

STURGIS CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOL – WEST

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School Profile 2018-2019

International Baccalaureate (IB) for All

Founded in 1998, Sturgis Charter Public School adheres to an “IB for All” philosophy, providing students with access to the **International Baccalaureate (IB) Programme** — a global-minded, rigorous, and comprehensive curriculum. Sturgis’ membership in the International Baccalaureate Organization (IBO) is fundamental to its charter. IBO is a worldwide consortium of schools that holds its member schools and students to high standards for academic excellence, creativity and service within the classroom and beyond.

Our commitment to equal access makes Sturgis quite unusual as students are not preselected for admission into IB classes. In fact, **all eleventh and twelfth grade students take all of their coursework in the IB Programme**. We are a full inclusion school, with a strong student support system that adapts to meet students’ needs. This approach offers students the access and tools necessary to succeed in one of the world’s most challenging college preparatory programs. Sturgis maintains that holding high standards and high expectations of all students leads not only to high achievement, but also to college readiness and the development of more inquiring and caring minds. Because of Sturgis Charter Public School’s unique support system for students, high standards, collaborative student culture of peer support, and strict graduation requirements, course failure in upperclassman courses is uncommon.

Sturgis is nationally recognized for its student success. In 2016, The Washington Post recognized Sturgis as the #2 public school in Massachusetts and #135 in the United States. This marks the 10th straight year that Sturgis has been ranked one of the top schools in the U.S. by The Washington Post. In addition, the 2016 U.S. News and World Report rankings recognized Sturgis as #1 in Massachusetts and #33 in the United States.

Quick Facts

Total Enrollment	418 students
IEP/504	20%
Free/Reduced	4%
Educational Faculty	65 Graduate Degrees: 74%
Student/Fac. Ratio	8:1 Avg. Class Size: 14
Calendar	Semester/Full Year
Course Schedule	7 max, 7 day rotation

Class Data

Class of 2018 College Bound: 98% 89% 4 yr; 9% 2 yr
Class of 2019 Test Results (85% of class, March-August):

SAT:	Middle 50%	Mean
ERW	560-660	603
Math	548-650	593
Composite	1090-1300	1197
ACT Composite	24-30	27.6

Graduation Requirements

English	4 credits
History	4 credits
Mathematics	4 credits
Science	4 credits
Foreign Language	6 credits*
The Arts	2 credits
Electives	2 credits
TOTAL	26 Credits

* Min. 2 credits of Latin, 4 other language credits

GPA Decile Bands, Class of 2019

Computed at the completion of junior year: 99 students

1 st	3.90-4.23	6 th	2.90 - 3.15
2 nd	3.72 - 3.89	7 th	2.71 - 2.89
3 rd	3.58 - 3.71	8 th	2.42 - 2.70
4 th	3.35 - 3.57	9 th	2.11 - 2.41
5 th	3.16 - 3.34	10 th	1.35 - 2.10

International Baccalaureate Results

Having gained acceptance into the prestigious International Baccalaureate Organization in 2004, Sturgis implemented the IB program in the 2004-2005 school year. The class of 2018 is the thirteenth graduating class eligible to earn the IB Diploma.

	Class of 2016	Class of 2017	Class of 2018
Number of Graduates	100	88	93
IB Exam Participation Rate	100%	100%	100%
IB Exams Taken	577 Average of 5.8 per student	519 Average of 5.9 per student	546 Average of 5.8 per student
IB Scores of 3 or better	95%	92%	89%
Number Attempting IB Diploma	68	42	52
Number Earning IB Diploma	45	33	32

Grading System

All grade 9 and 10 classes are designed as preparation for entering the International Baccalaureate (IB) curriculum in grade eleven. As a result, **all grade 9 and 10 courses represent what other schools may reasonably call Honors** in the first two years of high school. Grades in the IB curriculum reflect the attainment of knowledge relative to the high standards established by the International Baccalaureate Organization (IBO). Additionally, **all science courses at Sturgis, both natural and computer, are recognized as laboratory courses.**

Grade point average is not weighted because all of our students take a full slate of IB classes during grades 11 and 12. We use a 4 point scale, and calculate career GPA at the end of each school year. Each grade is assigned points as follows: A = 4; B = 3; C = 2; D = 1; F = 0. As we work with a +/- system, it is important to note that a + adds 0.3 and a – deducts 0.3. Due to the unique nature of our “IB for All” curriculum, Sturgis does not incorporate courses completed at prior schools into our transcript, nor do we include these courses in the calculation of a student’s Sturgis career GPA.

