



REGION 12 SCHOOLS



Endless Possibilities

Region 12 Schools

Bridgewater | Roxbury | Washington
Connecticut

DISTINCTION

Twelve things to know about Region 12 Schools

Pre-K

Enriching Early Education
Pre-K REACH Program



Best High School
Shepaug Valley School ranked best in US News & World Report



Top Rated Schools
Overall "A" Grade from Niche 2020 Best Schools

Small class size

Low Student-to-Teacher Ratio



Connecticut Schools of Distinction
awarded to Burnham, Booth Free and Washington Primary Schools

Top 10

Best Teachers
Ranked in Top 10 of 130 Districts in Connecticut



Prepared for the Future Shepaug graduates accepted to top national and international universities



Scholarships
\$100K in local scholarships awarded to the Class of 2020



The Agriscience Academy
opened in Fall 2019



State & National Awards for Excellence in the Arts, Drama and Athletics

20

Accelerated Education
20 Advanced Placement and Early College Experience Courses



Technologically Advanced instruction and work with digital media and computer engineering

Small schools. Big opportunities.

Region 12 Schools **provide challenge and inspiration to students as they strive for their greatest potential surrounded by a warm and vibrant community.** Our schools are located in the picturesque countrysides of Bridgewater, Roxbury, and Washington. We create individualized opportunities that ignite the flame of learning to nurture independent, lifetime learners.

Our students enjoy a variety of choices to enrich their passions and establish their voice to direct their own learning. Our holistic approach allows students to be architects of their educational journey. Students benefit from challenging courses and close family-teacher relationships. Above all else, we value each individual's development and help them thrive.

The multiple extracurricular programs and various experiences **help each student discover their unique interests while promoting personal growth.** Our school campuses are designed to encourage independent learning through contemporary facilities, unlimited choices, and the guidance of supportive staff and community.

"We truly appreciate that the focus of the schools is not placed on academic excellence alone, but also on creating children who are responsive, empathetic, and caring toward one another."

– Parent, Grade 8

STATE-OF-THE-ART FACILITIES

- Spacious, flexible learning environments
- Learning Gardens
- Video Production Studio
- Modern STEM Labs
- Greenhouse
- New Agriscience Center
- Equestrian Riding Rings
- Aquatics
- Sports Fields
- Sensory Rich Learning Environments
- Walking Distance to Community Centers

ENRICHING ACTIVITIES

- Drama Club
- Video Club
- Debate Team
- Mathletes Team
- Model United Nations
- Integrated Community Projects
- Community Service
- Leadership Clubs
- Comprehensive Sports/Intramural Programs
- Elementary Lego Robotics Team

The Formative Years

Students at Region 12 Schools flourish with **small class sizes and supportive communities**. Every teacher and staff member knows every student's name, not just in their class but throughout the whole school, as we create a second home for our children. **Experiential learning and personalized instruction** come together to create confidence and a strong foundation for lifetime learning.

Families have the option for students to attend multi-age classes or traditional K-5 classroom experience. And our REACH early childhood program is designed to meet the learning and social needs of students ages three and four, providing an enriching play-based education.



"We love the small town feel of Booth Free School, which offers an environment where every student is known, seen and valued and can find the assistance they need to excel."

— Parent, Grade 5

Booth Free School

Roxbury (K-5)

Region 12's Booth Free School prides itself on creating a strong culture of collaboration with our local community and deep connections within the school community in **a traditional K-5 learning model**. Our community partnerships have provided students with the opportunity to learn in the classroom as well as on trails and in our gardens. Booth Free School staff provides meaningful learning experiences through a variety of academic and social focuses empowering our students to be successful and productive citizens. Our students engage in **technologically rich lessons that promote divergent thinking**. Cutting edge learning experiences couple with collaborative problem-solving to prepare students for global challenges.



Burnham School

Bridgewater (K-5)

Region 12's Burnham School provides a unique learning environment for its students. Our well-deserved reputation is highlighted by our strong culture of collaboration. Our **multi-aged classrooms** are organized into a primary and intermediate setting. Burnham's highly effective teachers provide rich, personalized instruction allowing students to benefit socially and academically from shared learning experiences. The staff works hard to provide **autonomy, collaboration, support, choice, and challenge that children need** to be successful, kind, and versatile citizens. We are busy creating flexible, safe, fun, and purposeful learning experiences to help our students develop skills.

"The Burnham School offers a community that fosters the whole child. The teachers and staff are adept at creating a school that is entire, and thus supports the growth of every individual."

Themes of kindness and healthy relationships are embodied by the school community. The blended classroom model uses community to support education because leadership and cooperation are integral."

— Parent, Grade 2

Washington Primary School

Washington (K-5)

Region 12's Washington Primary School is a bright and welcoming student-centered **traditional pre-K-5 learning environment**. It is surrounded by a rich culture and a community committed to educational excellence. The staff, students, and parents work cooperatively to provide engaging educational experiences for students that integrate **rigorous academic standards with social learning**, and inspire students to achieve their personal best. Our talented **staff engages learners in relevant and hands-on learning opportunities** that foster mutual respect, responsibility, critical thinking, problem-solving, collaboration, and the exploration of the arts. At Washington Primary School, we enjoy working together, learning together, and building caring friendships with one another.

“Our two children attended the REACH program and are now attending Washington Primary School. To say that this school has exceeded our hopes and expectations is a huge understatement.

This school is like a family, and the teachers and staff there are what make it perfect. We couldn't be happier with WPS and all of Region 12.”

— Parent, Grade 4





Shepaug Valley School

Bridgewater, Roxbury
& Washington (6-12)

Shepaug is the flagship school of our district. Here the students from our three towns converge as middle and high school students. The students benefit from over **20 college-level classes, early college experience** classes, and virtual high school courses. Students thrive in the Shepaug community, guided by our enthusiastic teaching staff and dynamic educational approach.

We are committed to an environment that persistently challenges students. Shepaug **students are inspired to design their futures through outstanding programs** in the arts, theater, robotics, athletics, and leadership clubs. Students with varying interests are supported by our **technologically advanced facilities and The Agriscience Academy** at Shepaug. Students complete their Shepaug experience with a culminating community-based Senior Project, during which they **hone civic leadership and real-world skills to support their success beyond graduation.**

“Shepaug Valley School has given my son and my daughter a warm, kind, and supportive environment. The school community has been a safe and loving place for both my children. The expertise of the entire staff is incredible. Both my children have experienced magnificent teachers!”

They have taken diverse courses that they are interested in and encouraged to pursue their passions. The teachers truly treat the students as their own and believe in and value life long learning. The new facilities are incredible and allow for even more exciting learning opportunities!”

– Parent, Grades 9 and 11

We welcome you to schedule a visit to our schools.

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Shepaug Valley School (860) 868-6218

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