

# Loomis Chaffee | College Admission Profile 2019–20



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## School Description

The Loomis Chaffee School is a four-year, coeducational, independent boarding school located on a 300-acre campus in Windsor, Connecticut. Chartered in 1874 by five siblings whose children all died tragically and who then selflessly founded a school as a gift to the children of others, Loomis provides a superb education for motivated and talented students, inspiring in them a commitment to the best self and the common good. Academically rigorous, the school promotes the pursuit of excellence “in spirit, mind, and body” within a community where it is easy to be “good and friendly” and where the diversity of person and idea are not only respected but championed. All 725 Loomis students, who currently represent 30 U.S. states and 48 countries, plan to attend four-year colleges and universities. The school is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges and is a founding member of the Association of College Counselors of Independent Schools.

## Key Facts for College Admission Officers

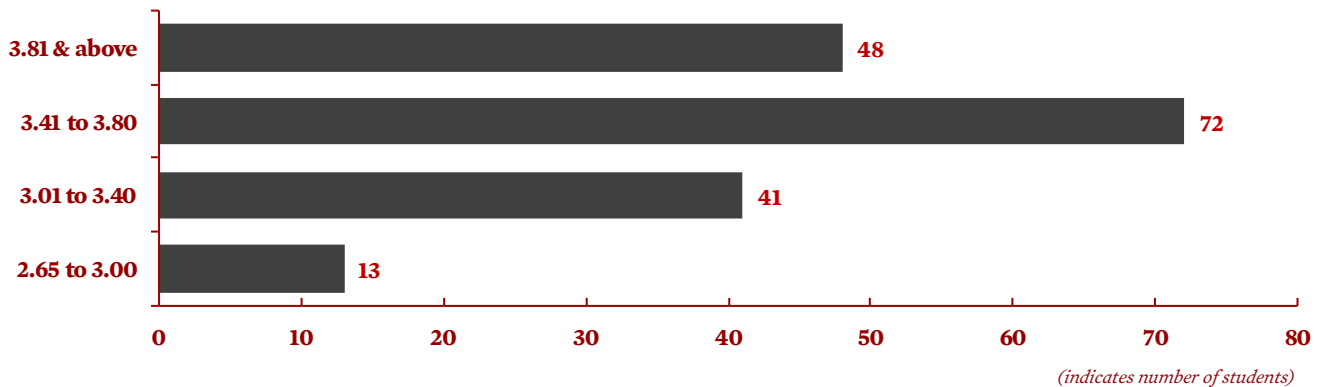
- The Innovation Trimester, which launched its inaugural term during the spring of 2019, provides about a dozen Loomis students with the resources and structure to identify and provide solutions for community-wide problems. The program gives students the opportunity to be a part of an interdisciplinary team and to develop agency as they realize that their skills and knowledge can culminate in meaningful societal change and improvement. The curriculum of the Innovation Trimester will include the following five graded components or courses: Communications Studies, Rhetoric in Theory & Practice, Advanced Humanities Research Skills, Quantitative Research Analysis, and Social Entrepreneurship.
- As of the 2016-17 school year, our highest level courses have the designation of “CL” (for “College Level”) on the transcript. We consider these to be AP level or higher.
- Courses that move at an accelerated pace, go beyond normal curricular requirements and require longer homework assignments are designated as “Advanced.”
- Loomis Chaffee runs on a trimester system. **Fall term grades are available the week of Thanksgiving; winter term grades are available in early March.**
- The grading system, A-F, also includes a pass/fail option in one course in spring term for seniors taking five courses.
- Loomis Chaffee does not rank its students nor provide a GPA.
- The average course load is five courses with the exception of sophomores who typically take four courses along with graduation requirements Writers Workshop and Fitness & Wellness.
- Approximately 20% of the senior class earns a Global and Environmental Studies Certificate, which recognizes academic, extracurricular, and experiential studies focused on these areas.
- Loomis Chaffee offers 50 CL term or year-long courses and 19 Advanced courses. Because of the sequencing of our academic program, it is difficult for a student to take more than seven CL courses and four advanced courses during their four years.
- There are 725 students in grades 9 through 12 and postgraduate study, and 190 students in the Class of 2020.
- Loomis Chaffee reports any suspension to colleges and universities.

## Curriculum Notes

| SUBJECT                        | REQUIREMENT                                 | NOTES   |
|--------------------------------|---|---|
| English *                      | 4 years                                     | No advanced or CL coursework offered until grade 11   |
| Foreign Language               | 3 year proficiency in one language          | No advanced or CL coursework offered in Arabic  |
| History and Social Science *   | 2 years (world history, U.S. history)       |   |
| Philosophy/Psychology/Religion | 2 courses, at least one in grades 11 or 12  | No advanced or CL coursework offered  |
| Mathematics                    | 3 years (2 algebra, one geometry)           | CL Statistics Accelerated course covers the AP Statistics curriculum while meeting only twice a week; for extremely able mathematics students |
| Science *                      | 2 years (1 life and 1 physical science)     |   |
| Arts                           | 3 courses for 4 year students; 2 for others |   |
| Independent Study              |   | Offered in rare cases for students who have gone above and beyond our curricular offerings in a discipline                                    |

\* Guided Research Projects in Humanities, Environmental Science and Molecular Biology allow students to participate in mentored independent research; for extremely able students.

