



OUR SCHOOL

School Profile

With just over 500 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 is only one of very few high schools in the state to achieve the Rhode Island Department of Education's highest "Commended" rating. We routinely score 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 top 5 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 42 faculty members, 2 counselors, 2 administrators, a school nurse, a part-time school psychologist, and a part-time school social worker.

Students in the Class of 2022 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 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. Seniors have the option of selecting Honors credit for Senior English courses. Transcripts will be updated to reflect that decision at the semester and at the end of the year.

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.

THE NORTHMAN 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

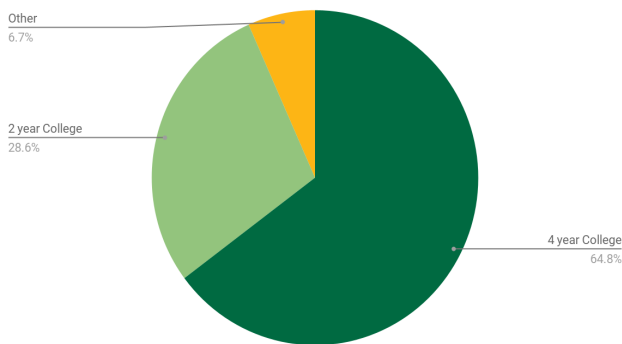
NSHS students have many opportunities to participate in extracurricular activities and athletics. The school offers 25 Varsity sports in 3 seasons while also offering numerous clubs and activities including the award winning Band and Choir programs. Nearly 60% of NSHS students participate in our music programs.

A Note On Covid-19

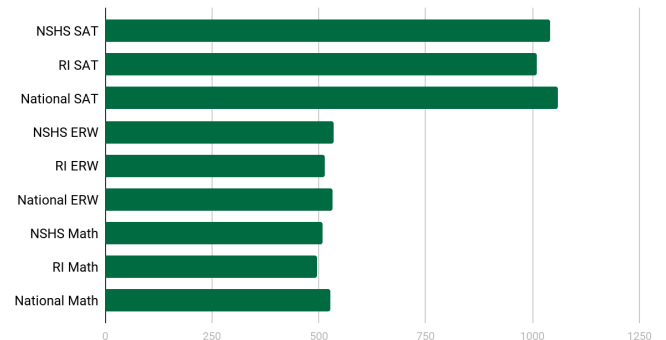
North Smithfield High School is fully open for the 2021-2022 School Year.

In the 2020-2021 School Year, we operated on a hybrid schedule for most of the year with students in school 2-4 days a week, or students choosing to be virtual for the entire school year. We finished the 2019-2020 school year remotely for all students and staff. The North Smithfield School Committee changed the passing grade at NSHS from 70 to a 65 in the winter of the 2020-2021 school year.

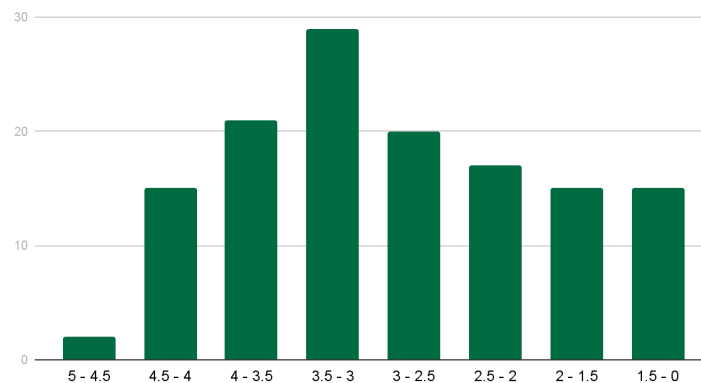
Class of 2021 Future Plans



Class of 2021 SAT



Class of 2021 GPA



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[NSHS College Enrollment Map](#)