



PROGRAM OF STUDIES

2022 - 2023

Welcome from the Head of School

The Cambridge Matignon School is an independent, coeducational college preparatory school in the Roman Catholic educational tradition. We are a diverse and inclusive community, located in the global academic capital of Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Our students come from the Greater Boston area, from across the United States, and from countries around the world.

For the past seventy-five years, The Cambridge Matignon School has prepared our students for college and for service throughout society and the professions. Our faculty are graduates from leading institutions of higher learning; they bring that expertise to the classroom. Our curriculum, based on experiential learning, is designed to help each student develop their skills in an applied setting.

Our students have the opportunity to participate in our specialized academic programs, including the Boston Hockey Academy and the Cambridge Arts Academy -- an innovative arts program offered in partnership with the American Repertory Theatre at Harvard University.

Ninety-eight percent of our recent graduates have been accepted into a wide variety of colleges and universities, including Harvard University, Boston College, Boston University, Catholic University of America, College of the Holy Cross, Dartmouth College, Emmanuel College, Fordham University, Howard University, Northeastern University, Saint Anselm College, Sarah Lawrence University, Suffolk University, Tufts University, and Pennsylvania State University.

The Cambridge Matignon School works with each student to unlock their potential. We are committed to the care of each student, and we help each student find real-world ways to serve both local and global communities, in an intelligent, compassionate, equitable, and wholehearted way.

Summing up, at Cambridge Matignon you will find:

- An education of the highest possible quality.
- A friendly and supportive academic community.
- An innovative experiential learning curriculum.
- Partnership with local colleges and universities.



I hope to see you on campus soon!

Paul Christopher Manuel

Paul Christopher Manuel, Ph.D.
HEAD OF SCHOOL



ARTS DEPARTMENT



Our objective is to engage students and help spark their creativity. Students are encouraged to explore the curricular and extracurricular opportunities at Cambridge Matignon and showcase their individual talents and interests. Students use the universal language of the arts to communicate about their individual experience and perception of the world. Encouraging the development of students' creative skills and respect for each others' work leads to a greater appreciation of the arts throughout their lifetime and a more well-rounded educational experience. The Fine Arts Department curriculum emphasizes the artistic process, a culturally diverse range of historical and contemporary artists, and student-centered, project-based learning.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Student artwork displayed around the school
- Variety of clubs and activities including: Art Club, Drama Club: Plays, Musicals, MA Dramafest, and our Literary Magazine
- Cambridge Matignon offers an outstanding Performing Arts Department, showcasing multiple drama productions and student performances throughout the school year.

COURSES

Introductory Art
Intermediate Art
Studio Art
Music Appreciation
Graphic Design
A.P. Studio Art: Drawing
A.P. Studio Art: 2D Design

** Additional online courses and electives available.*

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COLLEGE & SCHOOL COUNSELING

The Department of College and School Counseling works with each student to achieve academic success and promote personal development. No dream is too big, and opportunities and resources are endless. Our department goes above and beyond to ensure the success of each and every student.

The College & School Counseling Department provides college and career counseling, academic support, and social-emotional resources for every Cambridge Matignon student. Within these three areas, counselors provide individual student check-ins, teacher

consultations, referrals to resources, and classroom presentations.

These presentation topics include information on the college application process, test preparation, learning styles, and course selection in addition to parent presentations. While students are the primary focus, counselors work closely with parents, teachers, and administrators to ensure every student has the support they need and help to ensure equity and opportunity for all students. Students are assigned a counselor who will follow them throughout their four years at Cambridge Matignon.

