

2018 – 2019

SUFFIELD HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE

West Suffield, Connecticut



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THE SCHOOL

Suffield High School is a four-year comprehensive high school offering curricular and co-curricular programs to approximately 825 students in grades 9 – 12. Accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges and the Connecticut State Department of Education, the high school offers an extensive variety of courses to prepare students for a wide range of college and career opportunities. The high school is also the site of a regional Agriscience Center which provides a unique and exciting educational opportunity for our students, as well as students from surrounding towns.

Suffield High School takes pride in its fine record of student achievement and ambitious academic standards. Our graduates continue to be accepted at an impressive variety of competitive institutions of higher education and perform well when they get there! A state-of-the-art facility, which opened in August 2002, offers our students a first class environment in which to grow and learn.

REGIONAL AGRISCIENCE PROGRAM

Education in agriculture is provided to students from ten area towns by cooperative agreement between the Suffield School System, the cooperating school system and the State Department of Education. The Agriscience program is designed to assist in exploring career opportunities in agriscience and agribusiness. Upon graduation students may be prepared for direct job placement or be better prepared for further education. Today's high-tech agriculture includes: biogenetics, agricultural sales, forestry, aquaculture, equine management, veterinary science, and business management, as well as the traditional plant and animal production careers and many more. A modern vocational agriculture facility, funded by the State of Connecticut, includes: four classrooms, a three section greenhouse, a plant laboratory, an animal laboratory and grooming facility, an aquatics laboratory, an agricultural mechanics shop, a food science facility, a leadership training room, and a brand-new large animal facility. A 75 acre forest and nature land laboratory is nearby. A twenty-six passenger bus provides transportation to area agricultural businesses and farms for "hands-on" agricultural experience.

This program is designed to serve the agricultural educational needs of students in grades 9 – 12 from the towns of Suffield, Avon, Canton, East Granby, East Windsor, Enfield, Granby, Hartford, Hartland, Simsbury, Windsor Locks.

THE STAFF

Suffield High School is staffed by a dedicated and caring faculty, administration, and cadre of support services personnel. The school employs 70 faculty members, 4 school counselors, 2 school psychologists, a media specialist, a school nurse, 5 educational assistants, a principal and 2 assistant principals. Faculty members have been recognized among their peers with achievements such as the district's "Teacher of the Year Award."

THE COMMUNITY

The town of Suffield covers an area of 43.1 square miles and is located within commuting distance of Hartford, CT to the south and Springfield, MA to the north. Suffield is a picturesque town with an historic main street leading to diverse residential, commercial, industrial, and agricultural areas. With a population of 13,000, composed largely of professional and junior executive families, Suffield is a most desirable place to live and raise a family.

Core Values & Beliefs About Learning

As a collective learning community, Suffield High School values opportunities to strengthen and develop: **Responsibility, Respect, Creativity, Integrity and Rigor**

The Suffield High School community believes that the potential for student learning is maximized when:

- all members of the community feel safe —
- good character and integrity are promoted —
- creativity and innovation are encouraged —
- effective communication skills are developed —
- collaboration opportunities consistently occur —
- the ability to think critically in order to solve problems is fostered —
- a rich rigorous academic program is provided —
- learning opportunities are active and engaging —
- 21st century skills are taught across the disciplines to help students succeed —
- technology is used appropriately and effectively —

ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES

| | |
|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Biology | Macroeconomics |
| Calculus AB | Microeconomics |
| Calculus BC | Physics I |
| Chemistry | Psychology |
| English Language | Spanish Language |
| English Literature | Spanish Literature |
| Environmental Science | Statistics |
| French Language | US Gov. & Politics |
| | US History |

AP EXAM PARTICIPATION 2018

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|-----------------------|-----|
| Number of Students | 246 |
| Total Grades Reported | 510 |
| Number of Subjects | 17 |

All students enrolled in any AP course at SHS are required to take the AP exam for that course.

AP SCORES: MAY 2018

Of the 246 students who sat for 510 Advanced Placement Examinations, 89% scored a 3 or better.

| Test | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 3 or Better % |
|-----------------------|----|----|----|----|---|---------------|
| Biology | 1 | 8 | 15 | 8 | 6 | 63 |
| Calculus AB | 4 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 87 |
| Calculus BC | 2 | 7 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 100 |
| Chemistry | 0 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 62 |
| English Language | 15 | 19 | 28 | 9 | 0 | 87 |
| English Literature | 1 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 0 | 65 |
| Environmental Science | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 100 |
| French Language | 1 | 1 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 89 |
| Macroeconomics | 6 | 9 | 5 | 5 | 1 | 77 |
| Microeconomics | 3 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 100 |
| Physics I | 1 | 8 | 14 | 7 | 5 | 66 |
| Psychology | 21 | 22 | 8 | 6 | 4 | 84 |
| Spanish Language | 4 | 8 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 95 |
| Spanish Literature | 0 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 67 |
| Statistics | 4 | 11 | 14 | 5 | 4 | 76 |
| US Gov. & Politics | 21 | 15 | 27 | 24 | 2 | 71 |
| US History | 14 | 8 | 16 | 3 | 0 | 93 |

