



**MISSION** Bearden High School exists to help all students become responsible, self-directed, lifelong learners capable of functioning effectively in a global society.

**Administration** **Debbie Sayers, Principal**

*Assistant Principals:* Rod Crockett, Seniors

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Cara Vaughn, Freshmen

**School Counseling Department**

**School Counselors**

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Class of 2019	
4 Year College	74%
2 Year College	17%
Trade/Technical	3%
Military	2%
Work	4%
Graduation Rate	93%
Scholarship Total	\$28,232,683

**The Community**

Bearden High School is located in a middle/upper income community in the fastest growing sector of Knoxville. The City of Knoxville is home to 187,500 people with a county population of 461,860. Knoxville serves a business and industrial community as well as being home to The University of Tennessee. Our parental community is largely professional in nature drawing from our close proximity to science, engineering, medical, legal and university arenas.

**The School**

Bearden High School is a comprehensive 4-year high school with a current enrollment of 2,055 students in grades nine through twelve. Designated a 1:1 Technology school in 2013 and a Pre-AP school in 2018, Bearden has also earned U.S. News' Silver Award and Niche's list of 2020 best schools. The academic program is organized on a block schedule, where the maximum load is 8 credits per year. Our high school has gained accreditation from the Tennessee State Board of Education and the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. BHS Foundation and PTSO are active parent & alumni based organizations that provide support through voluntary efforts and fiscal contributions which enhance instruction and student support.

**Grading Policy & Rank**

Knox County Schools' reports class rank in deciles. **An additional three (3) points are added to the final class average for Honors courses, four (4) points are added to the final class average for NIC & Statewide DC courses, and five (5) points are added to the final class average (May) for AP and courses. Mid-term grades do not have the additional points added.** In calculating a weighted GPA, Honors courses are given an additional 0.5 quality points, NIC courses an additional .75 and AP/DE courses an additional 1.0. **The transcript includes both an unweighted and weighted GPA, based on a 4.00 scale:**

**Grade Scale**

**A** (93 - 100) 4  
**B** (85 - 92) 3  
**C** (75 - 84) 2  
**D** (70 - 74) 1  
**F** (0 - 69) 0

**Cumulative Grade Distribution by Deciles (weighted GPA)**

Decile	GPA Range	Decile	GPA Range
I	4.57 – 4.22	VI	3.26 – 2.98
II	4.21 – 4.0	VII	2.97 – 2.70
III	4.00 – 3.76	VIII	2.69 – 2.30
IV	3.75 – 3.5	VIII	2.29 – 1.96
V	3.48 – 3.28	X	1.94 – below

**Graduation Requirements**

English 4 credits  
 Mathematics 4 credits  
 Science 3 credits  
 Social Studies 3 credits  
 Wellness/PE 1.5 credits  
 World Language 2 credits  
 Fine Art 1 credit  
 Personal Finance .5 credits  
*Minimum of 28 credits required*

**Bearden ACT Average 23** **Fall 2019 Enrollment:** 9<sup>th</sup> 504, 10<sup>th</sup> 514, 11<sup>th</sup> 549, 12<sup>th</sup> 488  
 Knox County 20  
 Tennessee 20.1

**Student Body Demographics**

Asian	4.20%
Black or African American	11.14%
Hispanic or Latino	7.06%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	.18%
White	76.92%
Economically Disadvantaged	9.74%
English Learners	4.75%

**AP Five Year School Summary of Exams Administered**

Year	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Total AP Exam Takers	541	567	497	585	642
Total Exams	792	905	849	822	983
Students Scoring ≥3	303	327	332	365	379
% of Students Scoring ≥3	56%	57.7%	66.8%	62.4%	59%

Bearden High School

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**Member:**  
 SACAS  
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 TN ASSP  
 College Board  
 SACAC  
 NACAC