COURSES

GRADE 9

Transition to High School
Building Study Skills & Advocacy Skills
Time Management Skills
Workshop: *Learning Styles & Study Tips*

GRADE 10

Identify Personal Strengths & Interests
Workshop: *Career Exploration*

GRADE 11

Begin College & Post-Secondary Planning
Standardized Testing Plan
Intro. to Naviance & Search Tools
Workshop: *Overview of Post-Secondary Planning and Search Process*

GRADE 12

Finalize College List
Complete College Applications & Scholarship Applications
Workshop: *Post-Secondary Applications*

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ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

The Cambridge Matignon English Department provides students with critical literary assessment skills through theme-based analytical papers, independent reading, class discussion, and project-based learning. Students are taught a variety of writing techniques and research tools. College application essays are a mandatory component of the senior curriculum and include editorial guidance and expertise from Matignon faculty. Smart Board technology provides English Department students the opportunity to showcase their creative thinking and public speaking skills through multimedia presentations.

The English Department provides a well-rounded relevant English curriculum that prepares students with critical reading, writing, and thinking skills for college and beyond.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Grade 9 Study skills unit
- Google Classroom Writing Portfolios
- Matignon Literary Magazine: *Writer's Showcase*
- Matignon Newspaper: *Matignon Mirror*

COURSES

English I - Intro to Literature I
English I Honors
English II - Intro to Literature II
English II Honors
English III - American Literature
English III Honors
English IV - World Literature
English IV Honors
ELL English
A.P. English Lit. & Composition
Creative Writing
Journalism
SAT/ACT Preparation

** Additional online courses and electives available.*

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EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

The Cambridge Matignon School embraces experiential learning as an integral aspect of our private school's academic curriculum and student programs. Our pedagogical mission is to provide our students with the skills necessary to thrive in a 21st century world that rewards innovation and the abilities to think critically and collaborate.

Our vision of education at Cambridge Matignon has three core components:

- Rigorous, interdisciplinary student-centered learning that is deep, active, and project-based
- Rich experiential learning opportunities that provide real-

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world relevance by being career-oriented and research-based

- A focus on global citizenship through international immersion and programs in solidarity with various communities, which bring the world to our students and our students out into the world

ELECTIVES

Experiential Learning Seminar I (Grade 11)
Experiential Learning Seminar II (Grade 12)

Students assigned to the Experiential Learning Seminar can partake in an internship, work closely with a staff mentor, or develop their own independent research project. Students are encouraged to think outside of the box and explore a topic of their choosing. At the end of the year, students will present a capstone project highlighting their hands-on, real-world experiences.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Our TEAL Center at Cambridge Matignon supports interactive student learning across disciplines in a reimagined academic environment. Inspired by a classroom design at MIT, the center features cutting-edge Sony technology that seamlessly connects the teacher to student groups through shared screens and interactive software. Easily movable furniture and ample white board space fosters student collaboration and critical thinking in a flexible learning environment. The TEAL Center will serve Matignon students as a hub for innovative teaching and experiential learning.

University & Private Partnerships

Past partnerships have included:



- Partnership with Harvard University's American Repertory Theatre offering innovative programming for our students.



- Tier 1 Hockey Academy, offering high-end development alongside our academics and international community



- Hands-on biotech lab experiences for students.



- ACE Program, also designed our TEAL Lab.



- Students can take free college courses during the summer terms.

MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT

The Mathematics Department at Cambridge Matignon offers a college preparatory curriculum with a variety of courses to best meet students' math aptitude, as well as a student-centered approach to learning that focuses on making mathematical concepts relevant to real-world issues. A four-year minimum for mathematics is required of all Cambridge Matignon students. SAT preparation courses are built into the curriculum to enhance preparation for standardized college admissions testing. Smart Board technologies reinforce textbook instruction and allow for real-time, relevant graphic calculator demonstrations. The Mathematics Department prioritizes student learning with extra help sessions and opportunities for advanced math learning. Placement exams and

test-out options are available to ensure students are appropriately placed in their courses and are prepared for challenging lessons. Course sequencing options are available that allow students to learn Calculus their senior year. Cambridge Matignon offers a rigorous Mathematics curriculum that tests students' fundamental math knowledge and expands their mathematical understanding for success beyond The Cambridge Matignon School.

