

2021 – 2022

SUFFIELD HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE

West Suffield, Connecticut



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Home of the Wildcats

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THE SCHOOL

Suffield High School is a four-year comprehensive high school offering curricular and co-curricular programs to approximately 780 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 65 faculty members, 4 school counselors, 2 school psychologists, a social worker, 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 | Human Geography |
| Calculus AB | Macroeconomics |
| Calculus BC | Microeconomics |
| Chemistry | Physics I |
| Computer Science A | Psychology |
| Computer Science | Spanish Language |
| Principles | Spanish Literature |
| English Language | Statistics |
| English Literature | US Gov. & Politics |
| French Language | US History |

AP EXAM PARTICIPATION 2021

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|-----------------------|-----|
| Number of Students | 213 |
| Total Scores Reported | 393 |
| Number of Subjects | 18 |

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

AP SCORES: MAY 2021

Of the 213 students who sat for 393 Advanced Placement Examinations, 58% scored a 3 or better.

| Test | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 3 or Better % |
|------------------------|---|----|----|----|----|---------------|
| Biology | 3 | 6 | 5 | 8 | 2 | 58% |
| Calculus AB | 0 | 4 | 2 | 5 | 4 | 40% |
| Calculus BC | 2 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 60% |
| Chemistry | 0 | 4 | 4 | 10 | 3 | 24% |
| Computer Science Prin | 0 | 4 | 7 | 3 | 2 | 69% |
| Drawing | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 100% |
| English Lang & Comp | 2 | 19 | 25 | 18 | 0 | 72% |
| English Lit & Comp | 1 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 67% |
| French Lang & Culture | 0 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 88% |
| Human Geography | 4 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 67% |
| Macroeconomics | 6 | 5 | 2 | 9 | 6 | 46% |
| Microeconomics | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 0 | 82% |
| Physics I | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 33% |
| Psychology | 4 | 6 | 10 | 7 | 13 | 50% |
| Spanish Lang & Culture | 2 | 1 | 9 | 10 | 1 | 52% |
| Statistics | 0 | 3 | 4 | 6 | 16 | 24% |
| US Gov and Politics | 3 | 7 | 19 | 6 | 6 | 71% |
| United States History | 1 | 6 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 72% |

LEVELS OF ACHIEVEMENT

Students may elect and/or be recommended to various levels of courses within the curriculum. College-level Advanced Placement and UCONN ECE courses are designated on the transcript as AP or ECE. 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. 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.

All science courses contain a lab component.

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

2022 GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

In order to graduate and be granted a diploma, students must satisfactorily complete a minimum of 24 credit hours, including not fewer than:

9 Credits in Humanities:

- Four (4) credits in English
- Three (3) credits in Social Studies, including at least one (1) credit in United States/American History and one (1) credit in American Government and Civics
- One (1) credit in Vocational/Fine Arts
- One (1) credit in a Humanities elective

8 Credits in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics

- Four (4) credits in Math – including Algebra I, Geometry, and either Algebra II or Statistics
- Three (3) credits in Science
- One (1) credit in a Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics elective

2 Credits in Career and Life Skills, including not fewer than:

- One (1) credit in Physical Education
- One-half (½) credit in Life Education
- One-half (½) credit in Personal Finance or Economics

1 Credit in World Languages

4 Credits in Additional Electives

CLASS RANK

The Quality Point Average (QPA) determines a student's decile 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.

| Grade | Description | GPA | QPA (Academic) | Honors Added Value | QPA (Honors) | AP/ECE Added Value | QPA (AP/ECE) |
|-------|-------------|-----|----------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------|
| A+ | 96.5–100 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 0.43 | 4.73 | 0.86 | 5.16 |
| A | 92.5–96.4 | 4 | 4 | 0.4 | 4.4 | 0.8 | 4.8 |
| A- | 89.5–92.4 | 3.7 | 3.7 | 0.37 | 4.07 | 0.74 | 4.44 |
| B+ | 86.5–89.4 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 0.33 | 3.63 | 0.66 | 3.96 |
| B | 82.5–86.4 | 3 | 3 | 0.3 | 3.3 | 0.6 | 3.6 |
| B- | 79.5–82.4 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 0.27 | 2.97 | 0.54 | 3.24 |
| C+ | 76.5–79.4 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 0.23 | 2.53 | 0.46 | 2.76 |
| C | 72.5–76.4 | 2 | 2 | 0.2 | 2.2 | 0.4 | 2.4 |
| C- | 69.5–72.4 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 0.17 | 1.87 | 0.34 | 2.04 |
| D+ | 66.5–69.4 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 0.13 | 1.43 | 0.26 | 1.56 |
| D | 62.5–66.4 | 1 | 1 | 0.1 | 1.1 | 0.2 | 1.2 |
| D- | 59.5–62.4 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.07 | 0.77 | 0.14 | 0.84 |
| F | 0–59.4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

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 requirements.