Due to its commitment to individual achievement, ***Sturgis does not rank students***.
Decile bands & a distribution chart of junior year grades are provided for comparison purposes.

Junior Year Grade Distribution *Class of 2019*

*** Our practice is to limit students to three Higher Level courses. ***

HL – Higher Level	SL – Standard Level	90 – 100 (A)	80-89 (B)	70-79 (C)	60-69 (D)	0-59 (F)
IB English HL1		14	28	14	0	0
IB English SL1		9	15	14	3	0
IB History HL1		7	10	5	1	0
IB History SL1		19	42	10	3	0
IB Biology HL1		12	17	14	1	0
IB Biology SL1		4	7	3	1	0
IB Environmental Science SL1		4	7	5	0	0
IB Physics HSL1, HL1		7	7	4	0	0
IB Chemistry SL1, HL1		9	5	1	2	0
IB Computer Science SL1, HL1		4	3	0	0	0
IB Math HL1		3	3	3	0	0
IB Math SL1		22	16	11	0	0
IB Math Studies 1		7	11	15	6	0
IB French HL1		0	7	0	0	0
IB French SL1		0	11	1	0	0
IB Latin HL1		8	12	10	0	0
IB Latin SL1		3	11	5	0	1
IB Spanish HL1		10	9	2	0	0
IB Spanish SL1		2	2	5	1	0
IB Theory of Knowledge 1		34	36	7	0	0
IB Psychology SL		7	2	2	1	0
IB Business SL		4	8	0	0	0
IB Business HL1		7	14	3	0	0
IB Art SL1, HL1		11	2	0	0	0
IB Music SL1/HL1		3	1	1	0	0
IB Theater HL1		4	2	1	0	0

College Admissions

Selected colleges and universities where graduates from the Sturgis West Classes of 2014-2018 have enrolled

Air Force Academy	College of the Holy Cross	Merrimack College	Tulane University
American University	Columbia University	Mount Holyoke College	Union College
Assumption College	Concordia Univ., Montreal	New England Maritime Inst.	United States Mil. Academy
Bard College	Connecticut College	New York University	University of California
Barnard College	Cornell University	New York U.- Abu Dhabi	University of Connecticut
Bates College	Davidson College	Northeastern University	University of Georgia
Becker College	Eckerd College	Norwich University	University of Maine
Bennington College	Elon University	Oberlin College	University of Massachusetts
Bentley University	Emerson College	Pace University	University of New Hampshire
Berklee College of Music	Emmanuel College	Pennsylvania State University	University of North Carolina
Bishops University	Endicott College	Providence College	University of Oregon
Boston College	Florida State University	Quinnipiac University	University of Rhode Island
Boston University	Fordham University	Regis College	University of South Carolina
Brandeis University	George Washington University	Ritsumeikan U., Japan	University of Tampa
Bridgewater State University	Johnson and Wales University	Rochester Inst. of Tech.	University of Vermont
Brown University	Juniata College	Roger Williams University	Vassar College
Bryant University	Lasell College	Royal Holloway U. of London	Villanova University
Cape Cod Community College	Lesley College	Rutgers University	Virginia Military Institute
Catholic University of America	Loyola University Maryland	Saint Michael's College	Virginia Polytechnic Institute
Clark University	Maine Maritime Academy	Salve Regina University	Wellesley College
Clemson University	Marist College	Seton Hall University	Wentworth Institute of Tech.
Coast Guard Academy	Marymount Manhattan Coll.	Simmons College	Wheaton College
Coastal Carolina University	Mass. Coll. of Pharm., Hlth Sci.	Skidmore College	Wheelock College
Colby College	Mass Coll. of Art and Design	Smith College	Williams College
Colgate University	Mass. Institute of Technology	Stonehill College	Wittenburg University
College of Charleston	Mass. Maritime Academy	Suffolk University	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
College of the Atlantic	McGill University	Syracuse University	Worcester State University

For additional information about Sturgis Charter Public School West, including course descriptions and national recognition, visit our [website](#).



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