



## Points of Pride

### Elementary School

- Academic achievement:
  - 60 % of K-3 students in eight of our schools and 50% in two of our schools scored at/above Proficient in reading
  - 50% of Grade 3-4 students scored at/above proficient in English/language arts
  - 42% of Grade 3-4 students scored at/above proficient in math
- Two SPS elementary school Odyssey of the Mind teams advanced to World Finals
- Roxbury Elementary School Awarded 1003(a) School Improvement Grant
- Toquam Elementary Student Honored as one of the brightest young students in the world by Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth

### Middle School

- Academic achievement:
  - ✓ Honors classes reflect the diversity of our student population
  - ✓ Qualified middle school students can earn high school credit by taking Algebra in grade 7 and Honors Geometry in grade 8
  - ✓ 49% of Grade 6-8 students scored at/above proficient in English/language arts
  - ✓ 40% in Grade 6-8 students scored at/above proficient in math
  - ✓ In core courses, 70% or more of Grade 8 students in College Prep classes and more than 90% in Honors classes received an A, B, or C
- Cloonan Middle School is a six-time *College for Every Student (CFES) National School of Distinction Awardee*
- Two middle school students were selected to perform with the *Fairfield County Strings Festival*
- Scofield Magnet Middle School certified by Connecticut Association of Schools for *Exemplary Teaming Practices*
- Cloonan Middle School teacher named, *White House Champion of Change for Computer Science Education*
- Dolan Middle School received a \$5,000 grant from James Patterson and Scholastic Reading Club
- Scofield Magnet Middle School teacher named *2016 Linblad Expeditions and National Geographic Grosvenor Teacher Fellow*
- Three SPS middle school Odyssey of the Mind teams advanced to World Finals
- Seven middle school students selected to perform in the CMEA Western Region Festival

### High School

- Academic achievement:
  - ✓ The percentage of students taking AP courses increased from 41% in 2010 to 50% in 2016
  - ✓ Number of students taking AP exams increased from just over 670 in 2010 to 975 in 2016
  - ✓ AITE ranked number one magnet high school in the State of Connecticut by *Niche Rankings*
  - ✓ Stamford and Westhill high schools ranked Top-10 of Connecticut public high schools on *The Washington Post* list of "America's Most Challenging Schools"
  - ✓ AITE ranked Top-20 School in Connecticut by *U.S. News and World Reports*
  - ✓ High school graduation rate increased from 83% for the Class of 2010 to 88% for the Class of 2016:
    - 6 point gain for Hispanic students from 81% to 87%
    - 2 point gain for Black students from 79% to 81%
- Three SPS U.S. Presidential Scholar nominees
- One SPS student was named *National Merit Finalist* in 2016
- The National Merit Scholarship Corporation named 16 SPS seniors as *Commended Students*
- One SPS high school Odyssey of the Mind teams advanced to World Finals
- Stamford High School earned a Gold Medal by the Columbia Scholastic Press Association for *The Round Table* online student newspaper, for the third year
- Westhill High School earned a Silver Crown Award by the Columbia Scholastic Press Association for *The Westword*, student newspaper
- Ten high school students selected to perform in the CMEA Western Region Festival
- Four Ivy League schools will have SPS graduates as freshmen in 2017