



*Inspire Global Leaders  
for Tomorrow!™*

# International Boarding and Day School (Grades 6-12)

SPRINGFIELD, MA

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We are committed to nurturing the leaders of tomorrow through an exceptional educational experience that emphasizes academic rigor, character development, and a holistic approach to learning. Our comprehensive athletics program fosters teamwork, discipline, and physical fitness, ensuring students excel both in the classroom and on the field.



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### **Vision:**

SCA strives to be the leading private co-ed college preparatory school in the U.S., promoting diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI). We offer scholarships and financial aid based on merit and need, ensuring accessibility for all families. Our rigorous academic curriculum and community model equip graduates to lead lives of accountability and service.

### **Mission:**

Springfield Commonwealth Academy (SCA) aims to develop students in mind, body, and character, preparing them for higher education and roles as effective leaders and responsible citizens. Our mission is built on four pillars: Leadership, Academics, Athletics, and Resilience (L.A.A.R). Our athletic program fosters teamwork, discipline, and physical fitness, enhancing overall student development.



**We don't just educate  
students; we inspire  
leaders of tomorrow.**



*Angelene Huang*



Angelene Huang  
**President**

# Core Values

Our core values are the pillars that support our educational philosophy. By emphasizing leadership, academic excellence, athletic involvement, and resilience, we prepare our students to face challenges with confidence and competence.



## Leadership:

Developing skills to lead with integrity and vision.



## Academics:

Commitment to a rigorous and dynamic curriculum.



## Athletics:

Promoting physical health, teamwork, and perseverance.

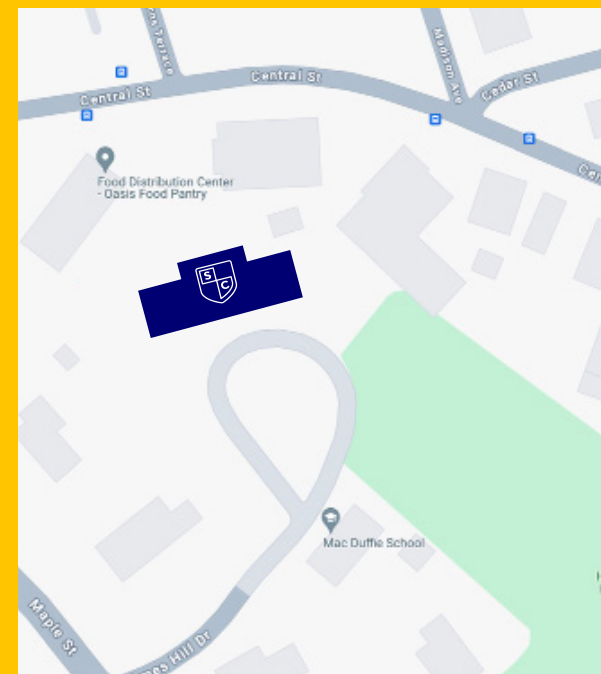


## Resilience:

Building strength and adaptability in our students.







**6-12**

Grades

**1:6**

Student- Teacher Ratio

**999+ Students**

Enrollment Goal



Situated in the vibrant community of Springfield, MA, SCA offers an intimate and focused learning environment. With small class sizes and personalized attention, each student receives the support they need to thrive academically and personally.



# Academic Excellence

4 At our academy, we prioritize a rigorous curriculum tailored to prepare students for college and beyond. Our academic program emphasizes critical thinking, problem-solving, and a deep understanding of core subjects, ensuring that students are well-equipped for the challenges of higher education. With a wide array of Advanced Placement (AP) courses available, students have the opportunity to delve into college-level material, earn college credits, and stand out in the competitive college admissions process. Our college preparatory focus extends beyond academics, providing comprehensive support and guidance to students as they navigate the college application process and prepare for the next phase of their educational journey. We are committed to empowering students with the knowledge, skills, and confidence they need to succeed in college and beyond.



