

NANSEMOND-SUFFOLK ACADEMY

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SCHOOL PROFILE 2026 - 2027

THE SCHOOL AND ACCREDITATION

Located on two campuses in Suffolk, VA, within the heart of the Hampton Roads region, Nansemond-Suffolk Academy (NSA) serves approximately 900 students from southeastern Virginia and northeastern North Carolina. NSA is a co-educational, independent, college preparatory day school for students in Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 12. Admission is selective, and students reflect a wide range of socioeconomic backgrounds. At NSA, we inspire a passion for learning in a supportive, innovative and student-centered community that develops each individual for lifelong success. Nansemond-Suffolk Academy is accredited by the Virginia Association of Independent Schools.

HONOR CODE

As a responsible member of the student body of Nansemond-Suffolk Academy, I realize that everything I do must be above reproach. I will be honest with myself and with others. I will refrain from all acts of cheating, lying and stealing, and I will not tolerate those acts from others. I will actively encourage my fellow students to follow the highest standards of integrity.

ACADEMIC YEAR

Each semester is approximately 82 days. As of 2024-2025 NSA is on a modified block schedule. Most AP and some elective courses meet year long every-other day, while other classes are semester-long. A standard load is seven credits. A maximum of eight credits may be earned in a regular school year.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Due to the shift to a block schedule, graduation requirements have changed based on class year. Successful completion of a course earns one credit. Minimum subject requirements are listed below; however, most students elect to pursue additional coursework in areas of interest.

Class of	Mathematics	English	History/Social Sciences	Lab Sciences	World Language	Fine Arts	Health/ PE	Total Credits
2027	4 credits	4 credits	4 credits	4 credits	3 credits	1 credit	N/A	25
2028	4 credits	4 credits	4 credits	4 credits	3 credits	1 credit	1 credit	26

GRADING SYSTEM AND GRADE WEIGHTING POLICY

Only academic courses are computed in the student's GPA. Students may not earn a grade greater than 100, therefore the unweighted 100 point GPA cannot be greater than 100. GPA is reported on an unweighted and weighted 4-point scale. Courses labeled as AP or Honors are weighted. Advanced Placement courses carry the weight of .5 and Honors courses, .25 on a 4-point scale.

Numerical Grade	97-100	93-96	90-92	87-89	83-86	80-82	77-79	73-76	70-72	67-69	63-66	60-62	0-59
Letter Equivalent	A+	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D+	D	D-	F
GPA	4.3	4.0	3.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	2.3	2.0	1.7	1.3	1.0	0.7	0.0

ADVANCED PLACEMENT POLICY

AP enrollment is determined by a student's course load, prerequisites and recommendations. Students are discouraged from taking more than three per year, and most APs are not available until Junior/Senior years. Students enrolled in an AP course must sit for the exam.

DISCIPLINARY REPORTING POLICY

NSA will, when asked to disclose such information on an admissions application, report to colleges and universities any major honor or disciplinary infractions that took place during grades 9-12, including, but not limited to, those that result in suspensions and dismissals.

Nansemond-Suffolk Academy does not rank students for the purpose of college admission.

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ENROLLMENT

Pre-K-Grade 12:

- % diversity: 26%
- % on financial aid: 50%

Grades 9-12: 288

- 67 seniors
- 65 juniors

UPPER SCHOOL FACULTY

Upper School faculty totals: 28

- 46% hold advanced degrees
- 10:1 student-faculty ratio

MISSION STATEMENT

At Nansemond-Suffolk Academy, students are engaged in personal growth, inspired to discover their passion and empowered to make a difference in the world.

CURRICULUM

All courses are college preparatory. Honors and AP courses are selective. Selection for these courses is based upon past academic performance and teacher recommendation. Courses are taught based on enrollment.

