



UPPER SCHOOL

Bancroft School is Worcester's premier independent day school for grades PreK-12 with students from 63 different cities and towns in Massachusetts. A learning laboratory constantly in motion, Bancroft empowers students to engage with one another, their communities, and the world in meaningful and impactful ways.

From 9th through 12th grade, Upper School students can tackle ambitious course schedules, lead varsity teams to victory, join and start clubs, and bring down the house in musical and drama productions — all while navigating the college admission process with individual guidance from our knowledgeable college counseling staff.

A DAY IN THE UPPER SCHOOL

8:00-9:15 | MANDARIN SEMINAR:

Social Dynamics in Chinese Culture

9:15-10:00 | MEET WITH CLUBS

Robotics, Speech, Acapella, & many more are offered

10:00-11:15 | AP CALCULUS

11:15-11:45 | LUNCH

11:45-12:30 | CO-LAB

Meet with a teacher, start homework, or study for an upcoming test

12:30-1:45 | MUSIC THEORY

1:45-3:00 | ENGLISH: GENDER PERCEPTIONS

3:00-3:30 | CO-LAB

Check-in with an advisor, work on a group project, or get ready for sports practice

THE UPPER SCHOOL DIFFERENCE: WHY CHOOSE BANCROFT?

- Upper School prepares students for a full range of intellectual, ethical, personal, and professional challenges. Our rigorous liberal arts curriculum — combined with countless opportunities for scholarly, athletic, artistic, social, workplace, and global engagement — gives students the broad education required to succeed in the world's top colleges and beyond.
- 100% of graduating Bancroft seniors are accepted to and attend college.
- Students can choose from nearly 150 different courses in Arts, Science, Math, English, World Language, History, and Physical Education.
- The Upper School schedule is modeled like a college schedule with built in free time. This allows students to own their learning in a variety of ways — from tackling Shakespearean sonnets at 8 a.m. to spending one of the two daily free periods studying, catching up on homework, meeting with a teacher, or forming a new club.
- Every senior participates in a Senior Cooperative (Co-Op), a program in which they volunteer at a nonprofit in Central Massachusetts, drawing on their academic and personal interests to make meaningful contributions to our community.
- From coding a transportation scheduling system for an early childhood education program, to making a documentary film about young cancer survivors that helps spread the word about the importance of early detection, seniors put their unique talents and skills to use in the real world, giving them confidence and a sense of purpose for future endeavors.
- The Upper School curriculum is based around inquiry. While specific classes such as Science & Engineering Inquiry and Research & Historical Inquiry focus on the topic specifically, every class at Bancroft urges students to ask questions and dig deeper.
- There's a club for just about every Upper School student. Whether it's building high-tech robots with the national champion Robodogs or prepping for a big Speech Team tournament, Bancroft has the club for you. Nearly every student is involved in at least one club with many finding time to be in multiple.
- Bancroft athletics teams compete in the Eastern Independent League. With 9 Fall teams, 5 Winter teams, and 9 Spring teams to choose from, every athlete has a chance to compete. Go Bulldogs!