**100%**  
**Graduation rate**

- **Rigorous Curriculum**
- **Advanced Placement (AP) Courses**
- **College Preparatory Focus**



# Special Programs



## Entrepreneurship & Innovation Program:

- Idea Lab Incubator
- Funding Opportunities
- Hands-On, Project-Based Learning

**Our special programs ignite curiosity and foster innovation. Through hands-on learning, students in Entrepreneurship & Innovation and Emerging Technology gain valuable skills that set them apart globally.**



## Emerging Technology Program:

- AI, Robotics, Blockchain
- Cybersecurity, 3-D Printing



**Registrar & Science Dept.**  
Kelsey Burr

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### Personal Finance & Investing Program:

- Stock Investing
- Modeling Fundamentals
- Mastering Business Foundations



**Financial literacy is a crucial life skill, and our Personal Finance & Investing Program equips students with the knowledge and tools to navigate the complexities of the financial world. From stock investing to business fundamentals, students learn to make informed decisions that will benefit them throughout their lives.**





# Future Leaders in Training Program

## ✓ Leadership Guidance

Our program offers personalized mentorship and structured opportunities to help students develop strong leadership skills, preparing them to lead with integrity and confidence.

## ✓ Character Development

We emphasize the importance of ethical behavior and personal responsibility, fostering the growth of well-rounded individuals with strong moral compasses.

## ✓ Public Speaking Practice

Students engage in regular public speaking exercises, enhancing their communication skills and building confidence in their ability to present and articulate ideas effectively.



**Leadership isn't just about taking charge; it's about guiding others with integrity and vision. At SCA, we empower our students to become the leaders of tomorrow through character development and effective communication.**



# Environmental & Sustainability Program

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## **EQ Development**

We enhance students emotional intelligence through targeted activities and guidance.

## **Meditation, Yoga, Therapy**

Students benefit from mindfulness practices like meditation, yoga, and therapeutic support to promote well-being.

## **Nature Projects**

Hands-on nature projects foster environmental awareness and a connection to the natural world.





# Comprehensive Athletics Program



Basketball

Hockey

Fencing

Rowing

Golf

Athletics play a vital role in our holistic approach to education. Our Comprehensive Athletics Program encourages teamwork, discipline, and physical fitness, offering students a variety of sports to explore and excel in, helping them build healthy, active lifestyles







# Leadership Opportunities

## Structured Leadership Program

Our program offers a comprehensive framework for developing leadership skills through targeted activities, workshops, and real-world applications.

## Adult Mentorship and Peer-to-Peer Interaction

Students receive guidance from experienced adult mentors and engage in collaborative learning with peers, enhancing their leadership abilities and fostering a supportive community.



### HEAD OF SCHOOL

Beth Moriarty

SCA offers numerous leadership opportunities through structured programs and mentorship initiatives, empowering students to lead confidently with guidance from mentors and peers.





# Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

## Commitment to DEI

We are committed to fostering a diverse, equitable, and inclusive community where every individual is valued and respected. Our dedication to diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) permeates every aspect of our institution, from our admissions process to our curriculum and beyond. We strive to create an environment where students, faculty, and staff from all backgrounds feel welcomed, supported, and empowered to succeed.

## Scholarships and Financial Aid

We believe that financial circumstances should never be a barrier to receiving a quality education. That's why we offer a variety of scholarships and financial aid packages to eligible students. Our goal is to make our educational opportunities accessible to all, regardless of socioeconomic status, ensuring that every student has the chance to pursue their academic and personal goals at SCA.

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# College Preparation

Our comprehensive college preparation process includes a robust curriculum and opportunities for meaningful leadership experiences. We also emphasize the importance of lifetime fitness and outdoor learning, ensuring that our graduates are well-rounded and ready for the challenges of higher education.



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**Meaningful leadership experiences**

2  
**Robust 21st-century curriculum**

3  
**Lifetime fitness & outdoor learning**

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# Notable Achievements

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**95%**

**Graduates  
attend 4-year  
colleges**

Yale



**Prestigious  
Universities**

SCA is proud of our students' impressive achievements. With 95% of our graduates attending four-year colleges and many accepted into top-tier universities like Yale, Boston University, UPenn and NYU, our track record speaks to the quality and effectiveness of our educational programs.





# Student Life



## Safe and Supportive Environment

We prioritize the safety and well-being of our students by creating a nurturing and secure atmosphere. At SCA, students feel valued and supported, which allows them to thrive both academically and personally.

## High Student Satisfaction Rates

Our commitment to excellence is reflected in the consistently high satisfaction rates reported by our students. They appreciate the quality of education, the supportive community, and the myriad

opportunities for personal and academic growth. This high level of satisfaction underscores our dedication to providing an exceptional educational experience.

## Active Clubs and Activities

With a wide variety of active clubs and extracurricular activities, students at SCA can explore their interests, develop new skills, and build lasting friendships. From sports teams and academic clubs to arts and service organizations, there's something for everyone. These activities foster a sense of community and help students develop well-rounded personalities.



