

2016-2017 SWAMPSCOTT HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE

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COMMUNITY

The town of Swampscott is a coastal community located twelve miles north of Boston with an approximate population of 14, 000. This suburb is home to professionals and families who, as a community, are vitally invested in academic excellence, social consciousness, and a globally focused public school education. The school district has an approximate combined enrollment of 2,300, which includes 136 students (in grades 7-12) from the neighboring town of Nahant. There are three elementary schools, one middle school, and Swampscott High School. The high school enrollment for the academic year 2015-2016 is 706.

SCHOOL

Enrollment 2016-2017: 705 (187 ranked seniors)

Enrollment 2015-2016: 706 (159 ranked seniors)

CLASS of 2015 FUTURE PLANS

Size of graduating class: 159

Percentage continuing education	95%
Four-Year college	83%
Two-year college	10%
Post-Grad or Career Ed	2%
Military	1%
Employed	3 %
Other	1%

ACCREDITATION

Swampscott High School is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges and approved by the Massachusetts State Department of Education.

GLOBAL COMPETENCY PROGRAM

The SHS Global Competency Certificate (GCC) is designed to develop and encourage students' interest and activism as citizens of a global community. Students who earn this certificate will have completed additional world language, extracurricular, international exchange, and community service requirements throughout four years of high school.

METCO

Swampscott Public Schools participate in the Metropolitan Council for Educational Opportunities, a voluntary program which brings students of color from Boston to 32 suburban high schools. In the 2016-2017 school year, Swampscott will celebrate its 52nd year with 58 students in the district, 29 at the high school level.

STEM

The Class of 2017 has approximately fifteen students who successfully completed a STEM Academy program. Swampscott School District's vision is to prepare every student to communicate and compete as global thinkers through science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. The district 's STEM Initiative is providing students, teachers, and the Swampscott community opportunities for enrichment in STEM across all disciplines. This initiative is implementing STEM projects, community partnerships, internships, guest speakers, science fairs and community-wide events. Additionally, students can elect to participate in a **STEM certificate program** that allows students to explore college and career avenues in STEM. The program includes additional academic requirements, two rigorous independent research projects, and a capstone community –focused project and portfolio presentation. o

HONORS COURSES

English I, II Honors

Geometry Honors Algebra II Honors

Pre-Calculus Honors

Calculus Honors

World History I and II Honors

American Studies Honors (co-taught English and US

History double-blocked course)

Pre-AP Biology Honors

Pre-AP Chemistry I Honors

Pre-AP Physics Honors

Advanced Anatomy and Physiology Honors Technology/Engineering Design Honors

Spanish II, III, IV Honors French II, III, IV Honors

Physics of Robotics I, II Honors

Health and Media Literacy Honors

VHS Honors Courses

STEM Honors Courses-STEM Academy only

AP COURSES

AP English Lit/Comp

AP English Lang/Comp

AP US History

AP Euro

AP Psych

AP Microeconomics

AP Macroeconomics

AP Statistics

AP Calculus AB

AP Biology

AP Chemistry

AP Physics B

AP Environmental Science

AP Spanish

AP French

AP Art History

AP Music Theory

VHS AP Courses

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students must earn 120 credits, enroll in 30 credits of coursework each year, and fulfill minimum course distribution requirements. By graduation, a student must complete the following requirements in each department.

English: 4.5 years including

Expository Writing

Math: 3 years

Lab Science: 3 years
Social Studies: 3 years
World Language: 2 years
Fine Art/Career Tech: 2 years
Computer Applications: 1 semester

Wellness and PE: 2+ years

GRADE POINT AVERAGE & RANK IN CLASS

The weighted system adds a factor of ten-percent (10%) to grades received in courses designated on the transcript as Honors (H) or Advanced Placement (AP). All other courses are equal and receive no weighting factor, but are included in the calculation of Grade Point Average and Rank in Class.

GRADE EQUIVALENTS

A+: 97-99	A: 93-96	A-: 90-92
B+: 87-89	B: 83-86	B-: 80-82
C+: 77-79	C: 73-76	C-: 70-72
D+: 67-69	D: 63-66	D-: 60-62

STANDARDIZED TESTS

SAT SCORES (March, May, June)

MEAN SCORES

EBRW: 581 Mathematics: 590

Total Test Takers: 151

Update with June scores, 151 is right

includes June numbers

AP SCORES 2015-201

232 tested, 18 subjects

<u>Score</u>	# Tested	<u>%</u>
5	45	19%
4	67	29%
3	61	26%
2	38	16%
1	21	9%

SAT SUBJECT TEST SCORES 2014-2015

	#Tested	Mean
Bio-E	4	
Biology-M	29	596
Chemistry	17	585
French	3	
Literature	15	615
Math- Level 2	21	646
Math-Level 1	32	635
Physics	6	635
Spanish	1	
US History	23	642
World History	2	

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP QUALIFYING TEST

In the past five years, Swampscott High School has had 5 semifinalists and over 20 commended students in the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.