BUSINESS COURSES

Accounting I
Personal Finance

MATH COURSES

Algebra I
Algebra I Honors
Geometry
Geometry Honors
Algebra II
Algebra II Honors
SAT/ACT Prep Course
Trigonometry
College Prep Math
Pre-Calculus Honors
Calculus Honors
A.P. Calculus AB
Statistics Honors
A.P. Statistics

** Additional online courses and electives available.*

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SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

The Science Department supports a hands-on, multi-faceted science curriculum that incorporates project-based learning. Students begin their science curriculum in Biology; as Sophomores their core focus is in Chemistry. Students must complete three years of science choosing from a variety of sub-disciplines during junior and senior years. Modern laboratory facilities provide students with the opportunity to learn foundational science knowledge and practice universal laboratory skills. Multimedia instructional technology, field trips to museums, university laboratory facilities, and biotech companies reinforce classroom, textbook, and lab learning, and enhance the STEM curriculum by providing relevant experiential learning. The Science Department faculty members advise students in their pursuit of science and technology studies at the college level as well as in their careers.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Motivated students can participate in the Science Olympiad, a national competition that delves into a variety of science topics
- Motivated students can participate in scientific competitions. In recent years, Cambridge Matignon students have excelled in state Science Competitions including The Massachusetts State Science Fair.
- Annual Science Fair
- Robotics Engineering Design Team
- Off-campus visits to college laboratories and local biotech companies

COURSES

Biology
Biology Honors
A.P. Biology
Chemistry
Chemistry Honors
Physics
Physics Honors
A.P. Physics
Human Anatomy & Physiology
Human Anatomy & Physiology Honors
Engineering

** Additional online courses and electives available.*

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SOCIAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT

The Social Studies department aims to provide all Cambridge Matignon students with requisite knowledge to actively participate in everyday democracy. The Social Studies curriculum emphasizes national awareness by designing units centered on the development of American political, economic, and social institutions, and promotes reflective global citizenship through classroom experiences that educate students on the current state of affairs among nations and peoples around the world. Thematic and project-based learning in world and U.S. history courses allows students to draw connections among historical events, reinforcing critical thinking and analytical skills. Cambridge

Matignon students have the opportunity to learn the fundamentals of law and psychology as elective courses within the department. Social Studies experiential learning opportunities such as Mock Trial strengthen classroom learning and help students to develop the tools required for good citizenship in an ever-changing world.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Cambridge Matignon's Mock Trial partners with Boston College
- Advanced Placement courses are available on three grade levels.
- Guest Speakers

COURSES

World History
World History Honors
A.P. World History
U.S. History I
U.S. History I Honors
A.P. U.S. History
U.S. History II
U.S. History II Honors
American Law & Government
American Law & Government Honors
A.P. US Government
Sociology
Psychology
A.P. Psychology
Modern American History Honors
ELL History

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THEOLOGY DEPARTMENT

The Theology Department offers a curriculum that closely aligns with the mission of The Cambridge Matignon School. The curriculum educates and interprets the message of Jesus Christ and perpetuates Catholic morals and principles, academic excellence, respect for oneself and others, civic responsibility and service to the community. Students of all faiths and religions are encouraged to participate and share in their theological studies. The theology curriculum educates the whole student by incorporating Christian service into learning to develop students' character and morals in an experiential and relevant way. Students attend an annual retreat specifically designed to meet class needs and consistently expand their learning by attending monthly

Masses, joining the Liturgy Team, and participating in ongoing spiritual enrichment opportunities. Through the Theology curriculum and project-based units, students become life-long learners and understand their positive impact on the world.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Christian Service component
- Alternative Spring Break or International Solidarity Trips
- Overnight Retreat Option lead by the Student Retreat Team
- Seasonal Prayer Services
- Monthly Masses
- Student Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Greeters, and Choir

COURSES

Theology I: Hebrew Scriptures
Theology II: New Testament and Church History
Theology III: Morality and The Sacraments
Theology IV: Justice & Peace and World Religions
ELL Theology

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SPIRITUALITY

The Cambridge Matignon School is a Catholic high school that welcomes students from all faiths, with the understanding that it is our differences that make us stronger. All Cambridge Matignon students are encouraged to explore their own faith tradition. They are taught to search for the divine and to reflect on that which is life-giving through prayer and other forms of faith expression. At Cambridge Matignon our students are called to recognize the dignity of the human person and the responsibility that this imparts. They are challenged to respond to the divine call with a commitment to lift each other up and to serve each other and our communities.