KEY

CP = College Preparatory
H = Honors
AP = Advanced Placement
^ Not offered 2026-2027
* Graded Pass/Fail

ENGLISH

English 9	CP		
English 10	CP	H	
English 11	CP	H	
English 12	CP	H	
English Language and Composition			AP
English Literature and Composition			AP
Public Speaking	CP		
Survey of Literature*	CP		
Creative Writing	CP		

HISTORY/SOCIAL SCIENCES

American Military History	CP		
Entrepreneurship	CP		
European History			AP
Holocaust and Genocide Studies	CP		
Principles of Economics	CP		
Sports and Society	CP		
U.S. History	CP	H	AP
Ancient World History	CP		
Modern World History	CP		
U.S. Government and Politics	CP	H	AP

ADDITIONAL COURSES

9th Grade Health and PE
Introduction to Hospitality and Tourism Management
Strength Training*
Study Skills*

LAB SCIENCES

Anatomy & Physiology	CP		
Modern Biology	CP		
Biology		H	AP
Chemistry	CP	H	AP
Computer Science A			AP
Environmental Science	CP		AP
Design Thinking and Innovation I and II	CP^		
Advanced Design Thinking and Innovation	CP		
Physics	CP		
Physics 1			AP
Physics C			AP
Sports Medicine	CP		

PROJECT LEAD THE WAY (PLTW) LAB SCIENCES

Principles of Biomedical Science	CP		
Human Body Systems	CP		
Introduction to Engineering	CP		
Principles of Engineering	CP		

Project Lead the Way's science courses allow students to engage in compelling, hands-on activities to tackle real-world problems.

MATHEMATICS

Algebra I	CP		
Geometry	CP	H	
Algebra II	CP		
Algebra II/Trig	CP	H	
Algebra III/Trig	CP		
Precalculus	CP	H	
Calculus		H	
Calculus AB			AP
Calculus BC			AP
Multivariable Calculus		H	
Statistics with College Math Prep	CP		
Statistics			AP

WORLD LANGUAGE

French I-III	CP		
French IV-V		H	
French Language and Culture			AP
Latin I-III	CP		
Latin IV-V		H	
Latin: Vergil			AP^
Spanish I-III	CP		
Spanish IV-V		H	
Spanish Language and Culture			AP

FINE ARTS

Art I-II	CP		
Advanced Art	CP		
Advanced Art II	CP		
Digital Art	CP		
Art and Design			AP
Band	CP		
Fiber Arts	CP		
Intermediate Choral Music	CP		
Introduction to Photojournalism	CP		
Advanced Choral Music	CP		
Photography	CP		
Stage Crafts and Theatre Arts	CP		
Yearbook Production	CP		

INTERNSHIPS

Athletic Office* (12)
Business and Marketing* (12)
Early Childhood Education* (12)
Innovation Lab (11, 12)*
Philanthropic Studies and Business* (12)
Technology* (11, 12)

Internships are credit-bearing pass/fail courses that provide the opportunity for upperclassmen to engage in experiential learning in a specific area of interest.

CONSTELLATION LEARNING

Constellation Learning is a collective of independent schools around the world that offers online courses taught by independent school faculty. Courses provide comparable rigor to on-campus classes while broadening the breadth of available courses. Additional tuition is required for students who enroll in one of these courses. Any course listed on a student's transcript that does not appear on this page has been taken via Constellation.