# Boarding Experience



**International  
student  
representation**



**Countries:**

China, Spain, Germany,  
Venezuela, Dominican Republic,  
Australia, Barbados, Italy,  
Canada, Turkey, Italy, Korea



**Our boarding program offers a home away from home for students, with 7-day boarding options and a diverse international student body. Representing countries from around the globe, our students benefit from a multicultural living and learning environment that broadens their horizons and enriches their educational experience.**



# Sustainability Initiatives

At SCA, we are committed to fostering environmental stewardship and sustainability. In partnership with the local PATCH Foundation (People Aligning to Create Harmony), we have built an in-house garden that serves multiple educational purposes.



**Hands-On Learning:** Students engage with sustainable practices, learning about organic farming and water conservation.

**Curriculum Integration:** The garden enhances our science, health, and environmental studies curricula.

**Community Engagement:** The garden strengthens community ties and offers opportunities for local involvement.

**Healthy Living:** Students grow and harvest their own produce, learning about nutrition and healthy eating.

**Environmental Responsibility:** Participation in garden maintenance fosters a commitment to environmental stewardship.

**Innovation and Research:** The garden serves as a platform for exploring innovative environmental solutions.

Through this partnership with the PATCH Foundation, SCA enriches its educational offerings and promotes a culture of sustainability, preparing students to be conscientious global citizens.





# Curriculum Highlights

Our diverse curriculum is designed to challenge and inspire students. With advanced courses in English, Social Science, Mathematics, Science, and Languages, we provide a comprehensive education that prepares students for academic success and lifelong learning.



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## English:

- AP English
- Public Speaking
- Creative Writing
- Journalism

## Social Science:

- AP Government
- Sociology
- US History
- Psychology

## Mathematics:

- AP Calculus
- AP Statistics
- Algebra
- Geometry

## Languages:

- Mandarin
- French
- Spanish
- Italian

## Science:

- Physics
- Forensics
- Physiology
- Chemistry

## Art:

- Painting and Drawing
- Creative Concepts
- Advanced Studio Art
- Digital Media





**Niche Grade: A+**



**Tuition:**  
**\$59,950 (Boarding)**



**Financial Aid:**  
**20% of students**



**Diversity:**  
**A+**



**Average SAT:**  
**1450**

SCA consistently receives top ratings, including an A+ grade from Niche. Our commitment to affordability is reflected in our extensive financial aid offerings, which benefit 20% of our students. With a diverse student body and strong academic outcomes, including an average SAT score of 1450, SCA stands out as a premier educational institution.



# Testimonials



"SCA has been a transformative experience for me. The supportive teachers and challenging curriculum have prepared me for college and beyond."

— **Sarah L.**, Student



"The community at SCA is unparalleled. Our child has flourished both academically and personally."

— **John and Maria P.**, Parents






# Faculty Excellence


Our faculty members are the backbone of SCA's success. They are dedicated, caring, and experts in their fields, providing engaging lessons that inspire and challenge our students. Their commitment to excellence ensures that every student receives a high-quality education.



 **President**  
Angelene Huang


The President leads SCA with a forward-thinking vision, focusing on academic excellence and innovative practices.



 **Head of School**  
Beth Moriarty


Ensures a high-quality educational experience in a nurturing and challenging environment.



 **Education Director**  
Stephen Morton

Ensures a high-quality, inspiring learning environment through innovative teaching and curriculum development.



 **School College Counselor**  
David Yi

Provides essential support and resources to international students, ensuring their integration and success at SCA.



# Community Engagement

## Partnerships with Local Organizations

We collaborate with local organizations to provide students with real-world learning opportunities and strengthen community ties. These partnerships enhance our educational programs, offering students hands-on experiences and valuable insights into various industries. Additionally, they help build a sense of community and mutual support between SCA and the surrounding area.



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## Community Service Projects

Our students engage in a variety of community service projects, fostering a sense of responsibility and empathy. These initiatives allow students to make a positive impact on their community while developing important life skills such as teamwork, leadership, and problem-solving. Through these projects, students gain a deeper understanding of social issues and a lifelong commitment to helping others.



Community engagement is a cornerstone of the SCA experience. Through partnerships with local organizations and a variety of community service projects, our students learn the importance of giving back and making a positive impact on the world around them.



# Alumni Success



Our alumni go on to achieve great things in their careers and personal lives. From CEOs to community leaders, their successes are a testament to the solid foundation and values instilled during their time at SCA.



"SCA prepared me for college and beyond with its rigorous curriculum and supportive community. The leadership skills I developed here have been invaluable."

