New Bedford High School is a comprehensive public high school, serving nearly 3,000 students in grades 9-12.

With a deep commitment among students, families, staff, and the community, the school has launched a profound transformation focused on excellence.

Points of Pride

- Full accreditation from the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC)
- Innovative academic pathways and Career Vocational Technical Education programs, offering students a wide range of experiences in challenging coursework, hands-on learning, internships, and community service
- More than 20 college-level Advanced Placement (AP) courses
- Early College partnerships with UMass Dartmouth and Bristol Community College
- State-of-the-art facility, including health sciences lab, finance lab, robotics lab, television studio, planetarium, makerspace, athletic fields, pool, and weight room
- Competitive Division 3 athletics teams in 15 sports
- Award-winning Performing Arts program
- Longest continuously operating JROTC program, established in 1881

Four-Year Graduation Rate

From 2010 to 2020, New Bedford High School’s adjusted four-year cohort graduation rate soared to 90%, a dramatic increase of nearly 30 percentage points.

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Something for Every Student

NBHS offers a broad array of courses, academic pathways, and specialized programs to engage all students in rigorous learning and prepare them for success after high school.

Students work closely with highly qualified faculty and administrators to design a course of study that aligns with their interests, skills, and college and career goals.

ACADEMIC PATHWAYS 2023-24

**Academy of Honors**
Qualifying scholars participate in a sequence of advanced courses that will prepare them for application to the finest colleges, universities, and post-secondary programs.

**Advanced Placement**
NBHS offers 20 college-level Advanced Placement (AP) courses developed by the College Board across a range of disciplines, and earn college credit through qualifying exams.

**Career Vocational Technical Education**
Students gain hands-on learning experience and earn certification in career and technical fields: Business Technology, Radio & Television Broadcasting, and Early Childhood Education.

**Early College**
Students take college classes with professors at Bristol Community College and UMass Dartmouth, earning college credits and experiencing campus life while in high school.

**International Baccalaureate**
NBHS has applied to offer an International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Programme, where students engage in rigorous courses, independent research, and community service.

**Magnet Academy of Civic Leadership & World Studies**
This new accelerated pathway fosters leadership skills through courses, community service, travel, and internships, preparing students to address the local and global challenges of tomorrow.

**National Academy Foundation (NAF)**
Students can choose among career-themed academies in Engineering, Finance, Health Sciences, Hospitality & Tourism, and Information Technology.

**Visual and Performing Arts**
Students immerse in visual art, music, theatre, and dance, and demonstrate their talents through concert and marching bands, choir, dance and theater productions, and exhibits.