



# OUR SCHOOL

## School Profile

With just over 550 students, North Smithfield High School provides a highly personalized learning environment. We believe in multidisciplinary and applied learning. In addition to working with our dedicated teachers, NSHS students get to discover new possibilities, skills, and talents by working with mentors and exploring career and life possibilities through internships.

North Smithfield High School routinely scores among the top schools in English Language Arts, Mathematics, and Science on state assessment exams as well as on the SAT. The US News and World Reports annual "Best High Schools in the US" routinely places North Smithfield High School among the highest-ranked public high schools in Rhode Island.

## Academic Profile

North Smithfield High School is accredited by the New England Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges (NEASAC) and employs 45 faculty members, 2 counselors, 3 administrators, a school nurse, and a school psychologist.

Students in the Class of 2024 must earn 23 credits to graduate. North Smithfield High School utilizes a weighted 4.0 Grade Point Average (GPA) system for class rank while also reporting a traditional unweighted GPA. Special Education, Support classes, Senior Project & Physical Education/Health classes are excluded from these calculations.

The final rank for seniors is computed at the end of the first semester of their senior year. This system places different weights on classes designated as AP, Honors, College Prep, and Fundamentals. Students earn .5 credits per course, each semester. No credit is earned for grades below 65.

North Smithfield High School applicants respond honestly and fully to questions regarding disciplinary incidents. We report discipline out to colleges and universities.

# THE NORTHMEN WAY

## Core Values

The Northmen Way” represents the core values of North Smithfield High School (NSHS). These core values were developed by NSHS students and faculty and are expected of all members of the NSHS community. The core values are...

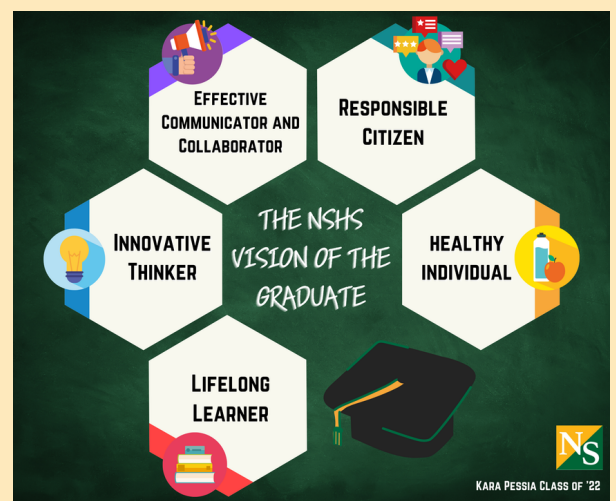
*Respect, Responsibility, Integrity, Perseverance, Self-direction, and Inclusion.*

## Northmen Life

NSHS students have many opportunities to participate in extracurricular activities and athletics. The school offers 25 Varsity sports in 3 seasons while also offering over 30 clubs and activities including the award-winning Band and Choir programs. Close to 50% of NSHS students participate in our music programs.

## Vision of the Graduate

*The North Smithfield High School Vision of the Graduate represents the traits the school community feels are necessary for the future success of our graduates. Graduates will be responsible citizens, effective communicators and collaborators, innovative thinkers, lifelong learners, and healthy individuals.*



# Senior Project

Senior Project is an NSHS Graduation Requirement that affords students the opportunity to gain a rich and authentic learning experience in any field or topic of interest to them.

Senior Project is broken down into the following components:

- at least 15 hours of fieldwork completed under the guidance of a mentor who is an expert in the area of study
- a 6-8 page research paper that links to the fieldwork
- a completed Senior Project Portfolio
- a culminating presentation of the work the student has done

Senior project topics over the years have included student-run non-profit events, academic-based research and discovery, reaching personal goals, and career-focused explorations.

# CTE PROGRAMS

*North Smithfield High School offers 3 CTE Programs in Business & Finance, Music, and Pre-Engineering.*

## Business & Finance

Students will prepare for careers in the Governor's Workforce Board priority sector of Business Management, Administration & Finance, and entry-level careers as an accounting clerk or an entry-level bank employee and is a strong foundation for those intending to pursue further post-secondary education.

