

Nonnewaug High School

2023-2024 School Profile



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**College Board Code:
070970**

Accreditation: Nonnewaug High School is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges.

Nonnewaug High School enrolls 653 students in grades 9-12.

- Support service staff includes a social worker, school nurse, school psychologist, and paraprofessionals.
- Nonnewaug's primary purpose is to provide all students with access to a challenging program of studies. This program is designed to create a balance, impart a body of knowledge and provide the skills needed for lifelong learning.
- While Nonnewaug emphasizes the intellectual growth of students, it also stresses physical, emotional, social, ethical and aesthetic development. In addition, it seeks to instill in its students an awareness of their civic opportunities and responsibilities in a democratic society.

Mission statement: The Nonnewaug High School community believes that all students have the right and responsibility to achieve their full potential. To that end, we strive to provide students with the knowledge, skills and understandings needed to become lifelong learners and productive, compassionate citizens of the 21st century.

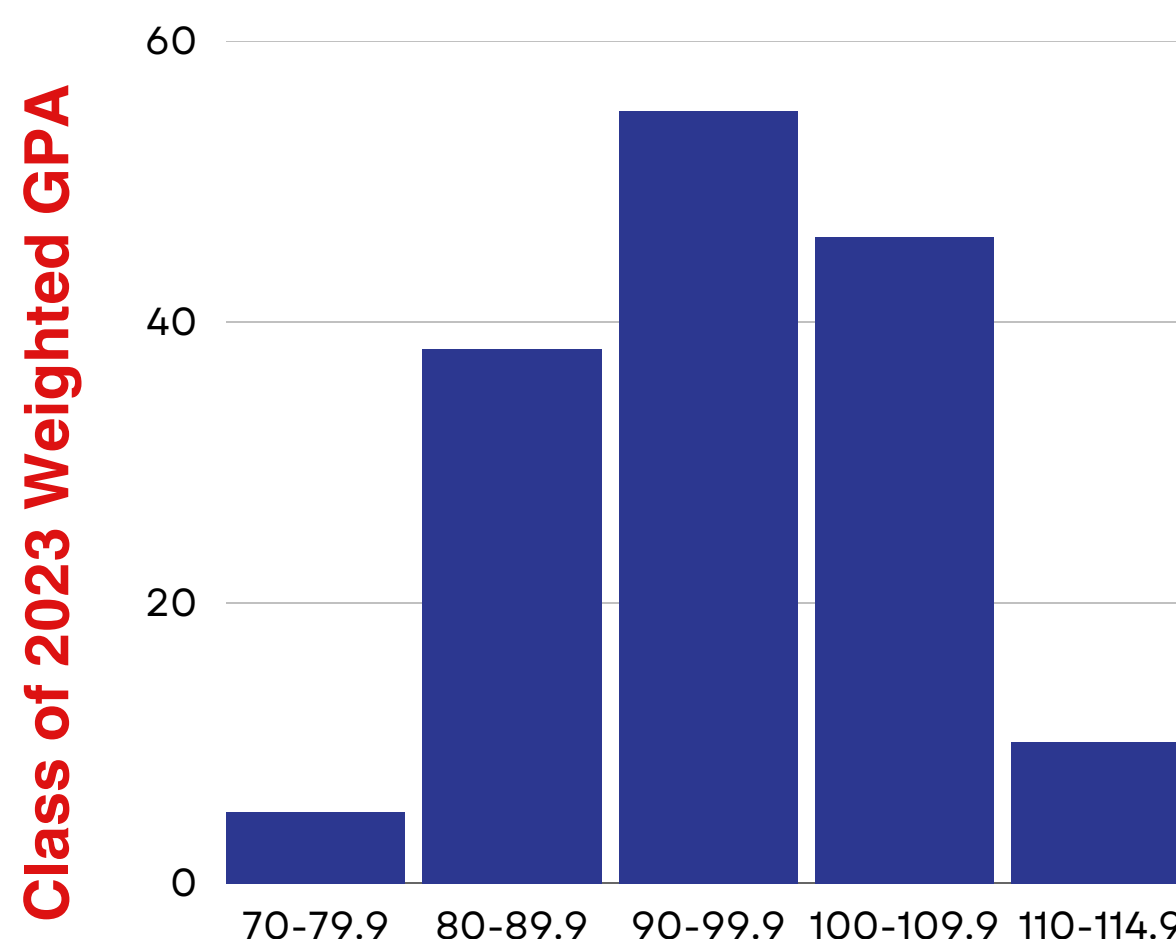
The Community:

- Nonnewaug High School is a regional public high school serving the towns of Woodbury and Bethlehem.
- Nonnewaug also includes an award-winning Agriscience Program that serves many surrounding towns.
- Woodbury and Bethlehem are small rural/suburban communities in Litchfield County, Connecticut located approximately 45 miles west of Hartford and within a two-hour drive of New York City.
- The local population is comprised of a high percentage of professionals who maintain a keen interest in the quality of the educational system.

Grading & GPA

Nonnewaug High School utilizes numerical grades from 1-100. The lowest passing grade is a 60. The year is organized by a semester system and final grades on transcripts are cumulative and denote the level of instruction of the course. Final grades are weighted according to rigor to determine class standing by decile ranking.

<u>Level</u>	<u>Weight</u>
AP/ECE	1.25
Honors	1.17
College Prep	1.09



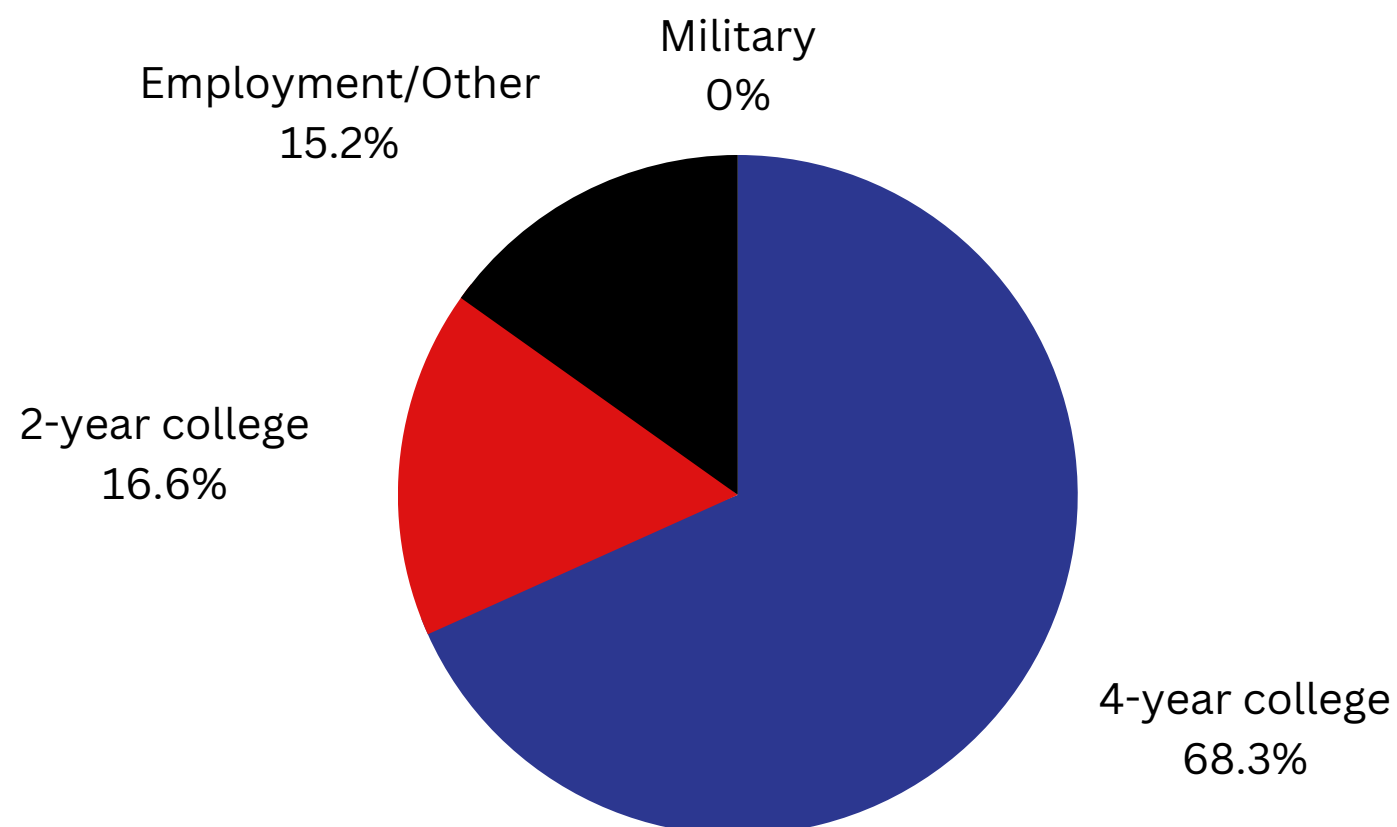
NHS Class of 2023 Outcomes 161 Graduates

