

# NOBLE AND GREENOUGH SCHOOL 2023-2024 SCHOOL PROFILE

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## **MISSION**

Noble and Greenough School is a rigorous academic community dedicated to inspiring leadership for the public good. Through mentoring relationships, we motivate students to achieve their highest potential and to lead lives characterized by service to others.

#### **FACTS**

Founded: 1866

About: A Boston-area day and 5-day boarding school for grades 7–12

Total Enrollment: 638 students

Self-identified Students of Color: 49%
Percentage of Applicants Admitted: 16%

**Student-Faculty Ratio:** 6:1

Average Class Size: 12 students

**Communities Represented:** 101

**Sending Schools:** 53% private, 39% public, 8% charter/parochial

Financial Aid Budget: 30% receive \$7.3M in aid in 2023-24

## COMMUNITY WELL-BEING, ENGAGEMENT AND CONNECTION

#### **All-School Assembly**

More than 800 students, faculty and staff start the school day in Lawrence Auditorium four days a week for a shared community experience where we celebrate who we are and what we value.

#### **Afternoon Program**

We require broad community engagement through participation in our Afternoon Program—three seasons for grades 9–10 and two seasons for grades 11–12. Students may choose from a wide range of athletic, performing arts and local community service opportunities.

#### **Affinity Spaces**

Nobles' 12 affinity groups honor the diversity of our community and work to promote community-wide discussion across different identities and perspectives.

#### **Anderson/Cabot Center for EXCEL**

Students are engaged in meaningful community service, cultural immersion, study away and applied learning opportunities. Since 2015, the program has placed students in environments that foster creativity, resilience and collaboration. The Class of 2023 documented 13,750 service hours.

#### **Financial Aid**

Nobles met 100% of demonstrated need for all admitted students who received financial aid in 2023. Nobles creates access to all facets of our program for all students.

#### Partnership with Stanford University's Challenge Success

Nobles has implemented research-based strategies that lead to healthy, engaged students who become resilient, thriving adults. In 2021, 94% of upper school students reported that they had an adult they could go to with a personal problem.

#### **Personal Development**

Upper school students take semester-long courses in mindfulness, sexuality and gender education, substance use awareness and the science of well-being.

## **GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

#### **English**

Eight semesters

#### **Mathematics**

Six semesters (through junior year)

#### Languages

Completion of Level III: Chinese, French, Japanese, Latin, or Spanish

#### Science

Four semesters: two in biology and two in either chemistry or physics

#### **History and Social Science**

Four semesters: two in History of the Human Community and two in U.S. History

#### **Visual and Performing Arts**

One credit each in visual arts and performing arts

#### **Service Learning**

80 hours

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## ACCELERATED, HONORS AND AP COURSES

AP courses are typically available starting in the junior year.

#### **English**

No designated honors or APs

#### **Mathematics**

Advanced Topics in Mathematics Algebra II Accelerated

Algebra II-H AP AB Calculus AP BC Calculus AP Statistics Geometry-H

Honors Precalculus with Differential Calculus Multivariable Calculus Precalculus Accelerated Languages

French II-H French III-H French IV-H French V-H AP Latin V Latin IV-H Latin V-H

Spanish II-H Spanish III-H Spanish IV-H Spanish V-H

No designated honors in Chinese

#### **Science**

AP Biology AP Chemistry

AP Environmental Science

AP Physics Biology-H Chemistry-H Physics-H

#### **Computer Science**

AP Computer Programming (Java) AP Computer Science Principles No designated honors

#### **History and Social Science**

AP European History Honors Research Seminar (new in 2023–24)

#### **Visual and Performing Arts**

AP Ceramics
AP Drawing
AP Music Theory
AP Photography
AP Studio Art
No designated honors

## **KEY POINTS FOR ADMISSION READERS**

#### Class of 2024

133 members

#### Class Rank and GPA

Given the school's highly selective admission process and the rigorous nature of our curriculum for all students, Nobles neither publishes a cumulative grade point average nor calculates class rank.

#### **Course Level Labels**

If a course is not "Accelerated," "Honors" or "AP" at Nobles, it is labeled "N/A" on self-reported academic records and on college applications.

#### **AP Courses**

Most AP classes require prerequisite coursework and are not available to students until the junior and senior years.

#### **Study Away**

Each year, a cohort of Nobles juniors studies away at programs, including Alzar School (Idaho and Chile), the Island School (Cape Eleuthera, Bahamas), High Mountain Institute (Leadville, Colo.), The Mountain School (Vershire, Vt.), School for Ethics and Global Leadership (Washington, D.C. and Cape Town, South Africa) and School Year Abroad (France, Spain, Italy, China).