## Music

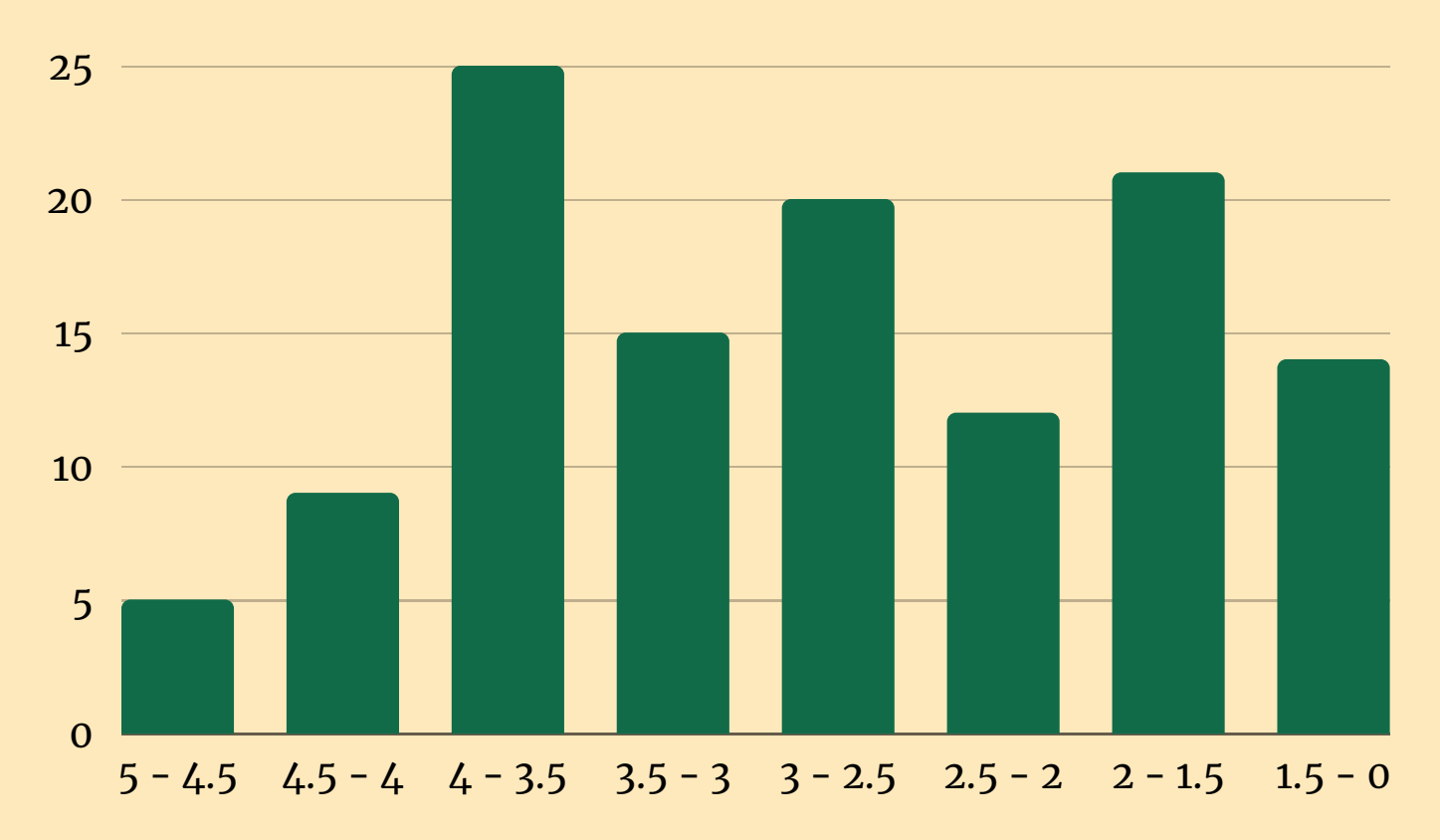
Music Students will be part of a long tradition of excellence here at North Smithfield. Our ensembles have received superior ratings at festivals, 1st place awards, and have performed in renowned performance venues. The Music Program is an integral part of the North Smithfield community and students with all different backgrounds and experience are involved.

## Pre-Engineering

From launching space explorations to delivering safe, clean water to communities, engineers find solutions to pressing problems and turn their ideas into reality. NSHS' Project Lead the Way (PLTW) Pre-Engineering Program empowers students to step into the role of an engineer, adopt a problem-solving mindset, and make the leap from dreamers to doers.