— **John F., Class of 2018**



"Attending SCA was a transformative experience. The diverse programs and dedicated faculty helped me discover my passions and achieve my goals."

— **Emily J., Class of 2020**





# Future Development Plans

Looking ahead, SCA is committed to continuous improvement and growth. Our future development plans include expanding our facilities and introducing new academic and extracurricular programs, ensuring that we remain at the forefront of educational excellence.

## New Academic and Extracurricular Programs

We are introducing new programs to enrich student learning and personal development, offering innovative courses and diverse activities to ensure a well-rounded education.

## Expansion of Facilities

We are expanding our facilities to provide state-of-the-art resources and enhance the learning environment with new classrooms, advanced laboratories, and modern recreational spaces.



# College Prep Pathway

Our College Preparatory Pathway is designed to equip students with the skills and knowledge needed for success in higher education and beyond. With a focus on rigorous academics, leadership development, and personalized guidance, SCA ensures each student is well-prepared for their college journey.



- ✓ **Rigorous Academics:** Challenging curriculum with Advanced Placement (AP) courses and honors classes.
- ✓ **College Counseling:** Personalized college counseling to help students identify and apply to the best-fit schools.
- ✓ **Leadership Development:** Programs that foster leadership skills through real-world applications and community involvement.
- ✓ **Standardized Test Prep:** Comprehensive preparation for SAT, ACT, and other standardized tests.
- ✓ **College Application Support:** Workshops and one-on-one guidance on essay writing, applications, and financial aid.





# How to Apply



## **Speak with Your Admissions Consultant**

Schedule an in-person or online meeting to discuss your goals and learn more about our program.



## **Submit Your Application Online**

Complete the online form and submit required documents, including transcripts and a passport scan.



## **Provide Academic Records**

Submit official transcripts from the last two years to verify your academic history and achievements.



## **Participate in an Interview**

Discuss your academic aspirations and commitment during an interview.



## **Receive Your Acceptance Decision**

After reviewing your application, we will inform you of our decision and provide an acceptance packet.



## **Get Ready for Departure**

Stay updated with pre-departure communications and attend a preparation meeting.



Ready to join the SCA community? Our application process is straightforward, and we are here to assist you every step of the way. Visit our website or contact our admissions office to learn more about our requirements and how to apply.



# Program Tuition and Fees

Springfield, Massachusetts

## Full year tuition fee

Grades 6-12	
Day Tuition.....	\$37,000
Boarding Tuition (5 days).....	\$53,450
Boarding Tuition (7 days).....	\$59,950

## Other Fees

### Exam Fees

Advanced Placement exams will incur additional fees

Application fee.....	\$95
Enrollment fee.....	\$2,000
Visa Preparation fee.....	\$2,000
(For international students only)	

Spring and winter break boarding.....	\$250 per week
Security deposit/Student bank.....	\$500
(For potential damage caused by the student during their time with SCA)	

### Special education resource room

One-on-one.....	\$5,000 per semester
(ESL, all subjects or executive functioning)	

Commencement Fee.....	\$350
(Seniors only)	

## Included in total fees

Shared room in residence  
Breakfast, lunch and dinner provided daily  
Most students clubs and activities

## Excluded in total fees

Airport transfers  
International fees  
Transportation off campus





# NCAA Pathway

**High-Level Coaching:**

Experienced coaches with a track record of success at collegiate and professional levels.

**Athletic Development:**

State-of-the-art facilities and personalized training programs to enhance athletic performance.

**Academic Support:**

Tutoring and academic advising to maintain eligibility and excel in studies.

**Exposure:**

Opportunities to showcase talent through competitions and scouting events.

**College Recruitment:**

Assistance with the recruitment process, including scholarship applications and NCAA eligibility requirements.

We provide a comprehensive pathway for student-athletes aspiring to compete at the NCAA level. Our dedicated coaching staff, rigorous training programs, and strong academic support ensure that our athletes excel both on the field and in the classroom.





# Athletic Program

Both men's and women's basketball teams are top five in New England. Talented students have been admitted to Brown University and signed by the NBA. In 2020, SCA had 7 of the top 40 basketball players in Massachusetts, including Femi Odukale, who ranked ninth in New England and earned a full scholarship to the University of Pittsburgh.