2019 GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

| | |
|----------------------|-------------|
| English | 4.0 credits |
| Math | 4.0 credits |
| Science | 3.0 credits |
| Social Studies | 3.0 credits |
| World Language | 1.0 credits |
| Physical Education | 1.0 credits |
| Life Education | .5 credit |
| Applied Arts | .5 credit |
| Fine Arts | .5 credit |
| Personal Finance | .5 credit |
| Additional Electives | 6.0 credits |

TOTAL CREDITS 24.0

LEVELS OF ACHIEVEMENT

Students may elect and/or be recommended to various levels of courses within the curriculum. Advanced Placement courses are offered in American History, Biology, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Chemistry, Computer Science, English Language, English Literature, French Language, Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, Psychology, Spanish Language, Spanish Literature, and Statistics. Honors courses, designated on the transcript with an (H), are extremely challenging and selective. They are designed to meet the requirements of the traditional college bound population and provide enrichment opportunities. Honors level courses are offered in English, Mathematics, Science, Foreign Language, Social Studies and Vocational Agriculture. Academic level courses designated with an (A) on the transcript provide a good foundation for a college curriculum and are considered college preparatory. Academic courses may also meet the needs of those students entering the world of work directly after high school.

Lab science courses are offered at the Academic and Honors level in Integrated Science, Biology I, Agri-Biology, Chemistry and Physics and at the Advanced Placement level in Biology and Chemistry.

Students can also take advantage of college level courses offered on college campuses, such as Asnuntuck Community College and the University of Hartford.

STUDENT BODY

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|------------------------------------|------------|
| Enrollment as of September 1, 2018 | |
| Class of 2019 | 205 |
| Class of 2020 | 188 |
| Class of 2021 | 203 |
| Class of 2022 | 216 |
| Total: | 812 |

SCHEDULE

A modified block schedule offers instruction for approximately 230 minutes in each full credit course per week. Successful completion of a full year course will yield 1.0 credit toward the student's graduation.

CLASS RANK

The Quality Point Average (QPA) determines a student's class rank. Each grade for each course is averaged at the end of the student's junior year and again at the end of the first semester of the senior year. Most courses given credit and letter grades are included, as recommended by the National Association of Secondary School Principals. Music, CWE, SAE, PE, Literacy, Numeracy, Social Skills, Human Relations, courses taken at the Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts and grades earned through homeschooling are all not included in class rank.

| | Numerical Equivalent | AP | Honors | Academic |
|----|----------------------|-----|--------|----------|
| A+ | 100-97 | 7.3 | 6.3 | 5.3 |
| A | 96-93 | 7.0 | 6.0 | 5.0 |
| A- | 92-90 | 6.7 | 5.7 | 4.7 |
| B+ | 89-87 | 6.3 | 5.3 | 4.3 |
| B | 86-83 | 6.0 | 5.0 | 4.0 |
| B- | 82-80 | 5.7 | 4.7 | 3.7 |
| C+ | 79-77 | 5.3 | 4.3 | 3.3 |
| C | 76-73 | 5.0 | 4.0 | 3.0 |
| C- | 72-70 | 4.7 | 3.7 | 2.7 |
| D+ | 69-67 | 4.3 | 3.3 | 2.3 |
| D | 66-63 | 4.0 | 3.0 | 2.0 |
| D- | 62-60 | 3.7 | 2.7 | 1.7 |
| F | 59 and below | 0 | 0 | 0 |

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

- A College/Career Pathways Program is offered in conjunction with Asnuntuck Community College which allows students to take selected courses for college credit.
- A regional Agriscience Center serves students from several surrounding towns.
- A comprehensive Special Education program providing appropriate educational and/or related services to students with special needs.
- Unified Sports and Theater Programs

SAT SCORES

| Class of: | '18 | '17 | '16 | '15 | '14 |
|------------------------|---------|---------|---------|-------------|------|
| # in graduating class | 187 | 179 | 194 | 204 | 206 |
| # taking SAT | 178 | 171 | 168 | 167 | 175 |
| mean scores: Reading | N/A | 559 | 536 | 529 | 544 |
| mean scores: Math | 564 | N/A | 554 | 539 | 553 |
| mean scores: Writing | N/A | N/A | 529 | 524 | 542 |
| mean scores: EBRW | 574 | | | | |
| Class of: | 2019* | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
| Top 10% of class R/M/W | 714/730 | 680/690 | 660/690 | 647/681/662 | |
| Top 25% of class R/M/W | 672/685 | 660/670 | 640/650 | 609/643/615 | |
| Top 50% of class R/M/W | 621/615 | 630/630 | 610/610 | 572/599/571 | |

* Junior scores only! Increase anticipated after senior test date. Reading and Math scores only due to SAT testing changes.

