

# LAW AND SOCIETY

**Course Offerings/credit**

Minimum 3 courses

<i>Forensic Science</i>	1
<i>Criminal Justice</i>	1
<i>Sociology</i>	1
<i>We the People</i>	1
<i>Psychology</i>	1
<i>Legal Finance</i>	1
<i>Cyber Security</i>	1

**Career options**

- Law Enforcement
- Counter Terrorism
- Computer Forensics
- Homeland Security
- Criminology
- Forensic Science
- Lawyer
- Social Work

**Learning Opportunities**

- DECA
- Mock Trial
- NS Prevention Task Force
- Robotics Club
- State House Visit
- ACI Field Trip
- SADD
- Friends of Rachel Club

## PATHWAY DESCRIPTION

Students choosing to follow this pathway will be exposed to a variety of courses related to law and justice.

Investigation of the functions of law and systems of regulations will anchor the student's academic pathway. Students will explore constitutional principles that are the foundation of the judicial branch. They will also be exposed to the institutions of government that dictate social behaviors. Students will explore the constitutional protections in place for those accused of a crime. Students will delve into topics rang-

ing from individual behaviors, government actions to deter crime, as well as the processes used to investigate and punish crimes.

Students will also examine efforts for rehabilitation. Study in this

pathway will be enhanced through experiential learning and frequent access to community resources.



## PATHWAY REQUIREMENTS

Students interested in pursuing a pathway in this area should meet with their guidance counselor to select the best sequence of courses that will satisfy the North Smithfield High School graduation requirements and at the same time, meet the criteria

to receive a seal of concentration in Criminal Justice. Students will also develop an Criminal Justice related focus which will culminate in field experience for the required senior project. It is recommended that stu-

dents choosing this concentration, actively seek postsecondary schools to further their education in this field.