



MAHARISHI SCHOOL

INFORMATION

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STUDENT BODY

Approximately 180 students
Preschool through 12th grade, 50 in the Upper School, 15 boarding students, 25% international students
Average Class Size: 12 students

MARKING SYSTEM

The unweighted 4.0 grading system is used for academic courses. The Maharishi School does not use class rank.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Maharishi School requires that all graduates have the following:

- 4.0 credits English
- 4.0 credits in social studies, including 0.5 credit American Government and 1.0 credit American History
- 4.0 credits in math or at least Algebra II
- 4.0 credits in science

Each year, Maharishi School students must take courses in the following categories:

- Laboratory Science
- Social Studies
- Physical Education
- Research in Consciousness (Transcendental Meditation) and Consciousness, Connections, and Life Skills (core course)
- Project-Based Learning
- Electives, including performing and visual arts, computer science, college and career readiness and economics, among others

ABOUT

Maharishi School is a non-sectarian, college preparatory day and boarding school with students from over 30 countries in preschool through grade 12. In both conventional classroom settings and in dedicated Project-Based Learning modules, the school is committed to rigorous and innovative curricula in English, visual and performing arts, social science, math, technology, and science. Curricular content and pedagogy incorporate the principles of Consciousness-Based Education, which promote deeper levels of thinking, and help students comprehend the universal connections between their academic pursuits and themselves. Students practice the Transcendental Meditation® (TM) technique twice each day.

COMMUNITY

Maharishi School's 9-acre campus is located on the larger 350-acre campus of Maharishi University of Management, an international university with approximately 1,400 students from 85 countries. Maharishi School is located in the small town of Fairfield, Iowa. Although the town's population is less than 10,000, it has many of the cultural opportunities one would expect to find in a much larger community because of Fairfield's status as a center of the international Transcendental Meditation movement. Graduates of Maharishi School have grown up in an environment that is culturally rich, healthy (cafeteria meals at the school are organic and vegetarian), and progressive. The town has been officially designated as a Blue Zone community, and ranked 7th in the 2013 Smithsonian Magazine's "20 Best Small Towns to Visit."

HONORS AND AP COURSES

Maharishi School offers AP courses plus selected Honors options in subjects where AP courses are not available. As of the school year 2018-2019, AP course offerings include AP U.S. History, AP English Language and Composition, AP Calculus and AP Physics.

Honors course designation has provided students seeking extra challenge a means of augmenting their academic experience with more scholarly achievement and real-world application. Teachers define the enrichment activities and assignments that earn Honors credit, and students petition to complete the course for Honors credit. Transcripts reflect Honors credit in the Letter Grade column.

Adaptations and accommodations are made for students with identified learning disabilities and other special needs. If the adaptations are significant, the grades are marked with a circle on the transcript.



SAT STATISTICS: MEDIAN SAT SCORES FOR CLASS OF 2018

EBRW: 660

Math: 640

Composite: 1300

ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNING (ELL)

The ELL program at Maharishi School is designed to meet the needs of students with differing levels of English language acquisition and advance their foundational language skills. In addition to separate ELL classes, the Maharishi School provides dynamic ELL support in language acquisition in core discipline areas. English Language Learners may take integrated classes with an ELL designation on their report card, reflecting additional support given to meet their language needs. An ELL course title in history, science, and math indicates that the content has accommodated the students' language levels; however, critical benchmarks of academic achievement are retained and reflected in the students' grades.

RECENT GRADUATES HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED TO THE FOLLOWING COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES:

Babson College
Bard College
Beloit College
Bennington College
Boston University (2)
California State Long Beach
University of California Irvine
University of California Santa Barbara
Carleton College
Columbia College
George Washington University
Grinnell College (4)
Indiana University Bloomington
Iowa State University (3)
Maharishi University of Management (7)
Maryland Institute
Middlebury College
Ohio University
Otis College of Art and Design

Penn State
Purdue University (3)
Rensselaer Polytech
Sarah Lawrence College (2)
St. Olaf College
University of Cincinnati
University of Colorado Boulder
University of Connecticut
University of Glasgow
University of Illinois Chicago
University of Indiana Bloomington
University of Iowa (15)
University of Iowa, Honors Program (4)
University of New Hampshire (2)
University of North Carolina Chapel Hill
University of South Dakota
University of Tulsa
University of Utah
University of Washington Seattle (2)
University of Wisconsin
Wesleyan University