## Cumulative Unweighted Grade Point Average Distribution for Class of 2020



## Testing Information

### Testing

The middle 50 percent of the students in the Class of 2019 scored in the following ranges:

| SAT  |          | ACT       |       |
|------|----------|-----------|-------|
| EBRW | 630-730* | English   | 25-35 |
| Math | 620-760  | Math      | 26-31 |
|      |          | Reading   | 25-34 |
|      |          | Science   | 23-32 |
|      |          | Composite | 25-32 |

\*includes TOEFL-eligible students

In the past five years, Loomis Chaffee has graduated 10 National Merit Semifinalists and 89 National Merit Commended Scholars.

### SAT Subject Test Mean Class of 2019

|                     |     |
|---------------------|-----|
| Biology - Molecular | 636 |
| Chemistry           | 675 |
| Literature          | 625 |
| Math Level I        | 657 |
| Math Level II       | 715 |
| Physics             | 693 |
| Spanish             | 689 |
| U.S. History        | 628 |

## Class of 2019 College Matriculation

|  |                                 |   |  |
|--|---------------------------------|---|--|
| American University                                      | Davidson College                | Quinnipiac University                                     | University of Connecticut                  |
| Amherst College  | Dickinson College               | Randolph-Macon College                                    | University of Denver                       |
| Babson College   | Duke University                 | Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute                          | University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign |
| Barnard College  | Endicott College                | Richmond, The American International University in London | University of Massachusetts, Amherst       |
| Bentley University                                       | Florida Gulf Coast University   | Rollins College   | University of Miami                        |
| Boston College   | Fordham University              | Salve Regina University                                   | University of Michigan                     |
| Boston University  | George Washington University    | Skidmore College  | University of Pennsylvania                 |
| Bowdoin College  | Georgetown University           | Southern Methodist University                             | University of St Andrews                   |
| Brandeis University                                      | Georgia Institute of Technology | Stanford University                                       | University of Vermont                      |
| Brown University   | Hamilton College (New York)     | Stevens Institute of Technology                           | University of Virginia                     |
| Bucknell University                                      | Harvey Mudd College             | Susquehanna University                                    | University of Wisconsin, Madison           |
| California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo | Hobart and Wm. Smith Colleges   | Trinity College   | Ursinus College                            |
| Carleton College   | Howard University               | Tufts University  | Vanderbilt University                      |
| Carnegie Mellon University                               | Indiana University, Bloomington | Tulane University   | Vassar College                             |
| Case Western Reserve University                          | Johns Hopkins University        | Union College (New York)                                  | Villanova University                       |
| Colby College  | Kenyon College                  | United States Military Academy                            | Virginia Tech                              |
| Colgate University                                       | Lafayette College               | University of California, Los Angeles                     | Wake Forest University                     |
| College of Charleston                                    | Lehigh University               | University of California, San Diego                       | Wesleyan University                        |
| College of the Holy Cross                                | Marist College                  | University of California, Santa Barbara                   | Western University                         |
| Colorado College   | Middlebury College              | University of Chicago                                     | William & Mary                             |
| Colorado College   | Monmouth University             | University of Colorado at Boulder                         | Williams College                           |
| Columbia University                                      | New York University             |   | Yale University                            |
| Connecticut College                                      | Northeastern University         |   |  |
| Cornell University                                       | Occidental College              |   |  |
| Dartmouth College  | Purdue University               |   |  |

## Five-Year College Matriculation

**Over the past five years, four or more Loomis Chaffee students have matriculated to the following institutions:**

|                                 |                              |                                       |  |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| American University             | Dartmouth College            | Northeastern University               | University of Denver                       |
| Amherst College                 | Davidson College             | Northwestern University               | University of Edinburgh                    |
| Babson College                  | Dickinson College            | Occidental College                    | University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign |
| Barnard College                 | Duke University              | Princeton University                  | University of Miami                        |
| Bates College                   | Elon University              | Purdue University                     | University of Michigan                     |
| Boston College                  | Emory University             | Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute      | University of Pennsylvania                 |
| Boston University               | Fordham University           | Rochester Institute of Technology     | University of Southern California          |
| Bowdoin College                 | Franklin & Marshall College  | Skidmore College                      | University of St Andrews                   |
| Brandeis University             | George Washington University | Southern Methodist University         | University of Toronto                      |
| Brown University                | Georgetown University        | St. Lawrence University               | University of Vermont                      |
| Bucknell University             | Gettysburg College           | Stanford University                   | University of Virginia                     |
| Carnegie Mellon University      | Hamilton College (New York)  | Syracuse University                   | University of Wisconsin, Madison           |
| Case Western Reserve University | Harvard College              | Trinity College                       | Vanderbilt University                      |
| Claremont McKenna College       | Johns Hopkins University     | Tufts University                      | Vassar College                             |
| Colby College                   | Kenyon College               | Tulane University                     | Villanova University                       |
| Colgate University              | Lafayette College            | Union College (New York)              | Washington University in St. Louis         |
| College of the Holy Cross       | Lehigh University            | University of California, Los Angeles | Wellesley College                          |
| Colorado College                | Marist College               | University of California, San Diego   | Wesleyan University                        |
| Columbia University             | McGill University            | University of Chicago                 | Williams College                           |
| Connecticut College             | Middlebury College           | University of Colorado at Boulder     | Yale University                            |
| Cornell University              | New York University          | University of Connecticut             |  |