

# Sacred Heart Academy

265 Benham Street, Hamden, CT 06514

## Fast Facts

**Student Body:** 490 Students (All Female)

**Student to teacher ratio:** 10 to 1

**Students of Color:** 7%

**Graduates who attend a 4 yr college:** 99%

## Contact Information

**Current Head of School:**

Sr. Colleen Smith

**Phone Number:**

203.288.2309

**Website:**

[www.sha-excelsior.org](http://www.sha-excelsior.org)

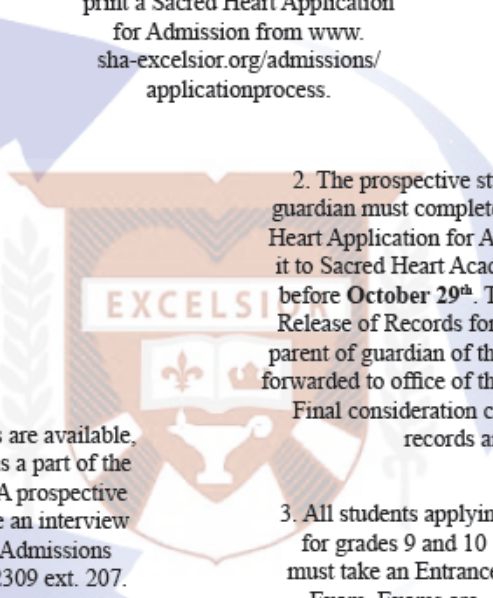
From the Sacred Heart Website:

“Sacred Heart Academy, founded by the Apostles of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in the Roman Catholic Tradition and committed to the expression of strong Christian values and intellectual growth, provides a challenging college preparatory education for young women. The school is a community which promotes the growth of the whole person in a caring environment which encourages personal integrity, compassion, justice and a sense of responsibility to self, others and the needs of society.

“True to its motto Excelsior, Sacred Heart Academy is committed to the pursuit of excellence in all areas of school life. Strong academic curriculum and supportive Christian community encourage growth and maturity in young women. Sacred Heart students are challenged and inspired to become informed citizens who share joy in learning and a love of truth. The School fosters values of compassion, integrity, trust, justice, responsibility and courage. Everyone is expected to uphold high standards of behavior in an atmosphere of sensitivity and mutual respect. A Sacred Heart Academy education instills an appreciation and zeal for Christian living and a tradition of charity rooted in the Love of Christ.”



# Application Process

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1. The prospective student must print a Sacred Heart Application for Admission from [www.sha-excelsior.org/admissions/applicationprocess](http://www.sha-excelsior.org/admissions/applicationprocess).
  2. The prospective student and her parent or guardian must complete both parts of the Sacred Heart Application for Admission form and return it to Sacred Heart Academy with the \$40.00 fee before **October 29<sup>th</sup>**. The enclosed Request for Release of Records form must be signed by the parent of guardian of the prospective student and forwarded to office of the student's current school. Final consideration cannot be given until all records are received.
  3. All students applying for grades 9 and 10 must take an Entrance Exam. Exams are scheduled for the **first Saturday in November** of each year beginning at 8:00 a.m.
  4. Personal interviews are available, but are not required as a part of the admissions process. A prospective student may schedule an interview by telephoning the Admissions Office at (203) 288-2309 ext. 207. One or both parents or guardians must accompany the candidate and parents/guardians will be interviewed.
  5. Written recommendations are not required but are extremely helpful in clarifying a student's application and/or in explaining special circumstances. Sacred Heart Academy must receive school records as soon as possible. Final consideration cannot be given until all records are received.

## Financial Aid

Approximately 20 percent of the students at Sacred Heart Academy receive financial aid through the school's endowment fund. Sixty-three named scholarships and scholarships from the endowment fund are available annually. Financial aid is based on both academics and need and is available to students during their four years at the academy. Scholarship recipients are reviewed annually. Awards are based on need and number of requests. Financial aid requests are considered after the applicant has been accepted. All necessary financial aid forms will be distributed on the evening of the student's registration in **February**.