#### **The Honors Research Seminar**

New in 2023–24, this yearlong advanced history course is available to seniors. Designed to prepare students for in-depth college-level research, the first semester focuses on the development of research skills and questions; the second semester culminates with a 25–30-page honors thesis on a topic of the student's choosing.

#### **Global Online Academy**

Nobles belongs to a consortium of the world's leading independent schools whose mission is to reimagine learning to empower students and educators to thrive in a globally networked society. Students can pursue their passions, learn with peers from around the globe, and acquire and practice modern learning skills that will serve them well in college, career and life.

# COVID-19 Pandemic Hybrid Academic Schedule

Students learned virtually and in person on alternating days from September 2020 through April 2021. Virtual Nobles upheld our commitment to an engaging academic program while also supporting student and faculty well-being.

## CLASSES of 2023 and 2024 STANDARDIZED TEST RANGES Through June 2023

## 2022-2023 Standardized Test Ranges

| ACT (102 tested) | Middle 50% | Median |
|------------------|------------|--------|
| COMPOSITE        | 29-34      | 32     |

| SAT (174 tested) | Middle 50% | Median |
|------------------|------------|--------|
| COMBINED         | 1310–1540  | 1440   |
| EBRW             | 660–760    | 710    |
| MATH             | 640–790    | 740    |

#### **AP Scores**

In the Classes of 2023 and 2024, 227 students took 766 exams. 72% earned scores of 4 or higher, 91% earned scores of 3 or higher.

## MATRICULATION LIST 2019–2023

Amherst College (5) Babson College (11) Barnard College (7) Bates College (6) Bentley University

Berklee College of Music (2)

Boston College (27)
Boston University (12)
Bowdoin College (13)
Brandeis University
Brown University (18)
Bryant University
Bucknell University
Carleton College

Carnegie Mellon University (2)
Case Western Reserve University (2)

Claremont McKenna College

Clark University Clemson University Colby College (12) Colgate University (9) College of the Holy Cross (5)

College of William and Mary (4)

Colorado College (5)
Columbia University (7)
Connecticut College (5)
Cornell University (12)
Dartmouth College (23)
Davidson College (3)
Deerfield Academy (5)
Denison University
Duke University (15)
Emerson College (2)
Emory University (5)

Florida Agricultural and Mechanical

University

Flagler College

Fordham University (2) George Washington University Georgetown University (26) Greater Boston Joint Apprentice Training Center / International Brotherhood of

Electrical Workers Local 103

Hamilton College (15) Harvard University (52) Harvey Mudd College Haverford College

Hobart and William Smith Colleges (2)

Ithaca College

Johns Hopkins University (3)

Kenyon College Lehigh University (5) Loomis Chaffee School Loyola Marymount University Loyola University Chicago

Massachusetts Institute of Technology (3)

Miami University - Oxford Middlebury College (24)

New School - Parsons School of Design

New School - School of Drama New York University (9) Northeastern University (15) Northwestern University (6)

Oberlin College (2) Occidental College

Pennsylvania State University Phillips Academy Andover (3)

Pitzer College (3) Pomona College

Princeton University (18)
Providence College (6)
Purdue University
Rhodes College
Rice University

Royal Conservatoire of Scotland

Santa Clara University (2)

School of the Art Institute of Chicago

Scripps College Skidmore College (6)

Southern Methodist University

Springfield College Stanford University (5) Stonehill College (2) Syracuse University (7) Trinity College (10) Tufts University (25) Tulane University (4) Union College (7)

United States Naval Academy (2)

University of Chicago (16)

University of Colorado Boulder (2)
University of Connecticut (2)

University of Denver University of Edinburgh University of Exeter

University of Massachusetts Amherst (8) University of Massachusetts Lowell (2)

University of Miami

University of Michigan Ann Arbor (8)

University of Oregon University of Oxford

University of Pennsylvania (6) University of Pittsburgh (2) University of Richmond (6) University of Rochester (2)

University of Southern California (3)

University of Vermont (2) University of Virginia (17)

University of Wisconsin - Madison (6)

Vanderbilt University (6)
Villanova University (5)
Wake Forest University (7)
Washington and Lee University

Washington University in St. Louis (8)

Wellesley College (2) Wesleyan University (4) Wheaton College Williams College (20)

Worcester Polytechnic Institute (2)

Yale University (19)