



THE GLENHOLME
SCHOOL

Washington, Connecticut
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The Glenholme School is an independent, coeducational special needs boarding school for middle school and high school students, ages 10 to 18 at enrollment, and post-graduate/foundation year students, ages 18 to 21. Glenholme provides a positive and nurturing atmosphere designed to help students become competent, socially and academically, through a balance of inspirational academic studies and a wide array of extracurricular opportunities. Serving students from around the world for nearly 50 years, the school’s comprehensive learning environment supports the success of young people with high functioning autism spectrum disorders, ADHD, OCD, Tourette, depression, anxiety, and various learning differences.

CURRICULUM

Accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, The Glenholme School provides a comprehensive curriculum for students of all ability levels that results in a high school diploma. College preparatory courses are labeled with course content titles. Courses for students with moderate specialized learning needs are denoted with the term “core,” as in Core Algebra. These courses reflect modifications made to make the course materials and learning more accessible. Courses for students with greater learning needs carry the label “applied,” as in Applied English. These courses provide greater modifications for text complexity, pacing, expectations and teacher assistance.

- **LANGUAGE ARTS** – Four years of English are required. English follows an English I- English IV sequence. Electives in writing are offered for all levels and one credit in writing can be substituted for an English course. A wide variety of additional electives are available through our on-line program with Virtual High School (VHS).
- **MATHEMATICS** – Three years of mathematics and completion of at least Algebra II are required. An independently paced program, students taking college preparatory courses follow the typical Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II sequence. Electives are available in Trigonometry, Pre-Calculus and Calculus. Students with greater learning issues in mathematics may take four years of mathematics in Functional Math, Consumer Math, Life Skills Math and /or Business Math.
- **SOCIAL STUDIES** – Three years of social studies are required. Mandatory courses are US History and World History. Additional offerings in Government, Economics and World History I and World History II are available. A wide variety of additional electives are available through our on-line program with Virtual High School (VHS).
- **SCIENCE** – Two years of science are required. Students take Biology and Earth Science or Physical Science at a minimum. Chemistry is available as an elective. Additional electives are also available to students through our on-line program with Virtual High School (VHS).
- **WORLD LANGUAGES** – Two years of a world language is required. Glenholme provides Spanish as the primary world language offered. Students with strong interest and aptitude for language may choose to meet this requirement by taking Mandarin Chinese or Latin through our on-line program with Virtual High School (VHS). The World Languages requirement may be waived providing the student has been determined to be “language exempt” based on their learning profile in the area of language acquisition.
- **FINE ARTS** – Courses in visual arts and music are provided to meet the one course graduation requirement in the arts. A variety of additional electives are available through our on-line program with Virtual High School (VHS).
- **PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND HEALTH** – PE and Health are required courses for all students.
- **ELECTIVES** – Electives may be taken in content areas, technology, Learning Strategies, and through our on-line program with Virtual High School (VHS).
- **EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONING SKILLS (EFS)** – Elements of EFS are woven into all educational forums. Students are instructed in time management, working memory, the ability to organize tasks and materials, task initiation and follow through, flexibility, emotional control, sustained attention and goal-directed persistence.
- **ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSEWORK** – AP classes may be taken through our on-line program with Virtual High School (VHS) by any student who has shown a strong interest and aptitude after their first semester at Glenholme.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

The minimum number of credits required is currently 22.5, and those credits are earned in grades 9 through 12.

English	4.0 credits	Social Studies	3.0 credits	Health	0.5 credit
Math	3.0 credits	Science	2.0 credits	Art/Music	1.0 credit
World Languages	2.0 credits	Physical Education	2.0 credits	Electives	5.0 - 7.0 credits

- Glenholme will accept course credit from all accredited high schools to be accrued toward graduation requirements. Official transcripts must be provided in order to accept course credit.
- Glenholme does not calculate Grade Point Averages. Students requiring this for college applications are directed to complete an unweighted GPA.
- When public funding is utilized Glenholme will work with each student’s public school to meet all local graduation requirements.