institute of
Colgate University	Lesley University	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	Technology
University of Colorado, Boulder	London School of Economics	Rhode Island School of Design	Wesleyan University
Colorado College	Loyola University Maryland	Rice University	Wheaton College
Columbia Univ of New York City	Macalester College	University of Richmond	College of William and Mary
University of Connecticut	Maine College of Art	University of Rochester	University of Wisconsin-Madison
Cornell University	University of Maine	Rollins College	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Dartmouth College	Massachusetts College of Art and Design	Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health	