



RISING TIDE CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOL

CELEBRATING 28 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE IN PUBLIC EDUCATION

2026-2027 High School Profile

SCHOOL OVERVIEW

Rising Tide Charter Public School is a college-preparatory public school serving grades 5-12. Founded as a middle school in 1998, Rising Tide expanded to include high school grades in 2011. There are 20 towns in Rising Tide's designated region. Rising Tide is driven by its mission to provide a strong academic program rooted in the history of Plymouth, Massachusetts and cultivate within its students a sense of belonging.

2026-2027 STUDENT ENROLLMENT

Total Enrollment, Grades 5-12: 599
Upper School (US) Enrollment: 215
Senior Class Enrollment: 50
US Free/Reduced Lunch Eligible Students: 59 (27%)
US Students Receiving Special Education Services (IEP): 68 (32%)

2026-2027 UPPER SCHOOL TEACHING FACULTY

Student-Teacher Ratio: 7:1
Teachers with Advanced Degrees: 19 (59%)

CLASS OF 2026 STATS

Total Students: 58
Graduating: 58 (100%)
College-Bound: 51 (88%)
Attending Four-Year Colleges: 41
Attending Two-Year Colleges: 10
Attending Vocational School: 2
Military Enlistment: 0
Career/Gap Year/Other: 4
John & Abigail Adams Scholarship: 26
National Honor Society: 17
Seal of Biliteracy: 8
SAT School Day Average Score: 1165

SNHU DUAL ENROLLMENT 2026-2027

Eligible Upper School students in Grade 11 and 12 are permitted to take a subset of Advanced-level courses via Dual Enrollment with Southern New Hampshire University. These courses are taught by Rising Tide faculty who have met SNHU's qualifications as adjunct professors. Dual Enrollment courses include Literature, Composition, Philosophy, Biology, Statistics, History, and Spanish. All Dual Enrollment courses are designated as most-rigorous-pathway courses and may be taken with or without receiving the SNHU credit. Students who opt into the SNHU credit will receive a separate SNHU transcript.

CAREER PATHWAYS 2026-2027

Eligible Upper School students can complete specialized, rigorous Pathways in one of the following six areas: Arts & Performance, Engineering Sciences, Language & Communications, Life & Health Sciences, Politics & Society, Software & Web Development. To complete a Pathway, students must take specific elective and Advanced courses and earn a grade of B- or better in each course. Completion of a Pathway - recognized on a student's official transcript - demonstrates academic achievement and preparation for area-aligned college and career opportunities.

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GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Arts 3 credits

English 4 credits

Mathematics 4 credits

Science 4 credits

Social Studies 3 credits

World Language 3 credits in one language

Fitness 0.5 credits each year

Twenty-eight (28) credits are required for
graduation, made up of full-year (1 credit)
and semester (0.5 credit) courses

APPROACH TO TEACHING AND LEARNING

At Rising Tide, teachers use an inquiry- and skills-based approach to foster personal and academic growth in students. This encourages students to reflect, take responsibility, ask questions, and think critically. The curriculum at Rising Tide is aligned with the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks and guided by the school's Mission, the four School-wide Objectives and Benchmark Skills, the Grade-Level Guiding Questions, and the Essential Questions within each discipline.

For further details, visit: <https://risingtide.org/educators>

TRANSCRIPT NOTES

GPA is unweighted.

Students are not ranked.

A grade of B+ or higher exceeds standard expectations.

Rising Tide courses are included in GPA only after completion.

Credits transferred from other high schools are not counted toward Rising Tide GPA.

Rising Tide considers its standard-level courses to be equivalent in rigor to honors-level courses at other public high schools in the region.

Most-rigorous pathway courses are labeled "Advanced" on the transcript and are usually only available to students in grade 11 & 12.

School-wide Objectives and Benchmark Skills

Communicator	Investigator	Self-Directed Learner	Community Steward
Receptive Skills	Inquiry Skills	Self-Awareness Skills	Skills in Awareness of Others
Expressive Skills	Innovation Skills	Skills in Taking Responsibility	Collaborative Skills

STANDARD GRADING SCALE

A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D+	D	D-	F
4.0	3.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	2.3	2.0	1.7	1.3	1.0	.7	0.0

NON-STANDARD GRADING SCALE

O S N U Grades are not included in GPA calculation.

Final Letter Grade	Quality Point Equivalent	Standard Grade Range
O	4.0	B+ to A
S	3.0	C to B
N	1.7	D- to C-
U	0.0	F

GPA DISTRIBUTION for the CLASS OF 2027

The below GPA is calculated from 9th-11th grade completed coursework at Rising Tide only.