COLLEGES OFFERING ADMISSION TO THE CLASSES OF 2023-2026

Allegheny College	Greensboro College	Regent University	University of Montana
American University	Hampden-Sydney College	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	University of North Carolina
Anna Maria College (Closing)	Hampton University	Richard Bland College	at Chapel Hill
Appalachian State University	Henderson State University	Roanoke College	University of North Carolina
Arcadia University	High Point University	Robert Morris University	at Charlotte
Arizona State University	Hobart and William Smith Colleges	Rochester Institute of Technology	University of North Carolina
Auburn University	Hollins University	Rollins College	at Greensboro
Austin Peay State University	Indiana University (Bloomington)	Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology	University of North Carolina
Averett University	James Madison University	Rutgers University	at Wilmington
Babson College	Johnson & Wales University (Charlotte)	SUNY Maritime College	University of Pittsburgh
Barry University	Johnson & Wales University	Salisbury University	University of Richmond
Barton College	Lafayette College	Savannah College of Art and Design	University of Rochester
Batten University	Lehigh University	School of the Art Institute of Chicago	University of South Carolina (Aiken)
Belmont Abbey College	Lenoir-Rhyne University	Seton Hall University	University of South Carolina (Beaufort)
Belmont University	Liberty University	Sewanee: University of the South	University of South Carolina
Bentley University	Longwood University	Shenandoah University	University of South Florida
Berry College	Louisiana State University	Skidmore College	University of Southern California
Boston College	Loyola University Maryland	Smith College	University of Tampa
Boston University	Loyola University New Orleans	Southern New Hampshire University	University of Tennessee
Bridgewater College	Marist University	St. Mary's College of Maryland	University of Utah
Bucknell University	Mary Baldwin University	St. Olaf College	University of Virginia's College at Wise
Campbell University	Maryland Institute College of Art	Stetson University	University of Virginia
Chowan University	Marymount University	Stony Brook University	University of Wisconsin
Christopher Newport University	Massachusetts Maritime Academy	Sweet Briar College	Utah State University
Clemson University	McPherson College	Syracuse University	Villanova University
Coastal Carolina University	Meredith College	Temple University	Virginia Commonwealth University
College of Charleston	Methodist University	Temple University, Japan Campus	Virginia Military Institute
College of Southern Maryland	Miami University	Texas Christian University	Virginia State University
Colorado School of Mines	Midwestern State University	The Catholic University of America	Virginia Tech
Coppin State University	Mississippi State University	The Citadel	Virginia Union University
Culinary Institute of America	Missouri State University	The Ohio State University	Wake Forest University
Delaware State University	Monmouth University	Tidewater Community College	Waynesburg University
Dickinson College	Morgan State University	Towson University	Webber International University
Drew University	Mount Allison University	Tulane University	West Virginia University
Drexel University	Muhlenberg College	University of Alabama (Birmingham)	Western Carolina University
East Carolina University	Murray State University	University of Alabama	Westminster University
Eastern Mennonite University	New York Institute of Technology	University of Alaska Fairbanks	William & Mary
Eckerd College	Norfolk State University	University of Arizona	Wingate University
Elizabeth City State University	North Carolina A&T State University	University of Arkansas	Wofford College
Elizabethtown College	North Carolina Central University	University of California (Davis)	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Elmira College	North Carolina State University	University of California (San Diego)	
Elon University	North Carolina Wesleyan University	University of Central Florida	
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (Daytona Beach)	Northeastern University	University of Delaware	
Emory & Henry University	Oklahoma City University	University of Florida	
Eureka College	Old Dominion University	University of Georgia	
Ferrum College	Paul D. Camp Community College	University of Hawaii (Manoa)	
Florida Atlantic University	Paul Smith's College	University of Kentucky	
Florida Gulf Coast University	Penn State University (Abington)	University of Louisiana (Monroe)	
Florida Institute of Technology	Penn State University (Altoona)	University of Louisville	
Florida Southern College	Penn State University (Harrisburg)	University of Lynchburg	
Florida State University	Penn State University (Hazleton)	University of Maine	
Fordham University	Penn State University	University of Mary Washington	
Franklin and Marshall College	Point Park University	University of Maryland	
Frostburg State University	Presbyterian College	University of Maryland Eastern Shore	
Furman University	Queens University of Charlotte	University of Massachusetts (Boston)	
George Mason University	Quinnipiac University	University of Miami	
Georgia Southern University	Radford University	University of Michigan	
Georgia Tech	Randolph College	University of Minnesota	
	Randolph-Macon College	University of Mississippi	