**2016-2019**

New England Regional Power  
5 AAA League Champion

**2018-2019**

Fifth in the nation in the  
Private School Basketball  
League

**2019-2020**

New England Power 5 AAA  
League No. 2 Men's Basketball:

**2016-2018**

New England Region Power 5  
AAA League 5th

**2019-2020**

New England Regional Power  
5 AAA League Champion

**2019-2020**

Private School Basketball  
Tournament ranked eighth in  
the nation



# Family-Friendly Massachusetts

Massachusetts is home to some of the best places for families to thrive, thanks to excellent schools, vibrant communities, and a high quality of life. Here's a snapshot of some of the top counties in the state.



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## Hampden County

- Population: 466,265
- Median Home Value: \$228,700
- Median Household Income: \$61,310
- Top Schools: Amherst Regional High School (Public, A+), Wilbraham & Monson Academy (Private, A+), Springfield Commonwealth Academy (Private, A+)
- Top Places to Live: Longmeadow (A+), Wilbraham (A), East Longmeadow (A-)



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## Berkshire County

- Population: 129,089
- Median Home Value: \$232,900
- Median Household Income: \$63,159
- Top Schools: Lenox Memorial High School (Public, A), Berkshire School (Private, A+)
- Top Places to Live: Williamstown (A+), Lanesborough (A-), Lenox (A-)



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## Barnstable County

- Population: 227,942
- Median Home Value: \$445,500
- Median Household Income: \$82,619
- Top Schools: Sturgis Charter Public School (Public, A+), Cape Cod Academy (Private, A+)
- Top Places to Live: West Falmouth (A), Mashpee Neck (A), North Falmouth (A)



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## Bristol County

- Population: 576,070
- Median Home Value: \$339,900
- Median Household Income: \$74,290
- Top Schools: Oliver Ames High School (Public, A), Al-Noor Academy (Private, A+)
- Top Places to Live: North Seekonk (A), Easton (A-), Mansfield (A-)



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## Dukes County

- Population: 20,277
- Median Home Value: \$857,600
- Median Household Income: \$77,392
- Top Schools: Tisbury Elementary School (Public, A-), Vineyard Montessori School (Private, Unavailable)
- Top Places to Live: Oak Bluffs (B+), Tisbury (B), Edgartown (B)



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## Suffolk County

- Population: 792,647
- Median Home Value: \$576,300
- Median Household Income: \$80,260
- Top Schools: Boston Latin School (Public, A+), Commonwealth School (Private, A+)
- Top Places to Live: Back Bay (A+), Fenway (A+), Beacon Hill (A+)



# Visit Us

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## Campus Tours and Open Houses

Discover our campus through guided tours and open houses, providing an in-depth look at our facilities, programs, and community.

**Experience SCA firsthand.  
Schedule a campus tour or  
attend an open house to see  
why SCA is the right choice  
for your child. We look  
forward to welcoming you.**







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**Connect with us to learn more about what  
makes SCA special and how we can help  
your child achieve their full potential.**



# College Acceptance

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Boston College  
Yale University  
Boston University  
New York University  
University of Pennsylvania  
Carnegie Mellon University  
Stanford University  
University of Pennsylvania  
University of Washington  
California College of the Arts  
Colorado State University  
Fordham University  
Maryland Institute College of Art  
Miami University - Oxford  
New York University  
Northeast University  
Ohio State University  
Otis College of Art and Design  
Pennsylvania State University  
Pratt Institute  
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute  
Rutgers University

School of the Art Institute of Chicago  
School of Visual Arts  
Syracuse University  
University of California, Davis  
University of California, Irvine  
University of California, Los Angeles  
University of California, San Diego  
University of California, Santa Barbara  
University of California, Santa Cruz  
University of Colorado  
University of Connecticut  
University of Florida  
University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign  
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
University of Pittsburgh  
University of Rochester  
University of Southern California  
University of Toronto  
University of Wisconsin-Madison  
Vanderbilt University  
Virginia Tech University



**For more in-depth information about our various programs, student achievements, extracurricular activities, and support services, please refer to the previous pages. These details will provide a comprehensive understanding of the exceptional opportunities available at SCA.**

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**School Accreditation:**

National Honor Society (NHS)  
National Junior Honor Society (NJSHS)  
New England Association of Schools and  
Colleges (NEASC)





# Additional Learning Opportunities



## Summer School

Award-winning summer school, enhance your academic skills and stay ahead with our summer school programs, offering a range of courses and enrichment activities.

<http://SCISS.org>



## Global Online School

Experience flexible, high-quality education from anywhere with our robust remote learning platform. Join our global community to gain diverse, international perspectives through our Global School programs, connecting students worldwide.

<http://SCGlobal.org>





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