Cambridge Matignon students are emboldened to examine the Catholic faith as well as their own faith traditions in their Theology classes, on class retreats, at school-wide liturgies, and in working together in service to our communities.

TECHNOLOGY

COURSES

Computer Science I
Computer Science II

Engineering
Robotics Club



WORLD LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT

The World Language Department at Cambridge Matignon provides an immersive learning experience for students in French or Spanish. Instruction is conducted in the target language to promote deeper learning and addresses national standards and frameworks. Students must complete a mandatory two-year language requirement, and are strongly encouraged to take advanced level courses to increase competitiveness on college applications. Language placement tests are available to incoming students to ensure that students are placed in appropriate and challenging courses. Opportunities to take national language exams are available for proficient students, and National French and Spanish Honor Societies recognize language achievement. Multimedia instructional technology and off-site field trips to culturally relevant restaurants, museums, and theaters reinforce textbook and classroom learning.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Language Clubs: There are a variety of clubs dedicated to various cultures of the world (and our school), including those languages offered by our department.
- World Language Honor Society: A ceremony is held to recognize students who have shown academic achievement in their study of the second language.
- National French and World Language Week events

COURSES

SPANISH

Spanish I
Spanish I Honors
Spanish II
Spanish II Honors
Spanish III
Spanish III Honors
Spanish IV Honors
Spanish V Honors
A.P. Spanish

FRENCH

French I
French I Honors
French II
French II Honors
French III
French III Honors
French IV Honors
French V Honors
A.P. French

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** Additional online courses and electives available.*





PHYSICAL EDUCATION

COURSE: Physical Education (Grades 9 and 12)

ATHLETICS

The Cambridge Matignon School's Athletics Department provides enriching athletic and physical experiences, which complement the students' education. Cambridge Matignon Athletics teach student athletes the values of self-discipline, respect, teamwork, and sportsmanship. The coaching and athletics staff provides a safe and healthy opportunity for competition within the framework and guidelines of the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA). Cambridge Matignon competes in the Catholic Central League, and offers 22 varsity sports. Students are allowed to participate in ONE sport per season. Cambridge Matignon scholar athletes are uniquely privileged because they are provided the chance to learn invaluable, lifelong interpersonal skills and have learning experiences that influence their character beyond the court, field, track, or ice rink.

FALL

- Boys Cross-Country
- Boys Varsity Soccer
- Varsity Cheerleading
- Girls Cross-Country
- Girls Varsity Soccer
- Girls JV Soccer
- Girls Varsity Volleyball
- Girls JV Volleyball
- Girls Freshman Volleyball
- Varsity Football

WINTER

- Boys Varsity Basketball
- Boys JV Basketball
- Boys Indoor Track
- Boys Varsity Hockey
- Boys JV Hockey
- Varsity Cheerleading
- Co-ed Swimming
- Girls Varsity Basketball
- Girls JV Basketball
- Girls Freshman Basketball
- Girls Indoor Track
- Girls Varsity Hockey

SPRING

- Boys Varsity Lacrosse
- Boys Outdoor Track
- Boys Varsity Tennis
- Girls Varsity Lacrosse
- Girls JV Lacrosse
- Girls Outdoor Track
- Girls Varsity Softball
- Girls JV Softball
- Girls Varsity Tennis
- Varsity Baseball
- JV Baseball

■ There is a "NO CUT" policy for Grade 9 athletes

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CLUBS & ACTIVITIES

With over 30 exciting clubs and activities to choose from, our students are enthusiastically engaged in Student Life at Matignon. From our award-winning Mock Trial Team, to the Women's Empowerment Club, to our STEP Team and everything in between. Whether you enjoy performing on stage, building robots, or practicing a new yoga pose there is something for every student.

