



South Medford High School

School Profile 2026-2027

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DEMOGRAPHICS

SMHS is located in Medford, Oregon, one of the largest cities in the state. SMHS is one of three comprehensive high schools in the Medford School District and services the southern part of the city. Students come from a wide range of cultural and economic backgrounds reaching out as far as Jacksonville and the Applegate Valley.

SMHS Student Enrollment 1,935 Students		Ethnicity (multiple selections possible)	
Medford School District	13,424	Hispanic	660
Class of 2027	479	Two or More	102
Special Education	14%	Asian	11
Talented and Gifted	9%	Black/African American	15
English Language Learner	7%	American Indian/Alaskan Native	16
McKinney-Vento	3%	Pacific Islander/Native Hawaiian	4
		White	1104

VISION, PRINCIPLES AND STUDENT OUTCOMES

South Medford High School strives to be a learning community where students challenge themselves and set high expectations through the PANTHER PRACTICE: the belief that each and every day students can succeed if they work hard and collaborate with each other. Our practice is guided by the shared principles of care, support, joy and pride. All graduates from SMHS have demonstrated they are successful learners, mindful of others, high level thinkers, and have a sense of purpose.

RECOGNITION

- Accredited in 2026 by COGNIA
- AP School Honor Roll Bronze Award Recognition 2024, 2025
- AP Access Award Recognition 2024
- Ranked #32 in Oregon from US News and World Report 2026 School Rankings

SCHOOL ORGANIZATION AND COURSE OFFERINGS

South Medford operates on a quarterly system with students receiving .25 units of credit each marking period. Students take 7 classes on a rotating A,B,C schedule with 70 minute class periods. Seniors have the option of a reduced day to 6 classes if they are on track to graduate.

Required Courses (# of credits)		
Language Arts (4)	Science(3)	Social Science (3)
Mathematics (Algebra 1 & higher) (3)	Health Education (1)	Foreign Language/Fine Arts/Career Technical (3)
	Physical Education (1)	Electives (6)

Honors/AP Courses

French 3 & 4
Spanish 3, 4 & 5
Heritage Spanish 3 & 4
Pre AP English 1
Pre AP English 2
Biology Honors/Pre-AP
Chemistry 1 Honors/Pre-AP
Human Anatomy/Physiology
Astronomy
Geometry Honors
Probability & Stats Honors

Algebra 2 Honors
Pre-Calculus
Pre-Calculus Honors
AP Biology
AP Chemistry
AP Environmental Sci.
AP Physics
AP Calculus AB
AP Calculus BC
AP Statistics
AP Human Geography

AP Psychology
AP U.S. History
AP U.S. Government
AP World History
AP Language & Comp.
AP Literature & Comp.
AP Studio Art
AP Spanish Lang/Culture
AP Spanish Literature

GPA is calculated using a 4.0 scale. The GPA that is reported to colleges is weighted if students have taken honors or AP courses. SMHS uses the weighted GPA to determine First in Class Ranking and unweighted to calculate those students who are Valedictorians. SMHS does rank its students and it is reflected on the transcript.

CTE/Performing Arts Courses

Concert Band
Jazz Ensemble
Wind Ensemble
Beginning Guitar
Concert Orchestra
Chamber Orchestra
Mixed Chorus
Treble Choir
Tenor-Bass Ensemble
Concert Choir

Chamber Choir
World Music
Theater Arts 1
Theater Advanced
Creative Art 1 - 2
Ceramics 1 - 2
Business 1 - 4
Culinary Arts 1 - 4
Automotive Service 1 - 4
Automotive Advanced

Health Careers 1 - 2
Welding 1 - 4
Fabrication 1 - 4
Construction Tech 1 - 6
Engineering Essentials
Engineering Design/Intro
Engineering Principles
Fire Science

ACADEMIC COMPETENCE

SAT	SMHS	State	National	AP TESTS	Students	Exams	Scored 3+
Math	563	559	557	2020	372	507	284
Critical Reading	573	563	559	2021	255	339	116
Total	1135	1122	1116	2022	349	496	289
				2023	425	582	287
				2024	494	730	296
				2025	524	830	527
				2026	531	835	552

Graduation Rate

	4yr SMHS	5yr SMHS	4yr Oregon
2020	89.5%	92.0%	82.3%
2021	86.5%	93.0%	80.6%
2022	90.0%	92.0%	81.3%
2023	88.8%	xxxx%	81.3%
2024	90.7%	91.3%	81.0%
2025	89.5%	92.0%	83.0%
2026	86.9%	92.0%	83.0%

Post-Secondary Enrollment

Students enrolled the fall after graduation

Total	81%
4 year	45%
2 year	31%
Trade Technical School	4%
Military	1%

COLLEGE MATRICULATION**Colleges Selected for Attendance by the Class of 2026**

Arizona State University	Montana State University	Universidad de Sevilla
Bishops University	Northwestern University	Universidad Nebrija
Boise State University	NW Beauty College	University of California, Santa Barbara
Brigham Young University	Occidental College	University of Central Florida
Brigham Young University - Idaho	Oregon Institute of Technology	University of Idaho
California State University, Fullerton	Oregon State University	University of Iowa
Cedarville University	Pacific Bible College	University of Nevada
Central Oregon Community College	Pacific Northwest College of Art	University of New Haven
Chapman University	Pacific University	University of Oregon
College of the Siskiyous	Pepperdine University	University of Phoenix
Colorado School of Mines	Pitt Community College	University of Texas
Florida Atlantic University	Portland State University	University of Utah
George Fox University	Reed College	US Air Force Academy
Georgia Institute of Technology	Rogue Community College	Vassar College
Grand Canyon University	Sacramento State University	Warner Pacific
Idaho State University	Smith College	Washington State University
La Sierra University	Southern Oregon University	Western Oregon University
Lane Community College	Southern Virginia University	Willamette University
Lewis-Clark College	Southwestern Community College	Wyotech
Linfield University	Texas Christian University	
Metro State University	UC Santa Barbara	
Missouri Valley College	Universal Technical Institute	