FUTURE PLANS

| Class of: | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 | 2014 |
|--|------|------|------|------|------|
| % attending 4 year college | 65 | 71 | 70 | 69 | 74 |
| % attending 2 year college | 14 | 17 | 19 | 23 | 19 |
| % attending voc. school/post-graduate year | 5 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| % continuing education | 84 | 89 | 91 | 94 | 94 |

The following list represents the colleges and universities to which Suffield High School graduates have been offered admission in the last two years:

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| Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences | Flagler College | Messiah College | Salve Regina University |
| Albertus Magnus College | University of Florida | Miami University, Oxford (Arts & Sciences) | San Diego State University |
| Albright College | Fordham University | University of Miami | San Francisco State University |
| American International College | Fordham University (College of Business Administration) | University of Miami (College of Arts & Sciences) | San Jose State University |
| Amherst College | Fordham University (Fordham College at Rose Hill) | Michigan State University | Santa Clara University |
| Anna Maria College | Framingham State University | University of Michigan | Savannah College of Art and Design |
| Appalachian State University | Franklin Pierce University | University of Michigan (Literature, Science, & the Art) | Seton Hall University |
| Arcadia University | Furman University | Middlebury College | Siena College |
| Arizona State University | Gannon University | University of Mississippi | Simmons College |
| Arizona State University (Pre-Health Professions) | The George Washington University | Mitchell College | Skidmore College |
| The University of Arizona | Georgia College | Molloy College | Smith College |
| The University of Arizona (Engineering) | University of Georgia | Monmouth University | University of South Carolina |
| The University of Arizona (Pharmacy) | Gordon College | Montclair State University | University of South Florida, Tampa |
| Arkansas Tech University | Green Mountain College | Mount Holyoke College | Southern Connecticut State University |
| Asnuntuck Community College | Hamilton College – NY | Mount Saint Mary College | Southern New Hampshire University |
| Assumption College | Hampshire College | Nazareth College | Southern Vermont College |
| Bay Path University | University of Hartford | New England College | Southern Virginia University |
| Baylor University | University of Hartford (Coll of Ed, Nursing, & Health) | University of New England | Springfield College |
| Baylor University (Nursing) | University of Hartford (College of Engineering) | University of New Hampshire at Durham | Springfield Technical Community College |
| Becker College | University of Hartford (Hartford Art School) | University of New Haven | St. John's University |
| Bentley University | University of Hartford (School of Business) | The College of New Jersey | State College of Florida – Lakewood Ranch |
| Binghamton University | High Point University | New York University | State University of New York at New Paltz |
| Boston College | Hofstra University | University of North Carolina at Greensboro | Stonehill College |
| Boston College (Carroll School of Management) | College of the Holy Cross | University of North Carolina at Wilmington | Stony Brook University |
| Boston College (School of Nursing) | Holy Names University | North Carolina State University | Suffolk University |
| Boston University | Holyoke Community College | North Carolina State University (Engr) | SUNY Albany |
| Boston University (College of Arts and Sciences) | Hunter College of the CUNY | University of North Dakota | SUNY College at Cobleskill |
| Brandeis University | University of Illinois at Chicago | Northeastern University | SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry |
| University of Bridgeport | Indiana University Southeast | Northeastern University (College of Engineering) | SUNY Morrisville State College |
| Bridgewater State University | International Institute of Cosmetology - Plainville | Northern Arizona University | SUNY College at Old Westbury |
| Bryant University | Iona College | Northern Vermont University-Johnson | SUNY Fredonia |
| Butler University | Ithaca College | Northwestern Connecticut Community College | SUNY Plattsburgh |
| California State University, Long Beach | James Madison University | Norwich University | Syracuse University |
| Capital Community College | Jefferson (Philadelphia University + Thomas Jefferson University) | Nova Southeastern University | Syracuse University (College of Engineering & Comp. Science) |
| Castleton University | Johns Hopkins University (School of Engineering) | NYU Shanghai | The University of Tampa |
| The Catholic University of America | Johnson & Wales University (Charlotte) | Pace University, New York City | Temple University |
| Central Connecticut State University | Johnson & Wales University (Providence) | Paul Smith's College | Texas A&M University |
| Champlain College | Keene State College | Pennsylvania State University | Texas State University |
| Chapman University | Keuka College | Pennsylvania State University (College of Ag. Sciences) | The University of Texas, Austin |
