Boston Magazine's 2020 Best School Report

SCHOOL RANKING	Enrollment	Average Class size	Student Teacher Ratio	Educator Evaluation (%) Proficient/Exemplary	SAT Reading/ Writing Average	SAT Math Average	Attending College (%)
1. Dover-Sherborn	674	15.7	11.6:1	85.4	632	644	87.6
2. Acton Boxborough	1,837	18.4	14.7:1	84	656	684	90.5
3. Wayland	846	15.8	11.9:1	95.9	629	645	89.7
4. Bromfield School	627	15.8	11.4:1	96.9	624	613	91.5
5. Lexington	2,263	19.6	12.8:1	97.8	645	674	87.3
6. Sharon	1,121	14.0	11.4:1	76	619	636	87.4
7. Concord Carlisle	1,274	16.0	12.5:1	96.9	631	644	87
8. Weston	707	16.5	10.2:1	77.9	624	640	83.7
9. Wellesley	1,529	17.0	12.8:1	94.8	630	642	86
10. Lincoln Sudbury	1,528	18.2	12.1:1	59.2	615	644	90.2
11. Newton South	1,911	14.9	12.4:1	90.3	626	641	80.2
12. Winchester	1,359	17.0	14.5:1	85.6	617	638	90.5
13. Lynnfield	629	10.9	12.9:1	0.0	579	576	92.3
14. Westwood	1,009	15.4	12.9:1	94.8	591	609	91.5
15. Hopkinton	1,182	17.9	14.2:1	73.3	607	628	89.5
16. Westford	1,724	19.6	14.6:1	71.6	609	627	91.4
17. Littleton	450	13.7	12.2:1	56.1	598	591	92.6
18. Westborough	1,152	15.0	12.8:1	75.7	612	633	86.6
19. Brookline	2,101	14.2	10.7:1	96.9	622	637	76.6
20. Medfield	799	16.1	12.3:1	84.9	591	611	92.5
21. Needham	1,718	16.6	13.7:1	96.7	618	624	86.3
22. Boston Latin	2,440	26.0	20.2:1	54.3	657	678	91.9
23. Manchester Essex	471	11.8	10.7:1	37.5	598	596	84.2
24. Newton North	2,124	16.2	11.6:1	87.7	620	632	81.7
25. Hingham	1,253	15.7	14.7:1	83.5	608	604	87.3
26. Georgetown	398	12.5	11.3:1	84.6	581	590	84.3
27. Cohasset	833	18.3	11.7:1	97.6	593	591	91.4
28. Bedford	874	13.2	10.8:1	97.3	596	592	82.9
29. Marblehead	1,054	13.2	12.2:1	N/A	591	584	84.8
30. Ashland	832	14.7	14.8:1	80.3	581	605	85.4
31. Masconomet	1,140	16.5	14.1:1	98	582	585	84.5
32. Nashoba	978	14.1	13.1:1	83.9	601	609	81.9
33. Belmont	1,308	20.8	17.4:1	91.7	618	638	82.7
34. Norwell	684	15.8	13.8:1	95	597	579	92.2
35. Swampscott	707	13.7	11.6:1	97.4	580	596	85.8
36. Mansfield	1,267	15.5	12.4:1	75.8	585	604	90.9
37. Andover	1,790	15.2	14.4:1	77.6	600	604	88.4
38. Newburyport	759	16.5	11.4:1	83.8	584	585	86.2

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1. Lexington High
2. Boston Latin
3. Brookline High
4. Wayland High
5. Newton North High
6. Newton South High
7. Belmont High
8. Weston High
9. Wellesley High
10. Lincoln-Sudbury High
11. Advanced Math & Science
12. Westford Academy
13. Acton-Boxborough High
14. Concord Carlisle High
15. Sharon High
16. Medfield Senior High
17. Needham High
18. Hopkinton High
19. Dover-Sherborn Regional High
20. Bedford High
21. Natick High
22. Westwood High
23. Duxbury High
24. The Bromfield School
25. Winchester High

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What is Niche?

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All of our K-12 rankings have been updated to reflect the latest data available as well as millions of new reviews we've collected from students and parents over the last year. This year we are newly ranking nearly 6,000 schools, with 4,000 schools providing data directly to us by claiming their school.

We continue to develop rankings that cover a wide variety of topics. Our 2020 Best High School Sports, which for the first time incorporates state championship data, recognizes strong and vibrant athletic programs. Additionally, our 2020 Best Schools for the Arts recognizes schools that have a focus on performing and visual arts. We're also recognizing 2020 Niche Standout Schools to highlight public schools that are making a difference in their community. Lastly, we introduced a variety of filters on our rankings so you can search by more locations and drill down to find the school that is right for you.

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This information was adapated from Boston Magazine's 2019 Top 40 Rankings for Greater Boston Public High Schools. This chart ranks public high schools in towns or districts within, or partially within, I-495. To compile the list, we used the most recent data for each school available at press time from the Massachusetts Department of Elementary & Secondary Education. In cases of missing information, we used data from a previous year as necessary. To calculate the rankings, statistician George Recck, director of the Math Resource Center at Babson College, analyzed the results, comparing each high school's data points to the overall average for all schools. He then applied a percentage weight to the standardized value for each school to create an aggregate "score" to determine each high school's rank. We considered it more desirable to have a smaller class size and a lower student-to-teacher ratio.

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