

SOUTH KENT SCHOOL | Academic Profile

CEEB Code: #070695

School

- An independent, college preparatory boarding school for boys in grades 9-12 and postgraduates
- Rigorous academics balanced by exceptional future literacy and arts programming, top-tier athletics, varied extracurriculars, and community service
- A diverse, tight-knit community guided by the School's Mission and Trinity of Values
- Nestled in the picturesque hills of northwestern Connecticut, the School is 45 miles west of Hartford and 90 miles northeast of New York City

Key Facts

Faculty

Teaching faculty: 26
Advanced degrees: 18
Student/teacher ratio: 7:1
Average class size: 15

Students

Grade 9 (Third Form): 15
Grade 10 (Fourth Form): 45
Grade 11 (Fifth Form): 45
Grade 12 (Sixth Form): 55
Postgraduates: 10
Total Average Enrollment: 170

26 Countries Represented: Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Costa Rica, Egypt, France, Germany, Greece, Japan, Kazakhstan, Korea, Liberia, Mexico, Portugal, Russia, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, and United States.

Mission

South Kent School prepares young men to succeed in college and thrive as thoughtful and engaged citizens in a rapidly changing and intensely competitive world.

Core Competencies

Critical Thinking

Students analyze complex information, evaluate different perspectives and evidence, and synthesize their findings to make informed decisions. They develop problem-solving skills, enabling them to identify and address challenges creatively and logically.

Emotional Resilience

Students manage and regulate their emotions effectively, demonstrating adaptability in the face of adversity. They develop coping strategies to navigate stress and setbacks while maintaining a positive outlook, fostering mental well-being.

Collaboration

Students work effectively with diverse groups of peers, respecting and valuing differing opinions and backgrounds. They possess strong communication and active listening skills and contribute their expertise to achieve common goals, fostering teamwork and cooperation.

Stewardship

Students learn to understand the importance of responsible and ethical behavior in their communities and the environment. They take actions to conserve resources, promote sustainability, and engage in activities that contribute to the betterment of society, demonstrating a sense of social and environmental responsibility.

Accreditation

- Accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges
- Member of the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS), National Association of Episcopal Schools, Connecticut Association of Independent Schools (CAIS), and National Association for College Admission Counseling

Curriculum

Guided by the Mission and Trinity of Values, South Kent School believes in education that goes beyond traditional boundaries, focusing on developing competencies that prepare students for a rapidly changing and intensely competitive world. This commitment has inspired the School to examine how twenty-first-century boys learn best. Studies show that learning takes place over time with intentional and continuous practice.

Rooted in the Science of Learning, our academic program is founded on the belief that all students can achieve meaningful academic growth with effective instruction and support. We pursue this through a competency-based approach, where instruction is aligned to clearly defined instructional objectives and learning targets. These targets are observable demonstrations of knowledge and skills. Teachers assess progress based on these targets, offering timely feedback and support to help each student. When appropriate, project-based curriculum further enhances the student experience by equipping students with the skills, habits, and adaptability to succeed.

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Trinity of Values

Simplicity of Life • Self-Reliance •
Directness of Purpose

Special Programs

Syracuse University Project Advance (SUPA)

Syracuse Project Advance courses offer high school students an invaluable opportunity to engage in college-level coursework while still in high school. These courses, offered in collaboration with Syracuse University, provide students with challenging academic experiences, college credit, and exposure to the rigor of higher education. By participating in SUPA, high school students can accelerate their college progress, reduce the cost of higher education, and gain a competitive edge in the college admissions process, all while honing their academic skills.

Student Success Center

The Student Success Center is a support program for students who require extra help with their college-bound curriculum.

- Focuses on the individual's learning style and assists with skill development
- Compliments classroom study with specific help in regular courses

Advanced Work & Honors Distinction Program

South Kent School's Advanced Coursework and Honors Distinction Program provide motivated students with opportunities to extend their learning beyond the core curriculum. Advanced courses emphasize depth, complexity, and independent thinking, preparing students to competitively sit for Advanced Placement examinations. Through the Honors Distinction Program, high-achieving students may earn honors designation in their core courses by completing an independent study project under the guidance of their classroom teacher and advisor. Together, these programs encourage intellectual curiosity, critical thinking, research skills, and meaningful exploration of subjects that inspire students' academic growth.

