

High School Academics

10th Grade



BOSTON COLLEGIATE
CHARTER SCHOOL

The mission of Boston Collegiate Charter School is simple yet ambitious:
to prepare each student for college.

Overview of 10th Grade

Our tenth grade program prepares students for the college-level courses offered in Junior year. Students will be given the tools and ability to succeed in academically challenging courses while demonstrating critical thinking and problem-solving skills. By the end of 10th grade, sophomores will approach 11th grade with confidence and practical study skills.

All tenth grade students in Massachusetts take both the ELA and Math MCAS exams. Our program prepares students for success on this exam, with the goal of not only receiving a passing score, but qualifying with scores to earn the Abigail Adams Scholarship, which can be applied to tuition at Massachusetts state colleges and universities.

Collegiate Skills

The 10th grade My Path course helps to cement the connection between interests, college, and careers. Students focus on college and career connections through job shadow days, observations of junior internship presentations, and guest lectures from local professionals. Our 10th grade students also continue visiting colleges and universities.

Sample Daily Schedule

7:45 - 8:38 AM	A Block
8:42 - 9:33 AM	B Block
9:37 - 10:28 AM	C Block
10:32 - 11:23 AM	D Block
11:27 - 12:18 PM	E Block
12:22 - 12:51 PM	Lunch
12:55 - 1:46 PM	F Block
1:50 - 2:45 PM	G Block

The schedule "flips" on Thursdays and Fridays. Students start the day with G Block and end with A Block.

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Our curriculum at Boston Collegiate is based on the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks and is designed to be culturally relevant. Our instruction is focused on engaging all students in deeper learning, enabling them to retain and transfer knowledge through analysis, synthesis, and creation.

Mathematics

In grades 9 & 10, students explore topics of number sense, algebra, geometry, probability, and statistics through Integrated Math courses (I, II, and III). The goal is for topics to be more cohesive and for students to use aspects of different disciplines when necessary, as they would in the real world.

English

Students build on their skills from 9th-grade English, continuing to develop their critical reading, writing, and thinking skills through the exploration of five fundamental genres. In addition, they will continue to develop presentation skills through public speaking opportunities. They prepare to perform well on the spring MCAS, a graduation requirement

Spanish

In their second year of Spanish language acquisition, 10th graders could take a Spanish II or III course. There is also the option to take a Heritage course for Spanish-speakers looking to study the language in a formal, academic setting. In their second year of Spanish, students will focus on speaking skills while increasing their confidence in reading, writing, and listening comprehension.

Science

By creating a foundation in chemistry knowledge and skills, students will explore chemical topics that affect their daily lives. 10th-grade scientists will learn through demonstrations and laboratory experiments as well as discussions and research.

History

Students engage in a deep study of the history of the United States with a focus on connecting lessons from American history to present practices and experiences. They assess and analyze both primary and secondary resources, incorporate current events, research and write persuasively and analytically about historical events and questions, and articulate their points of view in discussions and debates.

PE, Art & CS

During the 10th grade year, our students engage in three specials classes. **Physical Education** continues the focus on fostering an active and healthy lifestyle. **Studio Art** is designed for students to study the elements of art and the principles of design and color theory as they relate to specific 2-D and 3-D applications. **Computer Science Explorations** gives students the skills needed for future CS elective courses.

