Dover-Sherborn Regional High School offers the benefits of a top-notch private school education to its public constituents. Consistently ranked among the top public schools in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and in the nation, Dover-Sherborn has long had a national reputation for academic excellence. This small, comprehensive regional school is located in the town of Dover, about 20 miles west of Boston. It serves the small, semi-rural residential towns of Dover and Sherborn, whose communities strongly support public education and are truly dedicated to educating its youth and inspiring a passion for learning.

The Dover-Sherborn faculty is dedicated to providing students with the skills and knowledge needed in a competitive, global marketplace and with experiences that will assist and encourage them to become future leaders. Dover-Sherborn has cultivated a student/faculty exchange program with Hangzhou, China, and our math and physics teams continually earn top honors at state and regional competitions. Annually over ninety-five percent of our graduates attend four year colleges and universities. To date, all students have passed the required state exit exams, the MCAS.

Mission Statement
Dover-Sherborn High School is a community of learners whose goal is to inspire academic excellence and a commitment to personal and civic responsibility. We engage in the learning process with honesty, creativity, dedication, and respect, and seek to provide an atmosphere of freedom and trust in a safe and nurturing environment.

School Facts
- Dover-Sherborn High School is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges.
- Ninety-seven percent of the Class of 2019 students are continuing their education after graduation.
- The high school serves 682 students in grades 9 through 12 and there are 166 students in the Class of 2020.
- Dover-Sherborn is the first Challenge Success school on the East Coast to prioritize student wellness and engagement.
- The Dover-Sherborn Schools participate in the Metropolitan Council for Educational Opportunities (METCO), a voluntary program that brings 40 students from the City of Boston to the Dover, Sherborn, and Dover-Sherborn Regional Schools.
- The Dover Sherborn Public Schools do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex/gender, gender identity, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, disability, or homelessness.
**Curriculum Information**

Though Dover-Sherborn offers three levels of courses in English, mathematics, science, social studies and foreign languages, students are not tracked. Most departments offer a variety of courses that are heterogeneously grouped. Students are expected to enroll in a minimum of 36 credits annually. The schedule is based upon an eight-day rotation. All primary courses (and most electives) meet six times out of the eight-day cycle and all classes meet for nearly an hour each. In general, 6 credits are earned for successful completion of a year-long course, and 3 credits are earned for successful completion of a semester course. Laboratory sciences may meet up to two additional periods each cycle. Any questions regarding courses listed on a student’s transcript should be directed to the Guidance Office or consult our Program of Studies posted on the high school website.

**Graduation Requirements**

In addition to meeting state graduation competency requirements, one hundred forty course credits are required for graduation.

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<th>Discipline</th>
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<td>English</td>
<td>24 credits</td>
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<td>Mathematics</td>
<td>24 credits</td>
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<td>Lab Sciences</td>
<td>18 credits</td>
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<td>Social Studies (including World &amp; U.S. History)</td>
<td>18 credits</td>
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<td>World Language</td>
<td>18 credits</td>
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<td>Tech, Engineering &amp; Comp Science and/or</td>
<td>18 credits</td>
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<td>Fine &amp; Performing Arts</td>
<td>18 credits</td>
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<td>Wellness (Health &amp; Physical Education)</td>
<td>12.5 credits</td>
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<td>Community Service</td>
<td>40 hours</td>
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*Students must also earn a passing score in all MCAS Graduation/Competency Determination requirements

**Grading System**

Dover-Sherborn operates on a two-semester calendar year that includes four grading terms, plus mid-year and final exams. Senior grade reports are mailed to colleges after the first grading term in mid-November and again, after the first semester during the first weeks of February. The minimum passing grade is 65. Grades on transcripts and report cards are literal and the numerical equivalents are:

- A = 93-100
- B+ = 87-89
- B = 83-86
- B- = 80-82
- C+ = 77-79
- C = 73-76
- C- = 70-72
- D = 65-69
- P=Pass
- F=Fail

The highest attainable weighted GPA is 4.87. The highest current weighted GPA in the Class of 2020 at the end of six semesters is a 4.84.

**Policy on Rank-In-Class**

With approval of the Dover-Sherborn School Committee, Dover-Sherborn High School does not compute a “Rank-in-class” for its students.

**Counselor Information**

- Counselors work with each student on their caseload for all four years of high school. Students’ college applications are supplemented by a personal letter written by the student’s school counselor. This descriptive letter is a comprehensive report that includes teacher feedback, information from student records and reports, and the counselor’s personal knowledge of the student. Counselors make every effort to provide accurate student profiles for each senior. Should you have any questions about any student, our counselors welcome the opportunity to speak with you. Dover-Sherborn High School subscribes to Naviance. Counselors submit all materials electronically, whenever possible, including the end-of-year final transcripts after graduation (June 4th, 2020).
**Advanced Placement**

Fourteen Advanced Placement courses were offered during the 2018-2019 academic year. Advanced Placement courses are typically offered during the junior and senior year and students maximize their educational opportunities within the confines of the master schedule and graduation requirements. *All students receiving Advanced Placement credit are expected to take the AP examination in May.*

In the spring of 2019, 209 students took 461 examinations.