Marking System & Grading Scale

Letter grades accompanied by a plus or minus used for all courses (excluding A+ and D-)

*Class rank is not computed.

A	93-100	C+	77-79
A-	90-92	C	73-76
B+	87-89	C-	70-72
B	83-86	D+	67-69
B-	80-82	D	60-66
		F	59

Course Offerings for 2026-2027

English

- English I
- English II
- English III
- English IV

History

- Western Civilization
- U.S. History I (to 1920)
- U.S. History II (since 1920)

Science

- Anatomy and Physiology
- Biology
- Conceptual Physics
- Chemistry
- Environmental Science

Course Offerings for 2026-2027 (continued)

Math

- Algebra I
- Algebra II
- Geometry
- Precalculus
- Calculus
- Functions, Trigonometry and Statistics

World Languages

- Spanish I, II, III, IV
- Other World Languages as Needed

Advanced Courses

- SUPA Introduction to Creative Non-Fiction
- SUPA Introduction to Entrepreneurship and Emerging Enterprises
- SUPA Economic Ideas
- Advanced Calculus I
- Advanced Calculus II,
- Advanced Pre-Calculus
- Advanced Statistics
- Advanced US History I
- Advanced US History II,
- Advanced Biology
- Advanced Environmental Science
- SUPA Chemistry
- SUPA Introduction to the Analysis of Public Policy
- Advanced Physics

Minors

- 2D Art
- 3D Art
- Advanced Media Group
- Agriculture and Food Science Systems
- Civics
- Computer Basics
- Computer Science: Introduction to Databases
- Digital Media
- Engineering II
- Food Science
- Historic Preservation
- Human Physiology & Performance
- Institutional Marketing
- Introduction to Business Management
- Introduction to Computer Programming: Android
- Introduction to Computer Programming: HTML
- Introduction to Computer Programming: Python
- Introduction to Engineering
- Introduction to Entrepreneurship
- Introduction to Finance
- Introduction to Future Technologies
- Introduction to Robotics
- Music: Guitar, Percussion, Piano, and Vocal Instruction
- Mythology
- Personal Branding
- Sports Management
- Sports Psychology
- Sustainability and Food Science Systems

College Matriculations

American University

Amherst College

Babson College

Bard College

Baruch College

Bates College

Bentley University

Boston College

Boston University

Bowdoin College

Brandeis University

Brown University

Clarkson University

Clemson University

Colby College

Colgate University

College of Charleston

College of the Holy Cross

Connecticut College

Cornell University

Denison University

Duke University

Emory University

Fordham University

Franklin and Marshall College

Georgetown University

George Washington University

Harvard University

Haverford College

Hamilton College

Hobart and William Smith Colleges

Howard University

Ithaca College

Johns Hopkins University

Lafayette College

Lehigh University

Loyola Marymount University

Manhattanville College

Marist College

Michigan State University

Middlebury College

Morehouse College

Monmouth University

New York University

Occidental College

Olin College of Engineering

Pennsylvania State University

Princeton University

Providence College

Purdue University

Quinnipiac University

Radford University

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Rochester Institute of Technology

Rutgers University

Sacred Heart University

Seton Hall University

Skidmore College

St. John's University

St. Lawrence University

Suffolk University

Syracuse University

Trinity College

Tufts University

UCLA

Union College

United States Military Academy at West Point

United States Air Force Academy

University of California San Diego

University of Colorado Boulder

University of Connecticut

University of Florida

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

University of Massachusetts, Amherst

University of Miami

University of Michigan

University of New Hampshire

University of Notre Dame

University of Vermont

University of Washington

Vanderbilt University

Villanova University

Washington and Lee University

Washington University at St. Louis

Wesleyan University

Williams College

Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Yale University