SAT SCORES

| Class of: | '21 | '20 | '19 | '18 | '17 |
|----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-----|
| # in graduating class | 186 | 187 | 206 | 187 | 179 |
| # taking SAT | 135 | 177 | 200 | 178 | 171 |
| mean scores: Math | 550 | 547 | 570 | 564 | N/A |
| mean scores: EBRW | 572 | 567 | 586 | 574 | |
| Class of: | 2022 | 2021 | 2020 | 2019 | |
| Top 10% of class EBRW/Math | 664/668 | 657/640 | 690/692 | 714/730 | |
| Top 25% of class EBRW/Math | 633/633 | 631/622 | 654/646 | 672/685 | |
| Top 50% of class EBRW/Math | 599/586 | 600/595 | 624/602 | 621/615 | |

DECILE RANK

| Class of 2022 | |
|---------------|---------------|
| Decile | QPA* Range |
| 1st | 4.871 – 4.344 |
| 2nd | 4.343 – 4.158 |
| 3rd | 4.152 – 3.830 |
| 4th | 3.820 – 3.613 |
| 5th | 3.604 – 3.349 |
| 6th | 3.342 – 3.103 |
| 7th | 3.093 – 2.822 |
| 8th | 2.820 – 2.483 |
| 9th | 2.476 – 2.001 |
| 10th | 1.961 – 0.354 |

STUDENT BODY

Enrollment as of September 1, 2021

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|---------------|------------|
| Class of 2022 | 210 |
| Class of 2023 | 170 |
| Class of 2024 | 193 |
| Class of 2025 | 170 |
| Total: | 743 |

FUTURE PLANS

| Class of: | 2021 | 2020 | 2019 | 2018 | 2017 |
|--|------|------|------|------|------|
| % attending 4 year college | 63 | 62 | 67 | 65 | 71 |
| % attending 2 year college | 17 | 13 | 19 | 14 | 17 |
| % attending voc. school/post-graduate year | 3 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 1 |
| % continuing education | 83 | 79 | 87 | 84 | 89 |

*QPA as of June 2021; subject to change throughout the 2021 – 2022 school year.

