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Founded in 1898, Miss Hall's School is a four-year, college preparatory boarding and day school for girls. The School provides a rigorous college preparatory program, which is enhanced by full offerings in the arts and athletics and by two nationally recognized and innovative programs, Horizons and the Girls' Leadership Project.

MISSION

Miss Hall's School inspires and encourages each girl to pursue the highest standards of learning and character; to contribute boldly and creatively to the common good; and to seek a purposeful life based on honor, respect, and personal authenticity.

CORE VALUES

Authenticity. Honor. Respect. Growth.

ENROLLMENT

There are 210 students at Miss Hall's School; 150 of those students board. The student body is represented by 20 states and 20 countries. There are 62 students in the Class of 2015, and all seniors attend college after graduation.

FACULTY

There are 33 full-time teaching faculty members, 25 of whom hold graduate degrees.

ACCREDITATION

The School is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC).

MEMBERSHIPS

The School holds memberships in NEASC; the Association of College Counselors in Independent Schools (ACCIS); the Association of Independent Schools in New England (AISNE); the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS); National Association of College Admission Counseling (NACAC); New England Association of College Admission Counseling (NEACAC); the National Coalition of Girls' Schools (NCGS); and the College Board.

ACADEMICS

A full academic load is considered to be five courses; approximately one-half of the students take six. Class sections average eleven. To receive a Miss Hall's School diploma, a student must have a minimum of eighteen (18) academic credits, with the following distribution: four (4) credits of English; three (3) credits each of History (US History is required), Math, Science (two lab sciences are required), and a Foreign Language, plus one (1) credit of Expressive Arts. One or more credits are required in Elective Courses. In addition, students are required to participate in the Horizons program each year in order to earn their diplomas. Advanced Placement and Honors courses are offered in all disciplines and are so designated on the transcript. Enrollment in these classes requires teacher approval and requisite academic performance.

AP courses are offered in the following subject areas:

Art	Chemistry	Statistics
Biology	English Literature and Composition	U.S. History
Calculus AB	Environmental Science	U.S. Politics and Government
Calculus BC	Human Geography	

As each AP class has an additional laboratory period, the number of AP classes a student may take in a given year is frequently limited to three. Students enrolled in AP classes are required to sit for the AP exam. In 2013-2014, eighty students took 130 AP exams; 88 percent of MHS AP students earned a grade of 3 or higher.

GRADES

Grades are recorded on the transcript as letters, which have the following numerical equivalents: A (100-93); A- (92-90); B+ (89-87); B (86-83); B- (82-80); C+ (79-77); C (76-73); C- (72-70); D+ (69-67); D (66-63); D- (62-60); F (59-0)

Numerical averages are weighted at the end of the semester by one point in Honors courses and by two points in Advanced Placement courses. This is reflected in the grade point average but not in the letter grades recorded on the transcript.

RANK

Miss Hall's School does not rank. Provided with each school transcript, however, are the cumulative grade point average and detailed charts of junior year grade ranges, which demonstrate the relative difficulty of each course taken by students in their junior year. The chart indicates that median performance falls somewhere between the high 70s and the mid 80s.

HORIZONS

The Horizons program at Miss Hall's provides each student with opportunities to participate in work and service for the purpose of enhancing a sense of competence and worth by doing; refining social, communication, decision-making, and problem-solving skills while contributing to community needs; testing values and defining moral positions in the context of community; encouraging volunteer service as an important part of life; and increasing financial literacy.

Seniors participate in yearlong internships in social service, medical, business, or cultural organizations in Berkshire County. Approximately twenty-seven Thursday mornings are devoted to the program over the course of the academic year. Horizons is considered part of the academic program, and attendance is required of all students.

GIRLS' LEADERSHIP PROJECT

Promoting one's strengths, negotiating with others, accepting and giving constructive criticism, and speaking directly and with conviction about what matters most are central to leading a life of purpose. The MHS Girls' Leadership Project challenges girls to learn these and other skills so that they can bring themselves into authentic and influential relationships with others and create positive change.

ATHLETICS

The School's athletic program is divided into three seasons, with all students required to participate in at least two seasons. At least one season must include participation in a team sport. While no academic credit is issued for participation in the School's athletic program, it is a required program with the same attendance expectations as an academic class.

Colleges and universities to which Miss Hall's graduates have been accepted or have attended include:

American University	Georgia Institute of Technology	Saint Michael's College
Babson College	Gettysburg College	Sarah Lawrence College
Bard College	Goucher College	School of the Art Institute of Chicago
Barnard College	Hamilton College	Scripps College
Bates College	Harvard University	Simmons College
Bentley University	Hobart and William Smith Colleges	Skidmore College
Boston College	Ithaca College	Smith College
Boston University	Johns Hopkins University	Spelman College
Brandeis University	Kenyon College	Syracuse University
Brown University	Lafayette College	Trinity College
Bryn Mawr College	Lake Forest College	Tufts University
Bucknell University	Lawrence University	Union College
Carleton University	Lehigh University	University of California
Carnegie Mellon University	Macalester College	University of Illinois
Colby College	McGill University	University of Massachusetts
Colgate University	Middlebury College	University of Maryland
College of William & Mary	Mount Holyoke College	University of Michigan
College of Wooster	Muhlenberg College	University of New Hampshire
Colorado College	New York University	University of North Carolina
Connecticut College	Northeastern University	University of Notre Dame
Cornell University	Northwestern University	University of Pennsylvania
Dartmouth College	Oberlin College	University of Richmond
Dickinson College	Occidental College	University of Rochester
Duke University	Pitzer College	University of Southern California
Elon University	Princeton University	Vassar College
Emerson College	Providence College	Wake Forest University
Emory University	Purdue University	Wellesley College
Fordham University	Quinnipiac University	Wesleyan University
Franklin & Marshall College	Rhode Island School of Design	Wheaton College
George Washington University	Roanoke College	Williams College
Georgetown University	St. Lawrence University	Yale University