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Since 1843, Miss Porter's School has set the standard for all-girls' education. Sarah Porter conceived of an institution that would allow young women, with the guidance of their teachers inside and outside of the classroom, to think independently, creatively, and critically and to use these skills to make a difference in their communities and the world.

As Miss Porter believed, providing education for girls is the best investment of one's resources—time, energy, emotion, ideas, imagination, creativity, and generosity.

Her vision has defined the education and the campus at Porter's. Action, dynamism, and considered change are the watchwords for the School. The curriculum reflects the classic and the contemporary.

The physical plant meets the expectations and needs of our students and provides the best educational environment possible, with an eye toward the standards originally set by Sarah Porter herself.



Today, the Board of Trustees continues to focus its talents on an essential message of our school: “Miss Porter's School, It's How You Think.” To prepare our girls academically and ethically for the demands of their future, the Board of Trustees has committed to increasing the undesignated funds that act as endowment to ensure that this opportunity for young women is always available.

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girls in action

mind

Rigorous academics are at the core of Miss Porter's School in English, history, the performing and visual arts (including art history), modern and classical languages (including Chinese), the sciences, mathematics, ethical leadership, and computer science.

The science curriculum begins with physics, the basis for understanding all scientific inquiry. All students take chemistry and biology, and most continue studying science for four years, just as most students enroll in the full course of mathematics.

The dynamic computer science program now includes instruction in programming for all students and is updated as students increasingly sophisticated in the use of technology enter the School. An engineering elective for juniors and seniors completes the Porter's offerings in math, science, and technology to provide young women the education needed today to succeed in college and beyond.

Porter's also offers preparation for twenty-four Advanced Placement examinations, including the new Chinese Language and Culture examination. The School is committed to global education through its language curriculum, travel, and study and service in other countries and cultures.

All graduates attend four-year colleges, including the most selective in the nation.

Recent graduates are attending Harvard, Yale, Columbia, Wellesley, Johns Hopkins, Cornell, Dartmouth, and many other fine colleges and universities. Our students are well served by the School's extensive college counseling program, which guides students and their parents through this important process.

This, of course, is the next step of a Porter's education. At the beginning of that education, the admission process brings a highly diverse group of academically gifted girls with artistic talents and athletic prowess to the campus.