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<th>Course</th>
<th>Percent Earning 3 or Higher</th>
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<td>Biology</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Calculus AB</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<td>Calculus BC</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Chemistry</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<tr>
<td>English Language and Composition (grade 11)</td>
<td>94%</td>
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<td>English Literature (grade 12)</td>
<td>91%</td>
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<td>French Language</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<td>Latin Vergil</td>
<td>78%</td>
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<td>Physics C-Mech</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<td>Spanish Language</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<td>Statistics</td>
<td>93%</td>
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<td>Studio Art</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<td>U.S. Government and Politics (grade 12)</td>
<td>98%</td>
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<td>U.S. History (grade 11)</td>
<td>98%</td>
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**College Board Scores**

Eighty-five percent of the *Class of 2019* took the SAT. Of the students who took the SAT, 76% *earned a combined score of over 1200*. The mean of the highest scores achieved by these test takers as calculated in Naviance were as follows:

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<th>2018</th>
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<th>2020 (As of September 2019)</th>
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<tr>
<td>Evidence Based Reading &amp; Writing</td>
<td>650</td>
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<td>Mathematics</td>
<td>640</td>
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**SAT RANGES**

*Class of 2019*

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<th>SAT Scores with Combined Evidence Based Reading, Writing and Mathematics</th>
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<td>Number of Students</td>
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<td>Below 800</td>
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<td>800-999</td>
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<td>1200-1399</td>
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<td>1400-1600</td>
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**ACT Mean for the Class of 2019**

English: 29.4  Math: 29.4  Reading: 30.2  Science: 28.2  Composite: 29.5  Test Takers: 70

**National Merit Recognition for the Class of 2020**

Semi-Finalist: 2  Commended: 7
Dover-Sherborn High School Post-Secondary Plans

Class of 2017 | Class of 2018 | Class of 2019
---|---|---
Four-Year College | 95% | 93% | 96%
Two-Year College | 2% | 1% | 1%
Other | 3% | 6% | 3%

Class of 2019:

- 50% attend out-of-state private colleges & universities
- 18% attend out-of-state public colleges & universities
- 9% attend MA state colleges & universities
- 21% attend MA private colleges & universities
- 2% attend international colleges & universities

Pursuing Other Opportunities - 3%

- 0% post graduate program
- <1% plan to attend a GAP year
- >2% other

2019 Top Schools Attended

- UMass, Amherst: 8 students
- Northeastern University: 7 students
- Boston University: 6 students
- University of New Hampshire: 6 students
- U of Colorado-Boulder: 5 students
- Boston College: 4 students
- Fairfield University: 4 students
- St. Lawrence University: 4 students
- Tulane University: 4 students
- Elon University: 3 students
- Purdue University: 3 students
- Skidmore University: 3 students
- Tufts University: 3 students

Class of 2019 Partial Colleges and Universities Acceptance List

- American University
- Bates College
- Bentley University
- Berklee College of Music
- Boston College
- Boston University
- Brown University
- Bryn Mawr College
- Bryant University
- California Institute of Tech
- Colby College
- Colgate University
- Connecticut College
- Cornell University
- Curry College
- Dartmouth College
- Denison University
- Elon University
- Fairfield University
- George Washington U
- Georgetown University
- Hamilton College
- Haverford University
- High Point University
- John Hopkins University
- Lehigh University
- Loyola University-Chicago
- Massachusetts Institute of Tech
- Mc Gill University
- Middlebury College
- New York University
- Northeastern University
- Oberlin College
- Occidental College
- Providence College
- Quinnipiac University
- Rollins College
- Santa Clara University
- Southern Methodist University
- St. Lawrence University
- Stonehill College
- SUNY College of Cortland
- Syracuse University
- Temple University-Japan
- Tufts University
- Tulane University
- Union College
- U of Colorado Boulder
- University of Connecticut
- University of Maine
- University of Maryland
- University of Mass, Amherst
- University of Mass, Dartmouth
- University of Michigan
- University of New Hampshire
- University of Rhode Island
- University of Pennsylvania
- University of Pittsburg
- University of Tennessee
- University of South Carolina
- University of Toronto
- University of Vermont
- Vanderbilt University
- Vassar College
- Villanova University
- Wentworth Institute of Tech
- Wheaton College
- Worcester Polytechnic Institute
- Wake Forest University
- Washington U, St. Louis
- Wellesley College
- Yale University