SAT Results

Mean: 1008
EBRW: 513
Math: 495

Post-secondary Plans

85% Entering post-secondary education
68% 4-Year College
17% 2-Year College / Trade School



The Nonnewaug Experience

Nonnewaug High School provides opportunities beyond the classroom for students to engage, explore and excel.

- Highlighting our student's commitment to extend their learning beyond the classroom we offer academic **honor societies** in Math, English, Social Studies, Science, French, Art and Music.
- The **Arts Department** allows students to explore their creativity through a number of school and community events. NHS students earned 5 Silver and 15 Gold Keys, 1 Gold and 2 Silver Portfolios for the CT Scholastic 2023 Art Awards. Additionally, 2 Silver and 1 Gold Medal were earned in the National Scholastic 2023 Art Awards. In 2023 every AP Art student earned a 5.
- The **Performing Arts Department** participates in over 40 school and community performances and events each year. The Performing Arts Department is comprised of our Music and our Theater Programs. The Music Program offers five different musical ensembles during and after school. The Theater Program produces a Fall play and Spring Musical each year and earned 1 Halo Award and 12 nominations in 2023.
- Through the **Agri- Science Department**, forty-five percent of our students maintain a 200 hour work experience (SAE) component as part of their educational requirements. Many of these students compete at the regional, state and national levels through FFA.
- Our **Business Department** offers chapters of both FBLA and DECA as well as partnerships with local and state universities. Students are offered the opportunity to network and compete at the state and national level.
- **Athletics** at NHS maintains a winning tradition and was honored with the prestigious Ted Alex award the past two years. This award is given to a Berkshire League school with the highest win percentage combined with sportsmanship scores. Nonnewaug won 6 Berkshire League titles in 2022-2023 and the football co-op team won the CTC Conference. Nonnewaug also won the 2023 Class M Baseball State Championship.
- Our **Robotics Team**, Team Beta, made it to the state finals in 2023.
- All students are required to complete a **Mastery Based Learning Experience** and project for graduation. This independent learning experience fosters personal growth and advances the academic skills of our learners in this ever-changing global community.

2024 GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

English 4.0 credits
Mathematics 3.0 credits
Social Studies 2.5 credits
Science 3.0 credits
World Language 1.0 credit
Physical Education 1.0 credit
Health 1.0 credit
Fine/Applied Arts 1.0 credit
Humanities Elective .5 credit
STEM Elective 3.0 credits
Mastery Based Learning Experience 1.0 credit
Total required credits 25.0
Volunteer Hours: 18

ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES

Drawing
2-D Art and Design
3-D Art and Design
Biology
Calculus AB/BC
Capstone Research
Capstone Seminar
Chemistry
Computer Science A
Computer Science Principles
English Language & Composition
English Literature & Composition
European History
Environmental Science
French Language and Culture
Physics 1
Psychology
Spanish Language & Culture
Statistics
US Government and Politics
US History

AP CAPSTONE DIPLOMA SCHOOL

54 AP Scholars recognized in 2023
33% of students take an AP course
AP courses are open enrollment

COLLEGE ARTICULATION

POST UNIVERSITY HS ACADEMY

Accounting
Marketing

UCONN EARLY COLLEGE EXPERIENCE

Elementary Concepts of Statistics
Environmental Science
Floral Art
General Physics I
Horse Science
Intermediate Spanish Composition
Principles of Microeconomics
Principles of Macroeconomics
Seminar and Studio in Writing and Multimodal Composition
Spanish Conversation: Cultural Topics