

**Cats academy  
Boston  
Massachussets**



CATS Academy Boston offers an exciting school community where students from dozens of countries study with highly qualified teachers in Boston, the world center of education, to prepare for prominent American universities. At CATS Academy Boston, you will benefit from Cambridge Education Group's more than six decades of experience in providing top-flight secondary education while participating in the dynamism of CEG's entrepreneurial and rapidly-growing first CATS program in the United States.

You will study with highly trained, expert teachers and take advantage of the unparalleled cultural and educational opportunities of Boston. You will absorb the American style of learning while living and making friends with students from across the globe. Those students will, no doubt, remain friends and professional colleagues for many years to come - a global career network throughout your life.

CATS Academy Boston focuses on the needs of foreign students - unlike many American boarding schools where foreign students are often a minority who might not receive enough attention. We specialize in the emotional, social, and academic success of students from outside the United States who desire an American education that prepares them for success in top U.S. colleges and universities.

In addition to helping our students achieve academic success and high test scores, CATS Academy also offers programs that teach students the creative, entrepreneurial, and leadership qualities that will make them more successful in their careers and that also help foreign applicants stand out when applying to American colleges. Our highly skilled College Counseling Office focuses on giving foreign students the individual attention, help, and advocacy they need to get into the best colleges for them.

For domestic American students, CATS Academy Boston offers a top-quality education in a setting with students from across the globe. Where else can you attend a great high school, alongside future leaders from all over the world, which prepares you for success in the global economy - all without leaving home? In addition to all of the great things I have mentioned, CATS Academy Boston is also a warm and caring community where we value every student and take delight every day in preparing tomorrow's leaders.

**Academic and Sport Facilities**

CATS Academy's academic program is arranged around required core courses and a range of electives. To graduate, students will be expected to have completed the following at minimum:

English (Literature, Grammar, Writing) - 4 years

Foreign language - 2 years

Science - (Biology, Chemistry, Physics) - 3 years

Mathematics - (Pre-algebra, Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry) - 3 years

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Social Studies/History - 3 years

Fine Arts - 1 year

Health and Wellness (Physical Education) - 2 years

Independent Study (optional) - generally offered as a senior project, it may also stand in for a junior or sophomore level class if a student has a particular focus on a subject outside of the normal curriculum.

CATS Academy Boston is located in a beautiful, historical building with character.

Our 55,000 square foot campus includes:

Classrooms that allow small classes of just 12 students for maximum student input and development

Interactive whiteboards

Library and online resources

State-of-the-art science laboratories

Hot and cold meals served three times a day

A large gymnasium

Student lounge

### **Dormitories and School Residences:**

#### **Possibility of choice between host family accommodation and residential accommodation**

Many students at CATS Academy Boston will be studying far away from home, so we understand the importance of making sure our boarding facilities are safe, comfortable and happy places.

- CATS Academy Boston residences are about about 20 minutes from the school campus.
- Each day students are transported to the school and back again in our own fully-chaperoned buses. This service is included in our accommodation fees.
- Rooms are dormitory style with shared bathroom facilities, but offer all students modern furnishings.
- The accommodation is designed to allow students the opportunity to form strong friendships, socialize and engage in sports outside of the School curriculum. Common rooms, ping pong tables and an on-site gym are just a few of the facilities designed to provide the best living experience for students.
- Residential supervisors and accommodation staff care for students and reside 24hrs a day within the accommodation blocks to ensure help is always on hand should it be required.

When staying in a homestay, students experience daily life in American culture. Living with an American family means practicing English with them every day, being included in their daily life as well as, holidays and participating in local activities with them.

CATS ACADEMY Homestay Program Offers:

A fully furnished, clean and comfortable private bedroom with desk/study space

Self-served continental breakfast and dinner prepared by the host seven days a week

Lunch provided by hosts on weekends (Saturday and Sunday) - lunch provided at school on weekdays

Internet access

Linens and towels

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All utilities including television, local telephone and laundry facilities  
Public transportation (subway/bus) within walking distance  
Shuttle service to and from school - shuttle pick up and drop off points are easily accessible by public transportation

Quality assured

All adults (18 years and older) in the homestay must pass a background check to host CATS Academy students

Homestay families will always be at the house overnight - CATS Academy students are not allowed to stay alone overnight under any circumstances

CATS Academy provides all guardian roles and takes responsibility for each homestay student.