LETTER GRADE	PERCENT GRADE	GPA RANGE	# of 2027 Students
A	93-100	3.85-4.0	2
A-	90-92	3.55-3.84	5
B+	87-89	3.15-3.54	9
B	83-86	2.85-3.14	4
B-	80-82	2.55-2.84	11
C+	77-79	2.15-2.54	7
C	73-76	1.85-2.14	4
C-	70-72	1.55-1.84	1
D+	67-69	1.15-1.54	6
D	63-66	0.85-1.14	1
D-	60-62	0.695-0.84	0
F	Below 62	0.694 or below	0

MOST RIGOROUS COURSES

Advanced Biology - (DE)

Advanced Calculus

Advanced Computer Science

Advanced Chemistry

Advanced English Composition (DE)

Advanced Latin IV/V

Advanced Literature (DE)

Advanced Modern World History (DE)

Advanced Philosophy (DE)

Advanced Physics

Advanced Pre-Calculus

Advanced Spanish III - (DE)

Advanced Spanish IV/V - (DE)

Advanced Statistics - (DE)

(DE) denotes a course approved by Southern New Hampshire University; students may receive Dual Enrollment credit.

Rising Tide considers its Advanced courses to be equivalent in rigor to lower-level college courses.

Students are permitted and encouraged to take the corresponding AP exams for all Advanced courses.

All courses require a previous grade of B- or higher in the subject and permission from the instructor.

SENIOR INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Internship is a signature program for eligible seniors. Students apply during their junior year, and accepted students are placed at sites according to their academic or career interests. Interns spend three afternoons each week at their sites and participate in a weekly career readiness class at Rising Tide.

2026-2027 INTERNSHIP SITES

Arc of Plymouth	Rising Tide Theater Department
Bay State Physical Therapy	Rising Tide World Languages
Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital	Department
Cape & Plymouth Business Marketing	SHP Financial
Carolann's	Southeastern Massachusetts Pine
Cat Clinic of Plymouth	Barrens Alliance
Community Connections Inc.	South Shore Conservatory
Gellar's Service Station	South Shore Resource and Advocacy
Herring Pond Watershed Association	Center
Manomet Conservation Sciences	Systems Support Inc.
Office of Congressman Keating	Valois Media
Office of Congressman Keating	Whale & Dolphin Conservation
OSP Children's Therapy	Woodside School
Plymouth Center for the Arts	
Reynold's Flowers	
Rising Tide Library	

ELECTIVES

Electives are semester-long courses intended to model the specialized nature of upper-level college courses and offer students an opportunity to gain broader and deeper experiences in areas about which they are curious. The following are the projected 2026-27 electives, which change each year.

2026-2027 ELECTIVES

Astronomy	History of Science
Bioinformatics	Human Physiology & Anatomy
Blue Heron Band	Human Rights
Broadway Dance	Intro to Archeology
Circuit Projects	Intro to Italian
Commercial Dance	Intro to Programming with Python
Comparative Religion	Microbiology
Creative Writing: Short Stories	Music and SciFi
Cybersecurity	Poetry & Society
Data Analysis with Google Sheets	Sociology
Data Science with Python	Theory of Musical Theater
Feminist Media Studies	The Tudors
Folklore & Fairytales	Visual Art Portfolio
Film Studies	Web Design & Development
Greek Tragedians	
High Middle Ages	

Classes of 2021-2026 College Matriculations

American University	Fitchburg State University**	Salve Regina University**
Augustana University	Florida Institute of Technology	School of Visual Arts
Bentley University	Framingham State University**	Siena College**
Boston University**	Franklin Pierce University	Simmons University**
Brandeis University	Franklin University (Switzerland)	Smith College
Bridgewater State University**	Howard University**	Southern New Hampshire University**
Brown University	Ithaca College	SpaTech**
Bryant University**	Landmark College**	Springfield College
Bryn Mawr College	Lasell University**	Stonehill College**
Cape Cod Community College**	LIM College	Suffolk University**
Catawba College**	MA College of Pharmacy and Health and Science**	Tufts University
Clark University	Massachusetts College of Art & Design**	Union College
CLI Conservatory	Massachusetts Maritime Academy**	University of California - Los Angeles
Colby-Sawyer College	Massasoit Community College**	University of Massachusetts - Amherst**
Concordia University (MN)	Michigan State University	University of Massachusetts - Boston**
Connecticut College	Mount Holyoke College	University of Massachusetts - Dartmouth**
Curry College**	Northeastern University**	University of Massachusetts - Lowell**
Dartmouth College	Norwich University	University of New Hampshire
Dean College**	Oberlin College	University of New Haven
Dickinson College	Penn State University	University of South Florida
Drexel University	Plymouth State University	University of Tampa
Duke University	Purdue University	Vancouver Film School (Canada)
Eckerd College**	Quinnipiac University	Vermont State University**
Elmira College	Regis College**	Wake Forest University
Elon University	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	Wellesley College
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University	Rochester Institute of Technology**	Wentworth Institute of Technology**
Emmanuel College	Roger Williams University**	Wheaton College (MA)**
Endicott College	Sacred Heart University**	Worcester Polytechnic Institute**
Fairfield University	Saint Anselm College**	Worcester State University
Fashion Institute of Technology**	Saint Michael's College	**denotes multiple matriculations