



Quick Facts:

- Founded in 1811
- Campus Area: over 80 acres
- Grades at School: 6-12
- Total Students in School: 1600
- Teacher/Student Ratio: 12:1
- Type: Co-ed School
- ESL: Offered

School Introduction:

Since its founding in 1811, Thornton Academy has been a center of inspiration, innovation, and community in Saco, Maine. We prepare students for a changing world through our curriculum, facilities, extra-curricular opportunities, and student support. Students are encouraged to step outside their comfort zones, to try courses that challenge and intrigue them, and to take deep dives into subjects that spark curiosity. Engagement continues after school, through many clubs, activities, community service, and athletics.



School Facilities:

Thornton Academy's campus has a welcoming small college feel. With buildings spanning over 80 acres for students in grades 6-12, there is a place for everyone. We have four dormitories, five classroom buildings, a separate middle school building, a 500-seat auditorium, a gymnasium, a stadium that seats 4,000 with a turf field, and eight athletic fields. Our campus is safe, green, and a great place to learn and grow.

Courses:

- More than 200 academic course offerings
- 26 AP courses, 7 foreign languages, 42 honors courses, 4 levels of ELL

STEM Education:

Thornton Academy's STEM facilities are at the apex of technology with the recent establishment of an engineering laboratory on campus where students pursue inquiry-based design skills in a hands-on environment. A \$2 million STEM Center opened in 2015, including four modern laboratory classrooms, four brand-new mathematics classrooms, and a renovated engineering and robotics lab.

University credit courses are offered by the College of Engineering at the University of Maine, the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of New England, the University of Southern Maine, and regional community colleges.

Highlight:

- **Most Peaceful State in the U.S.**
- **More than 200 courses 26 AP, 42 Honors Courses**
- **STEM Program**



Location:

- Main Street Saco, Maine
- Airport Code: RST, LSE



Visual & Performing Arts

Visual Arts: Painting, Photography, Ceramics, Printmaking, Sculpture, Illustration;

Performing Arts: Performance, Dance, Dance Drama, Stage Design, Drama Basics, AP Art Studio (2D, 3D);

Music: Piano, Band, Concert Singing, Wind Band, Concert Chorus, Rock History, Jazz Band.



Athletics:

Our athletic teams have won more than 50 state championships. Today we offer more than 50 teams at many different levels.

Fall Sports:

- Football
- Soccer
- Cross Country
- Cheerleading
- Golf
- Field Hockey
- Volleyball

Winter Sports:

- Basketball
- Swimming & Diving
- Indoor Track & Field
- Cheerleading
- Wrestling
- Ice Hockey

Spring Sports

- Baseball
- Softball
- Tennis
- Track & Field
- Lacrosse



TA IS IN THE TOP 2% OF HIGH SCHOOLS FOR ATHLETICS IN THE USA

Extra-curricular Activities:

Cotter Schools offer over activities and 85% of students participate in one or more extracurricular activities.

Including Art Club, Bike Lab, National Honor Society, Student Council, Spanish Club, Speech Team, Debate, Math Team, Music Listening, Show Choir, Yearbook Club and more.....

University Acceptances Include:

Boston University • Bowdoin College • Columbia University • Cornell University • Dartmouth College • Duke University • Emory University • George Washington University • Johns Hopkins University • MIT • New York University • Parsons School of Design • Providence College • UC Los Angeles • UC Berkeley • University of Michigan • University of Southern California and more



Dormitories and Student Life:

Thornton Academy offers modern, state-of-the-art dormitories. Each room includes a twin bed, desk, wardrobe, bookshelf and chair for each student. Each dormitory is outfitted with kitchens and lounges equipped with big-screen TVs. A dedicated 24/7 dorm nurse and residential life advisors are also available for support.