Participating in a Matignon club allows students to explore new interests or continue to develop special talents. Through club activities students have the opportunity to meet new friends, be curious and creative, gain confidence, and grow as leaders. As members of a Matignon club, students experience the dedication of our teacher advisors, the passion of fellow students, and the deep sense of community shared by all. We strongly encourage all of our students to have fun and join a club or activity while at Matignon.

Have an idea for a new club? Be the founding member and start a new club at Matignon!

30+ CLUBS & STUDENT GROUPS

Art Club, Drama Club, Gardening Club,
International Club, Robotics Team, Science Club,
SOCA (Students of Color Association),
Student Council, etc.

100% *of* STUDENTS
COMPLETE *a minimum of* **60**
COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS



COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES

Arizona State University
 Assumption University
 Belmont Abbey College
 Bentley University
 Boston College
 Boston University
 Bridgewater State University
 Brown University
 Bryant University
 Bunker Hill Community College
 California College of the Arts
 Champlain College
 Clark University
 College of the Atlantic
 College of the Holy Cross
 Columbia University
 Connecticut College
 Cornell University
 Curry College
 Dartmouth College
 Dean College
 Elmira College
 Emmanuel College
 Endicott College
 Fairfield University
 Fitchburg State University
 Florida State University
 Fordham University
 Framingham State University
 George Washington University
 Georgia Institute of Technology
 Hampshire College
 Hawaii Pacific University
 Hofstra University
 Howard University

Hult International Business School
 Indiana University
 James Madison University
 Johnson & Wales
 Keene State College
 Lasell University
 Lesley University
 Louisiana State University
 Loyola University Maryland
 Marist College
 Marymount Manhattan College
 Massachusetts Bay
 Community College
 Massachusetts College of
 Pharmacy and Health Sciences
 Massachusetts Maritime Academy
 Medaille College
 Merrimack College
 Michigan State University
 Missouri Western State University
 Nichols College
 North Shore Community College
 Northeastern University
 Norwich University
 Ohio State University
 Ottawa University-Phoenix
 Pace University
 Pennsylvania State University
 Plymouth State University
 Pratt Institute
 Providence College
 Quinnipiac University
 Regis College
 Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Rhode Island School of Design
 Roger Williams University
 Sacred Heart University
 Saint Anselm College
 Saint Joseph's University
 Saint Michael's College
 Salem State University
 Salve Regina University
 School of the Art Institute
 of Chicago
 Seton Hall University
 Simmons University
 Springfield College
 St. John's University
 Stonehill College
 Suffolk University
 SUNY at Purchase College
 SUNY Maritime College
 Syracuse University
 Temple University
 The Catholic University
 of America
 The New School
 The University of Alabama
 The University of Auckland
 The University of Tampa
 The University of Texas
 at San Antonio
 Trinity Washington University
 Tufts University
 University of Arizona
 University of Bridgeport
 University of California-Irvine
 University of Connecticut

University of Hawaii
 at Manoa
 University of Iowa
 University of Maine
 University of Maine
 at Farmington
 University of Maryland
 -College Park
 University of Massachusetts
 -Amherst
 University of Massachusetts
 -Boston
 University of Massachusetts
 -Dartmouth
 University of Massachusetts
 -Lowell
 University of Minnesota
 University of New England
 University of New Hampshire
 University of New Haven
 University of Pittsburgh
 University of Rhode Island
 University of San Diego
 University of Toronto
 University of Vermont
 Villanova University
 Virginia Polytechnic Institute
 and State University
 Wentworth Institute
 of Technology
 Westfield State University
 Wheaton College
 Williams College
 Worcester Polytechnic Institute
 Worcester State University



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