**Location** Washington Street, Newton, MA 02458

**Nearest airport** Boston Logan

**Starting Dates** early september

**Estimated End Date** beginning – mid of june

### **Electives:**

Students can choose from the following elective subjects to supplement their core curriculum. They will be selected with guidance from their teachers based on ability and university aspirations.

Economics\*

Statistics\*

English Composition

Political Theory\*

Comparative Government\*

Studio Art

Instrumental Music

Public Speaking

\* May be substituted for a core course in some instances.

### **AP Courses:**

Students at CATS Academy are ambitious and motivated and almost all are aiming for entry to the most prestigious universities in the US.

As a result, our courses are often accelerated, preparing students for an Advanced Placement exam for college credit. Juniors and seniors, who have a wider range of electives from which to choose, can follow personal interests to a very high level in advanced half- and full-credit courses.

Advanced Placement Programs are special forms of honors classes where the curriculum is more challenging and lessons more aggressively paced than standard courses. Most universities take AP results into consideration in the admissions process as they provide additional college credits.

AP Biology

AP Chemistry

AP Physics

AP English Literature

AP French

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AP Spanish  
AP Calculus  
AP Statistics  
AP World History  
AP US History  
AP Economics  
AP Comparative Government

NO EXTRA CHARGE - Any AP examinations a student wishes to take will be provided at no additional cost.

**Sports:**

Soccer  
Basketball  
Volleyball  
Softball  
Baseball  
Track and field  
Crew

**Extracurricular Activities & Clubs:**

Model United Nations  
Dance  
Swimming  
Chess  
Band  
Video/Game Club  
Photography  
Fashion  
Book Club  
Math Team  
Science Team

In order to be a successful college applicant, each student must also demonstrate a dedication to extracurricular activities. Every single student has a different path to college and will participate in a different set of activities. These activities demonstrate leadership, commitment and passion.

Colleges look for students who can effectively motivate and lead other students- these are the students who will eventually go on to become business people, company executives and politicians. Effective **leadership** is a crucial ability for career success, regardless of profession.

Colleges also look for students displaying **commitment** to an interest- this shows that a student can become meaningfully involved, whether it is in their college studies or future career. The final quality, **passion** is just as important as the other two. Passion demonstrates the potential for a student to become interested in a college's offerings and to commit to mastering whatever that interest may be.

CATS Academy Boston encourages all its students to undertake a range of activities outside of the classroom, amongst the community, as an integral part of the educational experience for students.

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These activities, not only help to provide a refreshing counterbalance to students' academic education, but also help them to develop a number of key skills which are highly-prized by Colleges and Universities. These key skills include:

Teamwork and inter-personal skills

An awareness of real world issues

The ability to formulate and implement plans

Understanding of the value of perseverance and commitment

A better self-awareness of strengths and weaknesses

Students are able to influence the type of community service activities available in the programme, but typically include:

Worthwhile causes and charities

Nature conservation projects

Public-service institutions, such as local schools and hospitals, that need volunteer help

### **Other Services Offered:**

CATS Academy is committed to helping our students get into top colleges. We provide specialized guidance to see them through the complicated and challenging college application process.

In many US schools, this process usually begins in the 11th grade. However, at CATS Academy, advice is available from the moment a student joins as it is important to start thinking about college as early as possible.

Application process assistance available to CATS Academy students includes:

- college visits: Several days in September and October are designated as college visiting days.
  - one-on-one counseling with the Director of College Guidance and the student's advisor.
  - SAT preparation.
  - personalized visits from college representatives
- Pre- university summer programs at cats boston

**For Details Visit Website:** <http://www.catsacademy.com/>

Prevista costruzione di un campus unico e più grande per Settembre 2015:

Thanks to incredible growth at CATS Academy Boston, we will soon outgrow our current campus.

To accommodate more students and to enhance the learning environment, we will be relocating to a new campus which will feature these exciting improvements:

All-in-one campus with onsite dormitories and athletic fields

Purpose built interior featuring brand new classrooms, state of the art science labs, several student lounges, and much more:

Brand new dormitory buildings with single rooms and private bathrooms for every student:

Where will the campus be?

A suburb of Boston called Braintree. Braintree was placed #10 on Movoto's top 10 best places to live in Massachusetts in 2013! The downtown area is just a 25 minute drive away and is also accessible by public transportation.

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