| College of Charleston | La Salle University (La Salle University The Honors Program) | Pennsylvania State University (College of Engineering) | The University of Texas, San Antonio |
| Clark University | Lesley University | Pepperdine University | The Culinary Institute of America- NY (Main Campus) |
| Clarkson University | Lesley University (Lesley College) | University of Pittsburgh | The Ohio State University |
| Clemson University | Liberty University | Plymouth State University | The Ohio State University (College of Engineering) |
| Clemson University (Engineering and Science) | Lincoln Technical Institute | Providence College | The Ohio State University (College of Food, Agric., & Env. Sciences) |
| Coastal Carolina University | University of Louisville | Purchase College, SUNY | Trevecca Nazarene University |
| The College of Saint Rose | Loyola Marymount University | Purdue University | Trinity College |
| University of Colorado at Boulder | Lycoming College | Queens University of Charlotte | Tufts University |
| University of Colorado at Boulder | University of Maine at Farmington | Quinnipiac University | Tulane University (University College) |
| Colorado School of Mines | University of Maine at Machias | Regis College | Union College (New York) |
| Concordia University – Montreal | University of Maine | Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute | Unity College |
| Connecticut College | Manchester Community College | Rhode Island College | University at Buffalo The State University of New York |
| University of Connecticut | Manhattan College | University of Rhode Island | University of Lynchburg |
| University of Connecticut (Greater Hartford Campus) | Manhattanville College | University of Richmond | The University of the Arts |
| University of Connecticut at Hartford | Marist College | University of Richmond (School of Arts & Sciences) | Ursinus College |
| Curry College | Marquette University | Rider University | Vermont Technical College |
| Dean College | Maryland Institute College of Art | Robert Morris University (PA) | University of Vermont |
| Delaware College of Art and Design | University of Maryland, Baltimore County | Rochester Institute of Technology | University of Vermont (College of Nursing & Health Sciences) |
| Delaware Valley University | University of Maryland, College Park | Rochester Institute of Technology (Computing and College of Information Sciences) | Villanova University |
| University of Delaware | MCPHS – Massachusetts College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences | University of Rochester | Virginia Tech |
| University of Denver | University of Massachusetts Dartmouth | Rochester Institute of Technology | Virginia Wesleyan University |
| DePaul University | Massachusetts Maritime Academy | Rochester Institute of Technology (Computing and College of Information Sciences) | Wagner College |
| DePauw University | University of Massachusetts, Amherst | Rochester Institute of Technology (Computing and College of Information Sciences) | Wake Forest University |
| Drake University | University of Massachusetts, Amherst (College of Engineering) | Rochester Institute of Technology (Computing and College of Information Sciences) | University of Washington |
| Drew University | University of Massachusetts, Amherst (College of Humanities & Fine Arts) | Rochester Institute of Technology (Computing and College of Information Sciences) | Wellesley College |
| Drexel University | University of Massachusetts, Amherst (College of Information and Computer Sciences) | Rochester Institute of Technology (Computing and College of Information Sciences) | Wentworth Institute of Technology |
| Dutchess Community College | University of Massachusetts, Boston | Rochester Institute of Technology (Computing and College of Information Sciences) | Wesleyan University |
| East Carolina University | University of Massachusetts, Lowell | Rochester Institute of Technology (Computing and College of Information Sciences) | Western Connecticut State University |
| Eastern Connecticut State University | Merrimack College | Rochester Institute of Technology (Computing and College of Information Sciences) | Western New England University |
| Elms College | | Rochester Institute of Technology (Computing and College of Information Sciences) | Westfield State University |
| Elon University | | Rochester Institute of Technology (Computing and College of Information Sciences) | Wheaton College MA |
| Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University – Daytona Beach | | Rochester Institute of Technology (Computing and College of Information Sciences) | Wheelock College |
| Emerson College | | Rochester Institute of Technology (Computing and College of Information Sciences) | Williams College |
| Emmanuel College | | Rochester Institute of Technology (Computing and College of Information Sciences) | Worcester Polytechnic Institute |
| Endicott College | | Rochester Institute of Technology (Computing and College of Information Sciences) | |
| Fairfield University | | Rochester Institute of Technology (Computing and College of Information Sciences) | |
| Fisher College | | Rochester Institute of Technology (Computing and College of Information Sciences) | |