

that set us apart...

THE BOSSOV BALLET At Bossov you get the real thing. If you are willing to work, we will make you a dancer. Ballet companies look for dependability, integrity, and character; Bossov dancers graduate with these traits.



ON-CAMPUS BROADCASTING STUDIO Giving students the cutting edge advantage in television, broadcasting, video and web content production.



SENIOR PROJECT MCI's senior project tradition began in 1995 serves as the capstone of an MCI education. The culminating event is a presentation showing mastery of a topic as well as proficiency in planning, writing, researching, and communicating at a professional level.

DYNAMITE DRAMA MCI's drama boasts recent wins in regional and state competitions. Each year the Drama group produces four shows and competes on the highest level, often incorporating the school's Music and Ballet programs as well.



MAGNIFICENT MUSIC Vocal and instrumental music offers award-winning performing ensemble opportunities as well as music theory, songwriting and piano.

ESL Hosting one of the most established ESL programs for boarding schools, MCI has set the standard for international students of all English speaking levels, improving and preparing them for the college placement of their choice.



*Then come to Pittsfield.
In Maine. In New England.*



WHERE ARE WE? In Pittsfield, Maine. Forty miles from Augusta, the state capital. One and one-half hours from Portland, with its fascinating Old Port shopping area and dining. Three and one-half hours from Boston, the world's most exciting college town.



GETTING FROM THERE TO HERE Major airlines serve both Portland and Bangor International Airports. Bus service to Bangor (25 miles) and to Waterville (20 miles) is also available from stops nearby campus.



WELCOME TO PITTSFIELD! Pittsfield is a beautiful, safe New England town whose down-to-earth citizens serve as host families to boarding students as well as avid supporters of MCI's sports teams and cultural events.

SKIING, HIKING AND MORE.

Ski Sugarloaf Mountain or Sunday River. Hike the Appalachian Trail or climb Mt. Katahdin. Go ice fishing or snowmobiling. And then there is the home of L.L. Bean, the nation's most renowned outdoorsporting goods store.



WELCOME to MCI's World

WELCOME TO MCI, a community of teachers and students from across the street and around the world. On this picturesque New England campus, you will cultivate your gifts and talents as you prepare for a life which will tap those gifts and talents. ✦ Along the way, you will be encouraged by our dedicated teachers and staff to push yourself to the limit. Take risks. Try new things. Make new friends. Learn new cultures. ✦ You will address, along with other members of the MCI community, such all-encompassing issues as citizenship, sustainability, and health and wellness. ✦ You will hone the skills essential for success in any career and meaning in any life. These include good thinking, clear writing, and persuasive speaking, to be sure, but also the capacity to work well with others in pursuit of a common goal. ✦ This booklet provides a quick glimpse of our distinguishing hallmarks, but I urge you to take the next step to get to know the real world of MCI. Visit the campus. Talk to our students and teachers. Attend a class. Enjoy a meal, a play, a concert or a sporting event. ✦ I look forward to welcoming you to the MCI family.

Christopher J. Hopkins, *Headmaster*

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IF YOU ARE LOOKING FOR
AN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL WITH...



AN IDYLIC NEW ENGLAND CAMPUS SETTING MCI's campus looks like a New England independent school should. Fall brings the colorful outdoors, winter brings beautiful snow, and spring revives the campus.



AN EXTRAORDINARILY DIVERSE STUDENT BODY The best way to prepare to succeed in a shrinking world is to live and learn at a school which reflects that world.

A PUSH FOR EXCELLENCE

Here you can challenge yourself to a level of critical thinking, which prepares you academically and socially for the stages following your experience at MCI.



A FOCUS ON CHARACTER

MCI prepares students to be responsible citizens of the School, the community, and the environment.



A REAL SENSE OF FAMILY

Here you'll be with real people dealing with real issues in a warm and supportive way.

SOME OF THE THINGS...

GREAT SPORTS MCI's intense athletic programs promote a level of work ethic and a commitment to a team while encouraging our students to stay physically active and be a part of something bigger than themselves.



MANSON ESSAY MCI's 140-year-old Manson Essay requirement, teaches students to be researchers of complex volumes of information, and to use research to defend positions on topics ranging from nuclear arms to the First Amendment rights of rap artists.

EXTRAORDINARY SCIENCE

The magnificent Chuck and Helen Cianchette Math and Science features state-of-the-art equipment and fascinating courses helping you answer the What's and the Why's of everything from weather forecasting to DNA analysis to plant growth.



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT BODY

140 Boarding students representing many countries and US states bring culture and opportunities for unique relationships into the campus environment and the surrounding community.



VOICES
and Views

"We have three supervisors in every dorm, and they cater to the needs of every student. And our host families are **terrific**, having students over for dinner on weekends or inviting them to their homes for Thanksgiving break. I still get Christmas cards from former students who came here years ago!"

ROBERTA MAGUIRE
DIRECTOR OF RESIDENCE LIFE

"Every student can participate in athletics, which is great because team sports instill important values, such as **teamwork** and commitment."

EARL ANDERSON
DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES

"At MCI, I've become much more active, more outgoing, more **independent**. I've learned to express my own opinion, and I've become a leader."

CORAL LU '11
SUZHOU, CHINA

"I like getting to know new people and new cultures, and at MCI there are so many opportunities to **get involved** and meet new people."

ALLY SINCLAIR '12
PITTSFIELD
(PRESIDENT OF THE CLASS, TREASURER OF STUDENT GOVERNMENT, SECRETARY OF THE KEY CLUB, SOFTBALL)

"The Manson Essay program **empowers** students. They often surprise themselves with all they can do."

DEB ROZEBOOM
CHAIR OF HUMANITIES,
DIRECTOR OF MANSON ESSAY CONTEST

"We help students find the right college fit. To that end, we take a **hands-on** approach—reading applications, helping arrange college visits, giving mock interviews. We teach them to become self-advocates."

JASON JUDD
DIRECTOR OF ACADEMICS
AND CAREER PLANNING



ESSENTIAL
Facts

- MCI was founded in 1866 and remains one of the oldest schools in the state of Maine.
- Since the founding, MCI has maintained a traditional day and boarding school education focus.
- Located in an area of Maine where nature and safety define our community.
- MCI takes pride in the several states and countries world-wide represented in the student body every year.
- MCI offers extensive choices for athletic, extracurricular and academic enrichment opportunities.
- A comprehensive educational program is offered which serves students with a wide range of abilities and interests.
- Host of one of the first ESL programs established in Maine.
- State ranked music, drama and performing arts programs for the last 10 years consecutively.



MCI remains a member of the following organizations:

- Maine Association of Independent Schools
- Independent School Association of Northern New England
- The Association of Boarding Schools
- National Association of Independent Schools
- The College Board
- College Scholarship Service
- Council for the Advancement and Support of Education
- Maine Principals Association
- National Association for College Admission Counseling
- Secondary School Admissions Test Board