# TABOR ACADEMY 

## School Profile Academic Year 2022-23

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## About Tabor Academy

Tabor Academy is a four-year coeducational, college preparatory boarding and day school located on Sippican Harbor in Marion, Massachusetts. Founded in 1876 on the belief that a healthy school community finds common ground while embracing differences, our school enrolls a student body rich in ethnic, religious, economic, and international diversity. Tabor's academic, artistic, athletic, and community programs provide distinctive opportunities for students to achieve genuine understanding, attain significant skills, and identify and pursue personal goals. As the "School by the Sea," Tabor sustains a unique maritime heritage that embodies, in all its programs, the qualities a seagoing life requires: thoughtful preparation for and awareness of the wider world, perseverance, courage, a sense of direction, and humility. The SSV Tabor Boy, a 92 ' sail training vessel, has been owned and operated by Tabor since 1952. It has a licensed captain, a mate, and a student crew responsible for sail handling and maintenance. Other students may experience the schooner by attending First-Year summer orientation cruises as crew members, or participate in science research.

## Tabor Academy Facts at a Glance

- Senior Class: 150

Boarding: 109
Day Student: 41

- Total Enrollment: 542

Total Boarders: 371 / Total Day: 171
Total States: 20 / Total Countries: 21
Students of color: 15\%
International students: 24\%
Students receiving financial aid: $36 \%$

- Teaching Faculty: 78
- $71 \%$ faculty hold advanced degrees
- Average class size: 12-14
- Student/teacher ratio: 7:1


## Academic Calendar

Tabor uses a trimester calendar. We do not have official first quarter or midyear grades. Fall Term grades are available after Thanksgiving. Colleges will receive Fall Term grades for all senior applicants and those should be used as a student's "midyear" grades.

## Grading System \& Class Standing

Grades are based on a 100 -point scale and grade points for the GPA are calculated according to the chart below. Honors and Advanced/Post-AP courses receive a weighted factor of 0.5 GPA points. A student's official GPA is calculated based on the final average of a course.

| $98-100(\mathrm{~A}+)$ | $93-97(\mathrm{~A})$ | $90-92(\mathrm{~A}-)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 4.33 GPA pts | 4.0 GPA pts | 3.67 GPA pts |
| $87-89(\mathrm{~B}+)$ | $83-86(\mathrm{~B})$ | $80-82(\mathrm{~B}-)$ |
| 3.33 GPA pts | 3.0 GPA pts | 2.67 GPA pts |
| $77-79(\mathrm{C}+)$ | $73-76(\mathrm{C})$ | $70-72(\mathrm{C}-)$ |
| 2.33 GPA pts | 2.0 GPA pts | 1.67 GPA pts |
| $67-69(\mathrm{D}+)$ | $63-66(\mathrm{D})$ | $60-62(\mathrm{D}-)$ |
| 1.33 GPA pts | 1.0 GPA pts | 0.67 GPA pts |
|  |  | $59 \&$ below (F) |
|  |  | 0 GPA pts |

Tabor's student body is composed entirely of college preparatory students, ninety-nine percent of whom attend competitive, four-year colleges. Given the school's selective admissions policy and academic strength, class rank in such a group is misleading. As such, Tabor does not calculate class rank.


## High School Requirements

English - 4 credits
Mathematics and Computer Science
3 credits ( 4 recommended)

Science - 2 credits
(Including Biology)

History/Social Science - 2 credits
(Including US History)

## Most advanced courses available

Honors English 2
Advanced Topics: Rhetoric \& Composition
Advanced Topics: Multi-Genre Literature
Honors Algebra 2
Honors Precalculus
AP Calculus AB
AP Calculus BC
AP Statistics
Post-AP Mathematics 1
Advanced Topics: Differential Equations and Linear Algebra
Advanced Topics: Multivariable Calculus
Advance Topics: Computer Science
Honors Chemistry
Honors Physics
Advanced Topics: Biology
Advanced Topics: Chemistry
Advanced Topics: Calculus Based Physics
Advanced Topics: Environmental Science
Advanced Topics: Marine Science
Honors US History
Advanced Topics: US History
Advanced Topics: World History
Advanced Topics: Comparative Government
Advanced Topics: Government
Advanced Topics: Macroeconomics

## Modern and Classical Languages ( 3 credits of 1 foreign language (through Level 3) or 2 credits of 2 languages)

## Fine \& Performing Arts

(students entering 9th grade -6 units) (students entering 10th grade - 4 units)

Honors Chinese Levels 2 and 3
Honors French Levels 2 and 3
Honors Spanish Levels 2 and 3
Honors Latin Levels 2 and 3
Advanced Topics: Chinese Language
Advanced Topics: French Language \& Culture
Advanced Topics: French Literature and Film
Advanced Topics: Spanish Language
Advanced Topics: Spanish Literature
Advanced Topics: Latin
Advanced Topics: Ceramics
Advanced Topics: Photography
Advanced Topics: Studio Art
Advanced Topics: Madrigals
Advanced Topics: String Ensemble

## Advanced Topics

Moving beyond the AP curriculum to embrace greater academic rigor and teaching autonomy, several departments now offer advanced-level courses known as Advanced Topics. Students who complete these courses are given the option to take the AP exam if a corresponding test is offered.

## Disciplinary Reporting Policy

It is Tabor's policy to support students in reporting serious disciplinary consequences to colleges. We will notify colleges if an applicant's enrollment as a student at Tabor changes or if the Head of School believes that a circumstance warrants a disclosure. On applications in which a student is asked to disclose disciplinary information to colleges, we counsel them through the process and inform them that failure to disclose is a violation of Tabor's core values. We expect that students answer questions about disciplinary history honestly. If a disciplinary violation occurs after a student has filed an application with a college, the student will notify the school within 10 days of the incident.