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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| Albertus Magnus College | Elon University | New York University | Trinity College |
| American International College | Emerson College | NHTI-Concord's Community College | Trinity College Dublin |
| American Musical and Dramatic Academy | Emmanuel College | North Carolina State University at Raleigh | Tunxis Community College |
| American University | Endicott College | Northeastern University | Union College |
| Anna Maria College | Fairfield University | Northwestern Connecticut Community College | United States Air Force Academy |
| Appalachian State University | Fisher College | Norwalk Community College | University at Buffalo |
| Arcadia University | Fitchburg State University | Norwich University | University College Dublin |
| Arizona State University – Tempe | Flagler College-St Augustine | Nova Southeastern University | University of Bridgeport |
| Asnuntuck Community College | Florida Atlantic University | Ohio State University – Main Campus | University of California-Berkeley |
| Assumption University | Florida International University | Pennsylvania State University – Main Campus | University of California-Los Angeles |
| Auburn University | Florida Southern College | Plymouth State University | University of Central Florida |
| Bard College | Fordham University | Providence College | University of Colorado Boulder |
| Barry University | Franklin and Marshall College | Purdue University – Main Campus | University of Connecticut |
| Bay Path University | Franklin Pierce University | Quinnipiac University | University of Connecticut – Avery Point |
| Baylor University | George Mason University | Regis College | University of Delaware |
| Becker College | George Washington University | Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute | University of Denver |
| Belmont University | Georgia Institute of Technology – Main Campus | Rivier University | University of Dundee |
| Bentley University | Georgia State University | Rochester Institute of Technology | University of Florida |
| Binghamton University | Global University | Roger Williams University | University of Hartford |
| Bishop's University | Hamilton College | Rutgers University – New Brunswick | University of Houston |
| Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania | Hartwick College | Sacred Heart University | University of Iowa |
| Boston College | High Point University | Saint Anselm College | University of Maine |
| Boston University | Hobart William Smith Colleges | Saint Joseph's College of Maine | University of Maine at Augusta |
| Brandeis University | Hofstra University | Saint Joseph's University | University of Maine at Farmington |
| Bridgewater State University | Holyoke Community College | Saint Leo University | University of Maryland – College Park |
| Brown University | Howard University | Saint Michael's College | University of Massachusetts – Amherst |
| Bryant University | International Institute of Cosmetology - Wethersfield | Salem College | University of Massachusetts – Boston |
| Bryn Mawr College | Iona College | Salem State University | University of Massachusetts – Dartmouth |
| Bucknell University | Jacksonville University | Salve Regina University | University of Massachusetts – Lowell |
| California State University – Northridge | James Madison University | San Francisco State University | University of Miami |
| Capital Community College | Johnson & Wales University – Providence | Sarah Lawrence College | University of Michigan – Ann Arbor |
| Case Western Reserve University | Kansas State University | Seton Hall University | University of Minnesota – Twin Cities |
| Castleton University | Keene State College | Seton Hill University | University of New England |
| Catholic University of America | Keiser University – Flagship Campus, FL | Siena College | University of New Hampshire – Main Campus |
| Central Connecticut State University | King's College | Simmons University | University of New Haven |
| Central Methodist University – College of Liberal Arts and Sciences | La Salle University | Skidmore College | University of New Mexico – Main Campus |
| Champlain College | Lasell University | Smith College | University of North Carolina Wilmington |
| Clark University | Lehigh University | Southeastern University | University of North Texas |
| Clarkson University | Liberty University | Southern Connecticut State University | University of Pittsburgh – Pittsburgh Campus |
| Clemson University | Loyola Marymount University | Southern Methodist University | University of Rhode Island |
| Coastal Carolina University | Loyola University Chicago | Southern New Hampshire University | University of Rochester |
| Colby College | Maine Maritime Academy | Springfield College | University of Saint Joseph |
| Colby-Sawyer College | Manchester Community College | Springfield Technical Community College | University of Scranton |
| Colgate University | Manhattan College | St. Andrews University | University of South Carolina – Columbia |
| College of Charleston | Marist College | St. John's University – New York | University of Southern Maine |
| College of Mount Saint Vincent | Marymount Manhattan College | Stetson University | University of Vermont |
| College of the Holy Cross | Massachusetts College of Art and Design | Stonehill College | University of Washington – Seattle Campus |
| Concordia University – Montreal | Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences | Stony Brook University | University of Wyoming |
| Connecticut Aero Tech School | McGill University | Suffolk University | Utica College |
| Connecticut College | Meredith College | SUNY at Albany | Vermont Technical College |
| Cornell University | Merrimack College | SUNY College of Agriculture and Technology at Cobleskill | Villanova University |
| Culinary Institute of America | Miami University-Oxford | SUNY Cortland | Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University |
| CUNY City College | Michigan State University | SUNY Morrisville | Wake Forest University |
| CUNY Hunter College | Middle Tennessee State University | Susquehanna University | Wentworth Institute of Technology |
| CUNY John Jay College of Criminal Justice | Mississippi State University | Syracuse University | Wesleyan University |
| Curry College | Mitchell College | Temple University | Western Connecticut State University |
| Dalhousie University | Mitchell Community College | The College of New Jersey | Western New England University |
| Dean College | Montclair State University | The College of Saint Rose | Westfield State University |
| Delaware Valley University | Montreat College | The Sage Colleges | Westminster College – UT |
| Drexel University | Mount Holyoke College | The University of Alabama | Wheaton College |
| East Carolina University | Nazareth College | The University of Arizona | Worcester Polytechnic Institute |
| East Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania | New England College | The University of Tampa | Worcester State University |
| Eastern Connecticut State University | New England Institute of Technology | The University of Tennessee – Knoxville | York College |
| Eastern University | New York Institute of Technology | The University of Texas at Austin | |
| Elms College (College of our Lady of the Elms) | | Three Rivers Community College | |