

# Saint John's High School Prepares Students for College and Life



Making the choice to attend Saint John's High School in Shrewsbury, MA, is much more than a four-year commitment; it is a life decision. After all, school alumni say Saint John's shaped who they became – men of faith and service, with a commitment to excellence. While the college-preparatory Catholic school is well known for its strong academic programs, the supportive atmosphere challenges young men to develop qualities that will serve them all their lives.

"Saint John's has a long tradition of producing young men with strong values," says Michael Welch, Headmaster. "Parents are pleased we teach the same positive values they try to instill in their sons at home."

Respect and appreciation for individual differences and for those who comprise the larger community is an important part of the growth process of a Saint John's student. As a Xaverian Brothers Sponsored School, Saint John's community has a strong commitment to reaching out to those in need. Through local service experiences and global encounter programs, students learn firsthand about giving to society through work



experiences in downtown Worcester, rural Appalachia, upstate New York and South Dakota.

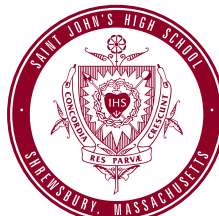


## Educating the Whole Person

Every year at Saint John's, 98 percent of the senior class continues their education at the college level, with approximately 85 percent of the school's seniors receiving acceptance into one of the top two colleges of their choice. Saint John's alumni have gone on to become leaders in the fields of medicine, law, business, education and in their own communities.

Recognizing that every student has a different level of ability and motivation, Saint John's educational programs are designed to fit the potential of every student. For exceptionally talented and motivated students, Advanced Placement (AP) courses provide the valuable opportunity to earn college credits while still enrolled at Saint John's. **In 2005, the school administered 701 AP examinations, covering 17 different subjects, making it one of New England's top AP schools.**

Well within reach of the majority of towns in Central Massachusetts and Metrowest Boston, Saint John's has sought to instill in its students a love of learning and a need to help others for more than 100 years. "Our goal is to help students get accepted to the colleges of their choice and to leave better prepared to serve others," says Mr. Welch. "We do this by emphasizing strong academics coupled with strong values."



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