## COVID Statement

Grading and Academic Program 2019-2020: Due to COVID-19, Tabor made a rapid shift to remote learning at the conclusion of Trimester 2 and adopted a grading policy of Credit/No Credit for all Trimester 3 courses.
2020-2021: For those unable to travel to campus, Tabor offered the option to enroll remotely. Classes were livestreamed to remote students.

## Curricular Notes \& Signature Programs

Courseload: In general, 9th and 10th graders are expected to carry six courses each trimester, five of which should be in the core academic areas. Students in grades 11 or 12 may choose to carry five courses and forego a sixth elective course.
Marine Science: Capitalizing on our waterfront location and state-of-the-art wet lab, Tabor offers full-year and trimester length courses in marine science. These courses encompass a focus on marine life, ecology, and conservation. Many of these classes include original research. Tabor partners with scientists at the Marine Biological Laboratory in Woods Hole, MA, and University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth, to provide students with additional opportunities.
Naval Honor Program: As a Naval Honor School, a distinction Tabor has maintained since 1941, Tabor may nominate students to each of the Federal Service Academies. In support of this status, Tabor offers academic and co-curricular opportunities in boating and seamanship. Completion of five nautical science units qualifies a student to apply for a Naval Honor certificate.
Senior Projects: Interested seniors may apply to pursue a self-designed project spanning the third trimester. Selected by an academic committee through an iterative proposal process, student projects are supervised by a subject area specialist. Seniors pursuing projects are approved for a reduced co-curricular and/or course schedule according to the project's demands. Projects culminate with finished products, accompanied by daily journal reflections and project analyses, as well as community-wide presentations.
Independent Study: Students may pursue specialized topics beyond our curriculum through an independent study. These occur under the supervision of a faculty member. Students are limited to one independent study per trimester, and with permission, it may replace a sixth course. They are graded on a Pass/Fail basis.

Matriculation for Classes of 2020-2022. *Indicates where 3+ students matriculated.

| American University* | Johns Hopkins University |
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| Amherst College* | Kenyon College |
| Assumption University | Lafayette College* |
| Auburn University | Lake Forest College |
| Babson College* | Lehigh University* |
| Bates College | Loyola Marymount University* |
| Belmont University | Loyola University Chicago* |
| Bentley University* | Loyola University Maryland |
| Boston College* | Lynn University |
| Boston University* | Massachusetts Maritime Academy |
| Brandeis University* | Merrimack College |
| Brown University* | Miami University, Oxford |
| Bryant University* | Michigan State University |
| Bryn Mawr College | Middlebury College |
| Bucknell University | Mount Holyoke College |
| California Institute of the Arts | New York University* |
| California Polytechnic State University | Northeastern University* |
| San Luis Obispo | Northwestern University |
| Carnegie Mellon University | Norwich University |
| Case Western Reserve University | Occidental College |
| Central Maine Community College | Pennsylvania State University* |
| Centre College | Pratt Institute-Main |
| Champlain College | Princeton University |
| Clarkson University | Providence College* |
| Colby College* | Purdue University-Main Campus |
| Colgate University | Queen's University |
| College of Charleston | Quinnipiac University |
| College of the Holy Cross | Reed College |
| Connecticut College* | Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute* |
| Cornell University | Rice University |
| Dartmouth College | Rochester Institute of Technology |
| Davidson College | Rollins College |
| Denison University* | Rutgers University-New Brunswick |
| Drexel University* | Sacred Heart University |
| Eckerd College | Saint Michael's College |
| Elms College | Santa Clara University* |
| Elon University* | School of the Art Institute of Chicago |
| Emerson College | Seattle University |
| Endicott College* | Simmons University |
| Fairfield University* | Skidmore College |
| Falmouth University | Smith College |
| Fordham University | Southern Methodist University |
| Furman University | St. Lawrence University |
| George Washington University* | Stetson University |
| Georgia Institute of Technology | Stonehill College |
| Gettysburg College | Stony Brook University |
| Grinnell College | Syracuse University* |
| Hamilton College* | The Glasgow School of Art |
| Hampton University | The University of Edinburgh |
| Harvard University | The University of Tampa* |
| Hawaii Pacific University | The University of Tennessee-Knoxville |
| Hobart William Smith Colleges* | The University of Texas at Austin |
| Howard University | Trident Technical College |
| Illinois Institute of Technology | Trinity College Dublin* |
| Indiana University-Bloomington | Trinity College* |
| Ithaca College | Tufts University |

Tulane University of Louisiana*
Union College (NY)*
University College London
University of British Columbia
University of California-Berkeley
University of California-Davis
University of California-Los Angeles
University of California-San Diego
University of California-Santa Cruz
University of Chicago
University of Colorado Boulder*
University of Connecticut
University of Delaware
University of Denver*
University of Glasgow
University of Maine
University of Massachusetts-Amherst*
University of Massachusetts-Boston
University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth
University of Miami*
University of New England
University of New Hampshire-Main Campus*
University of New Mexico-Main Campus
University of Notre Dame
University of Oregon
University of Oxford
University of Pennsylvania*
University of Pittsburgh-Pittsburgh Campus
University of Rhode Island
University of Richmond
University of San Francisco
University of South Carolina-Columbia
University of Southern California*
University of St Andrews
University of the Arts London
University of Vermont*
University of Virginia-Main Campus
University of Washington-Seattle Campus
University of Wisconsin-Madison
Vanderbilt University
Vassar College
Villanova University*
Wagner College
Wake Forest University
Washington and Lee University
Washington College
Washington University in St. Louis
Webb Institute
Wellesley College
Wesleyan University
West Virginia University
Wheaton College - Massachusetts*
William \& Mary
Williams College
Worcester Polytechnic Institute*

