MISSION

The mission of Smithfield High School is to provide a comprehensive, challenging and diverse learning environment, which will enable our graduates to succeed in a 21st century global community.

THE SCHOOL & COMMUNITY

Smithfield High School is a four year public high school serving the suburban town of Smithfield located five miles west of Providence, Rhode Island. Although primarily a residential community of 21,430 (2010 census), Smithfield is home to Fidelity Investments, the nation’s largest mutual fund company, a division of Alexion Pharmaceuticals, Navigant Credit Union, Uvex Corporation, FGX International, and many other large and small companies. Smithfield is home to Bryant University, a top business school. http://smithfieldri.com/about-smithfield

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

Designed to motivate and challenge our students, the academic programs at Smithfield High School are driven by equity and the highest possible learning expectations for all students. Advanced Placement courses are offered in English, world languages, science, social studies and computer science. A dual enrollment program (EEP), established in conjunction with Rhode Island College, Bryant University, and the University of Rhode Island, is also in place. Teachers of these courses must hold a minimum of a master’s degree in the subject being taught. Students have the opportunity to attend the Community College of Rhode Island through the Running Start or the High School Enrichment Programs, as well as the Johnson & Wales University’s ACCESS program. These programs offer concurrent credit options. In addition to their high school diploma, students may earn certificates through the Academy of Finance, the Early Childhood Education Academy and the Engineering Technology Academy.

Highlights include:

• A policy of open enrollment encourages students to take challenging courses. The four levels available to students are college preparatory (CP), honors (H), dual enrollment (EEP) and advanced placement (AP). Civics, English 9 and the first three years of each world language are only offered at the CP level.

• Students take a minimum of four English and mathematics courses, and three social studies and science courses.

• Sixteen dual enrollment courses are offered to students in grades eleven and twelve. Advanced Placement courses in Spanish, French, Literature and Composition, Biology, United States Government and Politics, and Computer Science are available to eleventh and twelfth graders.

• Online courses are available to students and reflect the same high academic standards of our other courses.

• All students create graduation portfolios and present before a panel of judges from the community.

• Students must complete a minimum of 30 hours of community service.
All students at Smithfield High School create and maintain individual learning plans in which academic, career and personal social goals are regularly set and reflected upon. Students are encouraged to choose courses based on their career goals. Every effort is made to accommodate the individual goals of students through our open enrollment policy, online courses, and our highly successful academies.

**Academies**

- **Academy of Finance** is a nationally sponsored rigorous academic program focusing on business and finance. Students thrive upon the benefits of career education, a personalized environment, smaller classes, and a focus on 21st Century Skills and applied learning, while concentrating their effort on a business curriculum. They earn college credit through three dual enrollment courses, take a 3 credit course at Bryant University, and participate in a paid 100-150 hour internship. The students are also involved in and exposed to industry field trips, guest speakers, networking events, mentoring opportunities, leadership roles, and fundraising events.

- **Engineering Technology Academy** is designed to provide students with comprehensive career experience in the design and engineering fields. Clear career pathways are laid out through the progression of four classes. Field trips, guest speakers, and college representatives expose students to multiple career options. The program has articulation agreements with New England Institute of Technology, and a dual enrollment arrangement with Rhode Island College. Students can receive OSHA certification and SP2 safety rating. Upon completion of the course work, students receive an Engineering and Technology Program certificate from Smithfield High School in addition to their high school diploma.

- **Early Childhood Education Academy** provides a robust curriculum which supports current industry needs. Upon completion, students are awarded college credit at CCRI, Department of Education Rhode Island Early Learning Development Standard certification, First Aid and CPR certification, American Red Cross babysitting certification, Teacher Assistant Training, intern and externship opportunities and credentials leading to post-secondary education and employment opportunities upon graduation. Certificates of Achievement include Rhode Island Early Learning Development Standards Certification, Early Childhood Education Academy Certificate, Teacher Assistant Training Program, and a CCRI Articulation Agreement allowing 3 HMNS credits and acceptance with advanced standing.

**SNAPSHOT OF THE CLASS OF 2014**

- 204 Students
- 68% accepted to a four-year college
- 20% accepted to a two-year school
- 8% accepted to a technical school, career training, employment
- 4% enlisted in military

- 84% successfully completed at least one dual enrollment course
- 21% successfully completed at least one AP course
- 98% completed community service requirement
- 98% completed portfolio
- 13% qualify for free/reduced lunch
- 6% special education
DUAL ENROLLMENT COURSES

Smithfield High School has a successful, twenty year history of offering dual enrollment courses in partnership with Rhode Island College, the University of Rhode Island, and Bryant University. In fact, Smithfield High School has one of the highest dual enrollment courses in the state of Rhode Island. Dual enrollment courses include:

- Architectural Design EEP
- Calculus Honors EEP
- Chemistry II Honors EEP
- Construction EEP
- Financial Accounting EEP
- French IV EEP
- French V EEP/AP
- Introduction to Psychology EEP

ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES

The Smithfield School Committee is committed to growing the Advanced Placement Program, providing funding to add one AP course per year. Current courses include:

- AP Computer Science
- Biology AP
- Spanish V
- AP Literature and Composition
- French V
- US Government & Politics AP

HONORS COURSES

- Algebra II Honors
- American History Honors
- Biology I Honors
- Biology II Honors
- Chemistry I Honors
- Child Care II Honors
- English 10 Honors
- English 11 Honors
- English 12 Honors
- Geometry Honors
- Literature and Drama
- Mechanical Design/CADD
- Physical Science Honors
- Physics I Honors
- Pre-Calculus Honors

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Athletics:
- Baseball, Basketball (w,m), Cheerleading, Cross Country (w,m), Field Hockey, Football, Golf (co-ed), Hockey (w,m), Indoor Track (w,m), Lacrosse (w,m), Soccer (w,m), Softball, Swimming (w,m), Tennis (w,m), Track (w,m), Wrestling

Activities:

SAT MEAN SCORES

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GRADING SYSTEM

Ranking
- A = 90-100
- B = 80-89
- C = 70-79
- D = 65-69
- F = 0-64

Criteria for School Honor Roll
- High Honors GPA of 90 or greater; no grade below 85; 80 or greater in physical education
- Honors GPA of 85 or greater; no grade below 80
- Rank in class is computed by averaging the grades in all subjects, except physical education, literacy and numeracy, and rank ordering those averages. Semester courses are assigned half the full year value. A dual weighted and unweighted system is used. All courses weigh equally with the exception of Honors, EEP, and AP courses which receive a 1.08 value.