2016 COLLEGE MATRICULATIONS

Adelphi University American University Arizona State University

Bard College
Barnard College
Becker College
Belmont University
Bentley University
Boston College
Boston University

Bridgewater State University

Brown University Bryant University Bucknell University

Buffalo State College of SUNY

Cardiff University

Case Western Reserve University

Castleton University Champlain College

Claremont McKenna College

Clark University Clemson University Coastal Carolina University

Colby College
Colby-Sawyer College
Colgate University
College of Charleston
College of Charleston
Columbia College Chicago

Cornell University Curry College Dickinson College Drew University

Drexel University

Eastern Connecticut State University

Eastern Nazarene College

Eckerd College Elon University

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

Emerson College Emmanuel College Emory University Endicott College Fairfield University Fisher College

Fitchburg State University Florida International University

Florida Southern College Fordham University Framingham State University Franklin Pierce University

Gannon University George Mason University

Gordon College Green Mountain College Hampton University High Point University Hofstra University Jacksonville University
James Madison University
Johnson & Wales University

Keene State College Kingston University Lafayette College Lasell College Lesley University

Louisiana State University Loyola University New Orleans

Lyndon State College Lynn University

MCPHS

Merrimack College Miami University, Oxford Michigan State University New England College New York University

North Shore Community College

Northeastern University Pace University, New York City Pennsylvania State University Plymouth State University

PrattMWP
Providence College
Purdue University
Quinnipiac University

Regis College

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Rhode Island School of Design

Richmond The American International College

in London Rivier University

Rochester Institute of Technology

Roger Williams University

Rollins College

Sacred Heart University Saint Anselm College Saint Michael's College Salem State University Salve Regina University

Savannah College of Art and Design School of the Art Institute of Chicago

School of Visual Arts Seton Hall University Simmons College

Southern New Hampshire University

Southern Vermont College Springfield College SUNY Albany Stetson University Stonehill College Stony Brook University Suffolk University

Syracuse University
Temple University
The College of Saint Rose

The George Washington University

The University of Georgia The University of Tampa

Tufts University Tulane University Union College SUNY Buffalo

University of Colorado at Boulder

University of Connecticut University of Delaware University of Denver University of Denver University of Hartford University of Hartford University of Kentucky University of Maine University of Maryland UMASS Amherst UMASS Boston UMASS Dartmouth UMASS Lowell

University of Missouri Columbia
University of New England
University of New Hampshire
University of New Haven
University of North Carolina
University of Oregon
University of Rhode Island
University of Rochester
University of Sheffield
University of South Carolina
University of Southern Maine

University of Wisconsin, Madison

Utica College

Wake Forest University
Washington State University
Wentworth Institute of Technology

West Virginia University

University of Vermont

Western New England University Westfield State University

Wheaton College Wheelock College

Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Worcester State University

Narrative Mission Statement

Swampscott High School is a community of adult and student learners who work together to succeed in a diverse and evolving global society by promoting academic and personal excellence within an inclusive, safe, and supportive environment.

Core Values "IMAGINE"

Individuality:

- Accept responsibility for, and consequences of their behavior and actions
- Enable all students to discover their passion
- Demonstrate respect for themselves and others

Mutual respect amongst all community members:

- Demonstrate physical, emotional, intellectual, and social excellence
- Engage in collaboration and teamwork
- Act courteously and with dignity
- Recognize and celebrate difference and diversity
- Act responsibly with the interests of the larger community in mind

Acquire essential 21st century knowledge and skills:

- Participate in relevant and rigorous academics
- Solve problems using analytical and critical thinking
- Understand and practice a balanced and healthy lifestyle through informed decision making
- Demonstrate creativity in expression and innovation
- Use a variety of technology and informational resources to gather and synthesize data
- Demonstrate ability to work collaboratively and independently
- Communicate expectations of students' academics and behavior clearly and consistently
- Develop reasonable assessments which will be graded and returned in a timely manner

Genuine:

Demonstrate honesty and integrity

Involvement (high school, local, and global communities):

- Participate in community service experience
- Develop awareness of local, national, and international issues
- Serve the community and society actively through volunteerism

Navigate the many risks and complexities of modern life:

- Recognize the roles of individuals and groups in a global context
- Demonstrate media literacy
- Understand the value of experience as a powerful learning medium
- Demonstrate emotional and social stability as a result of having received adequate support and guidance; understand how to manage stress, and maintain mental and physical health

Expressive: speaks, writes and communicates:

Demonstrate the ability to communicate effectively through multiple forms of expression