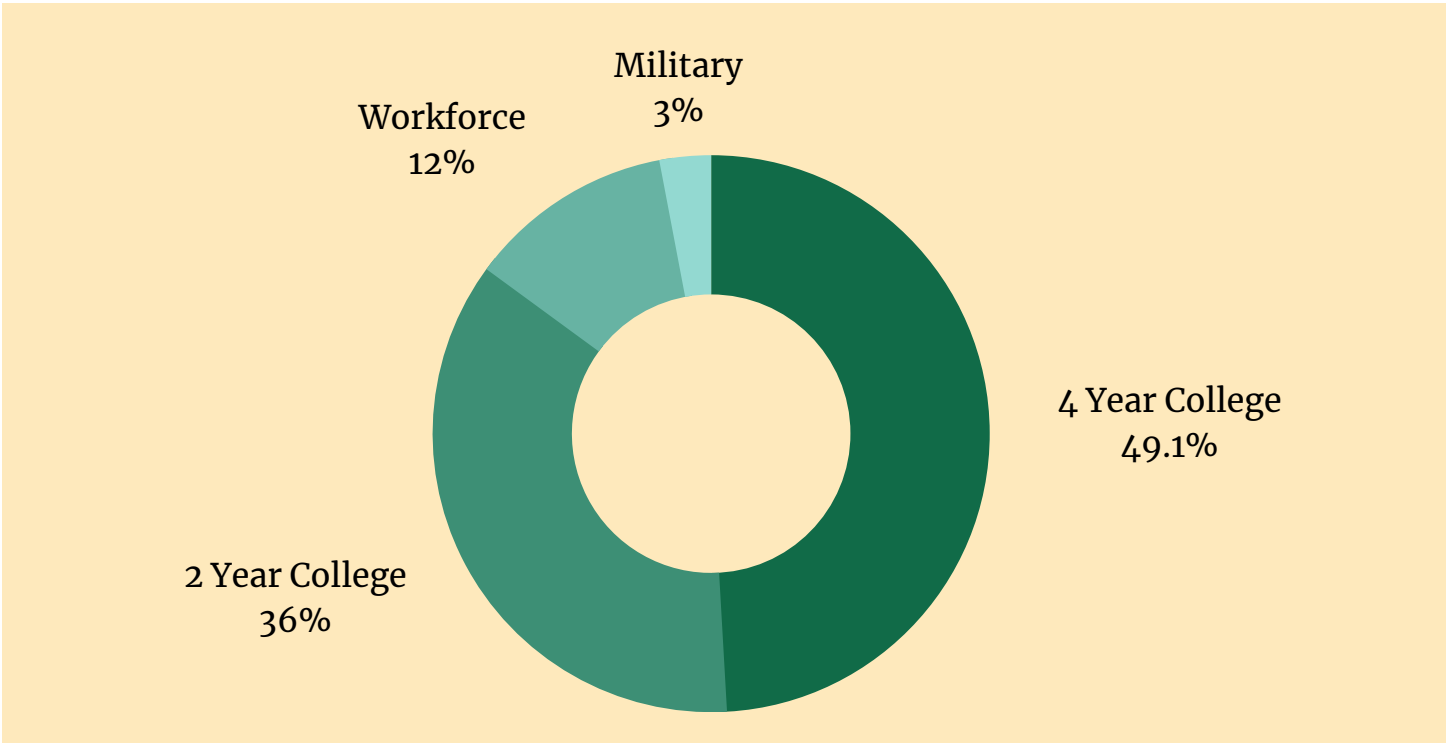
# Class of 2024 GPA

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# Class of 2023 Future Plans

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# ATHLETICS

## Fall Sports

HS Boys Soccer  
HS Girls Soccer  
HS Girls Tennis  
HS Girls Volleyball  
HS Football  
HS Cheer leading  
HS Boys X- Country  
HS Girls X - Country  
HS Unified Volleyball

## Winter Sports

HS Competitive Cheer leading  
HS Boys Hockey  
HS Girls Basketball  
HS Boys Basketball  
HS Girls Indoor Track  
HS Boys Indoor Track

## Spring Sports

HS Boys Tennis  
HS Boys Volleyball  
HS Golf  
HS Boys Baseball  
HS Girls Softball  
HS Boys Lacrosse  
HS Girls Lacrosse  
HS Boys Outdoor Track  
HS Girls Outdoor Track  
HS Unified Basketball

# CONTACT INFORMATION

## *NSHS Administration*

Principal, Dr. Amy Burns PhD  
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[Information for College Admissions Officers](#)

[NSHS College Enrollment Map](#)

Q1 Grades Available by Mid November

S1 Grades Available by Mid February

EOY Grades Available by July 1

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