

What do Tenacity high school students think about...

Boston Arts Academy

Favorite Things

The teachers, the teaching curriculum, and the opportunities the school gives us

Challenges

The students and the hours

Advice for Rising 9th Graders

Focus on yourself, and only worry about your grades and your schedule. Because if you worry about other people and how they are doing in school, you're just going to face more challenges.

Boston Latin Academy

Favorite Things

Opportunities, Diversity, Freedom

Diversity, Academics, Clubs

Challenges

You're given a lot of work. Make sure you stay on top of things if you want to be successful.

Managing time

Advice for Rising 9th Graders

Don't be shy freshman year! The more people you get to know the easier it will be!

Connect with your teachers, especially if you want to make sure your experience is best for you.

Charlestown High School

Favorite Things

The teachers are really helpful, there are lots of programs that can help you in class, and there is a nice community.

Challenges

The school is very large: there are so many stairs you need to walk up to get to class!

Advice for Rising 9th Graders

Don't think highschool work is more difficult than middle school work - it's really not. However if you don't understand something, continue trying and ask for help or stay after school.

City on a Hill Dudley Square

Favorite Things

1. The teachers care 2. There are academic supports in place when you need help. 3. The sports are fun and a good way to meet new people.

Challenges

Sometimes the curriculum can be challenging.

Advice for Rising 9th Graders

Focus on your work and try to get a good grades before anything else.

Community Academy of Science and Health

Favorite Things

I love making friends new friends from all grade levels. Also you are able to choose extracurricular activities, and are generally given more freedom.

Challenges

The amount of homework can be a lot -- especially if you are on a sports team.

Advice for Rising 9th Graders

Study as much as you can freshman year, because when you have to take any test (PSAT) it will really come in handy.

East Boston High School

<i>Favorite Things</i>	<i>Challenges</i>	<i>Advice for Rising 9th Graders</i>
Getting to learn about biology, playing sports, and having the chance to do community service I really like the salad bar, the field trips, and the snack bar.	Some of the other students The hallways get overcrowded between periods and due to recent issues, they only have the second floor bathrooms open now.	Pay attention in class because you will need it going into the rest of the years Do your homework. Try your best to stay in honors level classes. Or at least get into 2 to 3 honor classes. If not, you'll get put into a regular class and you will see how different the work ethic is between honors and regular classes. Don't fall behind in your classes.
The school is close to my house, the teachers are nice, and there is not a lot of homework. I like playing football, learning from the teachers, and taking part in JROTC. 1: field trips 2: The academic help 3: The programs they provide	The school is large -- there's lots of walking between classes. Sometimes the other students can be challenging. There's really not a challenge because the school is fair.	Pay attention in class and stay out of trouble, and you'll be ok. You will be FINE. Just do ALL your work and get ready for the MCAS because you're going to need it to graduate.
Many sports, Very supportive towards the students, Many ways to help get to the college you want to go to or to get a job you really desire. Close by, dismissal time, clubs	The work is mostly it and not because there is a lot but it is very easy, depending on the person you are it will either be lots of procrastination or just a straight forward A+. The lunch	Make sure to do all the work and listen during class because if you put your head down for even a minute, it could affect the level of your class work or homework in the future. Good luck

Edward M.Kennedy Academy For Health Careers

<i>Favorite Things</i>	<i>Challenges</i>	<i>Advice for Rising 9th Graders</i>
Small school, jubilee, opportunities 1)It's focused on the health field 2) You have outside lunch for 11th and 12th grade 3) The school is very small, which means you're given more attention	The 90 minute classes can be tiring I'm taking some AP classes which can get difficult.	Freshman year is the easiest year, so make sure you get the best grades that you can in order to set up your GPA. Try very hard in school to get good grades no matter what.

Fenway High School

Favorite Things

You're able to make connections, the teachers are very supportive, and the school is small.

Being able to be more independent, having lots of different clubs like music club, tutoring, poetry club and much more! The people are awesome too--like friends and faculty members.

Small classes, teachers are helpful, everyone is family, good environment

Challenges

Disruptive Behavior: it happens in high school. For instance, at least one person just swears out loud by accident and disrupts the class or something.

Nothing much, just finishing big projects on time is a little bit difficult because I play sports and don't have a lot of time to complete everything.

Advice for Rising 9th Graders

When choosing your high school, make sure you think about the size of school/class, the location, the after school activities, and what the school offers. Also you must start off in your freshman year really strong. I know it might be hard or confusing at first, because you just entered high school, but you'll get the hang of it.

Do not take any opportunity for granted. Do everything that people offer you because it comes a long way especially on your college essays. Also if you see that you are failing a class or need assurance on home or anything ask your teacher they will do everything in their power to help you. Don't leave it for the end of the term because teachers have other things to worry about.

One piece of advice I would give to the upcoming freshmen is to always come prepared and pay attention in class. Second, don't hesitate in class when you have questions about the topic or the homework assignments because when tests come, you will struggle. Usually what you learn in class will always be on the tests. The best way to get additional support is by staying after school because this has helped over the school years.

Madison Park Technical Vocational High School

Favorite Things

The vocational program, relatively easy work, and easier expectations

The teachers are kind and friendly, the classes aren't difficult, and there are lots of vocational classes.

The teachers are very chill. If you don't get work done, you can always work on it every Wednesday after school or Saturday. The counselors are also very nice. If you have any issues, the counselors are always there to help.

Challenges

The bathrooms and the kids who don't anything

Starting a new year and looking for new classes

Getting work done and on time

Advice for Rising 9th Graders

Don't go to the bathrooms, and get your work done.

Do the best you can because before you know it, high school is over.

Don't make friends with people that do bad things.

Snowden International High School

Favorite Things

1. Open campus 2. Great location 3. World languages

Challenges

Advice for Rising 9th Graders

My advice for an incoming freshman would be that select the high school that would suit you. It's because some students at my school are regretting coming to Snowden.

TechBoston Academy

Favorite Things

Meeting new people, getting taught new things,
Working as a team

Challenges

Staying in a class for two hours with the same teacher
can be tiring

Advice for Rising 9th Graders

You'll face a lot of hard obstacles but having strategies helps a lot. Also, don't give up on things that you get wrong because practice helps you achieve goals and become better at what you get wrong. Also, stay in class no matter what, unless it's an emergency.