

Boarding School

Washington Academy Maine

"I highly recommend Washington Academy, where my son has been an international student. The quality of education is exceptional, with dedicated teachers and a boarding program that promotes independence and personal growth. My son felt supported and well-integrated into a diverse and welcoming community of which he has been an active part. He has met life long friends from all over the world. I am very grateful for this transformative experience."

Parent

Washington Academy is a boarding high school located in coastal Maine, offering a college-preparatory curriculum for students in grades 9-12. The school combines small-class instruction with a structured residential program that supports academic focus and independence.



Quick Facts

Founded: 1792
Students: Co-educational
Climate: Cold winters / Mild summers
Population: 1,400
School Population: 400

Accepting students: Grade 9-12
Diploma Year offered: Yes
Interview Required? Yes
English as Second Language (ESL) support: Yes
University Acceptance rate: 100%

Academic Excellence

Washington Academy delivers a college-preparatory curriculum designed to support students planning for university study. Courses include **honors and Advanced Placement options**, allowing motivated students to pursue rigorous academic pathways. Small class sizes enable close interaction between students and faculty, supporting individualized instruction and academic monitoring. Teachers work closely with students on study skills, time management, and goal setting. Graduation outcomes reflect consistent university placement, including admissions to public and private colleges across the United States.

Student Accomplishments

- College acceptances to regional and national universities
- Participation in interscholastic athletics and arts programs
- Leadership roles in student activities and campus life

Recent University Acceptances

- Boston College
- Dartmouth College
- Drexel University
- Franklin Pierce University
- Husson University
- International Academy of Design and Technology
- Middlebury College
- New York University
- Pennsylvania State University
- Purdue University
- Rutgers University
- Simmons University
- Syracuse University
- University of South Carolina
- University of Texas at Austin
- Vanderbilt University
- Wheaton College
- Westminster College
- Worcester Polytechnic Institute



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Campus Facilities

The Washington Academy campus provides **academic, residential, and recreational spaces** within a small-town setting. Classrooms support core academic subjects, while dedicated areas are available for science, arts, and physical education. Athletic facilities accommodate seasonal sports and fitness activities. Outdoor spaces allow students to engage with the surrounding natural environment, supporting both recreation and community life.

Residential Life

Washington Academy operates **a full boarding program with on-campus housing for domestic and international students.** Students live in supervised residence halls with shared rooms and common spaces. Residential life follows a structured daily schedule that includes study hours, meals, and planned activities. Dining services are provided on campus, and residential staff support student well-being, accountability, and adjustment to boarding life. The boarding community includes students from the United States and multiple international regions.

Athletics and Arts

Athletics at Washington Academy emphasize participation, teamwork, and personal development. Students compete in interscholastic sports throughout the academic year, representing the school in regional competitions.

The arts program provides opportunities for creative exploration through visual and performing arts. Students can develop skills in studio-based and performance-focused courses that support both personal interest and portfolio development.



Highlights

Sports: American Football, Baseball, Basketball, Cheerleading, Cross Country Running, Golf, Soccer, Softball, Tennis, Track and Field, Volleyball, Wrestling

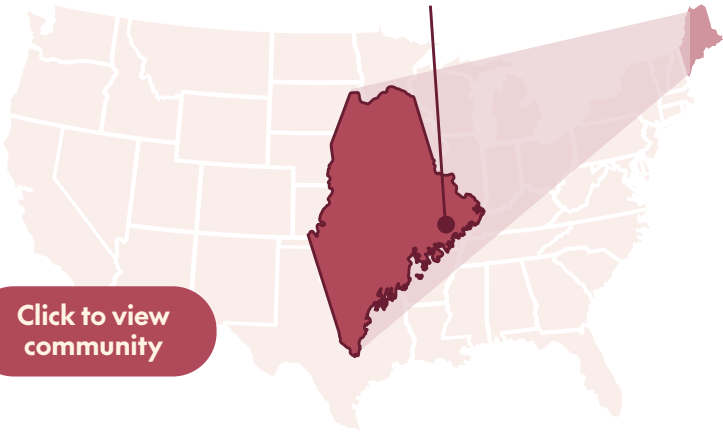
Arts: Applied Media, Band, Chorus, Cultural Dance, Digital Animation, Guitar, Music Theory, Studio Art, Theater, Visual Arts

Advanced Placement courses: Biology, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Chemistry, English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, European History, Latin, Music Theory, Physics 1, Spanish Language and Culture, Statistics, US History

Clubs and extracurriculars: A Capella, Chess, Envirothon, Drama, Gay-Straight Alliance, Jazz Band, Junior Prom Committee, Literary Magazine, Math Team, National Honor Society, New Media Club, Pep Band, School Newspaper, Science Club, Ski Club, Student Council, Sustainability Club

Community

East Machias is a small coastal town in eastern Maine, known for its quiet environment and access to natural landscapes. The area offers a calm setting that supports academic focus. Washington Academy is located several hours from larger urban centers, with Bangor serving as the nearest regional hub. Outdoor recreation and local community activities are accessible year-round.



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Climate in East Machias

Cool coastal climate with cold winters and mild summers.



"At WA, I have learned to value my friendships more and I have learned to be more organized. I learned a lot about Maine and its culture, and visited many beautiful places."

Student



"I've been able to explore different art styles and techniques that I wouldn't have been able to without taking the art classes here. Next year I will be attending Simmons University with a major in Integrated Media and a minor in Art."

Student

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Learn more about the school