## Curriculum, Clubs and Organizations

<b>Honors Courses (27)</b>	Anatomy & Physiology Biology I, II Chemistry I, II Physical Wld Concepts Physics Scientific Research Academic Research Art, Orchestra Band, Vocal Music	<b>AP Courses (26)</b>	Computer Sci Prin Environmental Sci Physics CM Human Geography Economics-Macro Economics-Micro European History US History US Government	Art-2D & 3D Art Drawing Art History Music Theory Seminar Research	<b>Wild Lang Offerings</b>
English I, II French III, IV German III, IV Latin III, IV Spanish III, IV Algebra I, II Geometry Pre-Calculus		English Lit & Lang German Spanish Latin Calculus AB BC Statistics Biology Chemistry			American Sign Lang Arabic French German Latin Spanish

<b>Clubs and Organizations</b>	Beauty to Unveil BHS Art Guild BHS Drama Dawgs Book Club Chess Club Climbing Team Club ONE Multi-Cultural Students	Code TN Creative Writing Dance Dawgs DECA Environmental Club Equestrian Club FCCLA FCCLA Too	Fellowship of Christian Athletes French Club Film Club Future Bus Leaders of America Garageband Hangout Club Gay Straight Alliance	German Club Hearthstone Club Helping Hands Hiking Club History Club HOSA Key Club Latin Club Math Honor Society	National Honor Society Navy JROTC Potluck Club Robotics Club Sailing Club Team Sasuke Club Science Olympiad Scholars Bowl Senior Committee	Spanish National Hon Society Student Government Assoc Teens for Christ Bible Club Ultimate Frisbee Team Virtual Enterpris
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Bearden offers 18 Athletic Teams in which students can participate.

### Bearden students from the Classes of 2015 – 2019 can be found on the following campuses

Appalachian State University	Converse College	Jacksonville State University	North Carolina State University	Sweet Briar College	U of Northern Colorado
Arizona State University	Dalton State	University	University	TN College of Applied Tech - Crossville	U of Pennsylvania
Art Institute of Chicago	Defiance College	King University	Northland C&T	Tech - Crossville	U of San Agustin
Art Institute of Nashville	Delta Community College	Lebanon Valley College	Northwestern U	TN College of Applied Tech - Knoxville	U of San Francisco
Auburn University	DePaul University	Lee University	Norwich University	TN School of Beauty	U of the South-Sewanee
Austin Peay University	Douglas J. Aveda Institute	Lees McRae College	Oglethorpe University	TN State U	U of South Carolina
Baylor University	Duke University	Liberty University	Ohio Technical School	TN Technological U	U of Southern California
Belmont University	East TN State University	Lincoln Memorial University	Ohio State University	TN Wesleyan College	U of TN - Chattanooga
Berry College	Eastern Kentucky University	Lincoln College of Technology	Ohio University	Texas A&M	U of TN - Knoxville
Birmingham Southern College	Eastern University	Lipscomb University	Oral Roberts U	Thomas More College	U of TN - Martin
Boston University	Embry-Riddle	Loyola Univeristy - Chicago	O'more College of Design	Transylvania University	U of VA - Wise
Brigham Young	Emory and Henry College	Lynchburg College	Otago University (New Zealand)	Trevecca Nazarene University	U of WI - Madison
Broward College	Emory University	Marshall University	Pace University	Tusculum	U of Wyoming
Bryan College	Ferrum College	Martin Methodist College	Palm Beach Atlantic	U of Alabama	Vanderbilt University
Butler University	Fisk University	Maryland Institute College of Art	Paul Mitchell the School	U of Alabama at Birmingham	Vassar College
Carnegie Mellon University	Flagler College	Maryville College	Pellissippi State	U of Alabama - Huntsville	Virginia Tech
Carson-Newman University	Florida State University	Mercer County CC	Penn State University	U of Alabama - Huntsville	Wake Forest
Case Western Reserve University	Francis Marion University	Methodist University	Princeton University	U of California - Los Angeles	Walters State
Cedarville University	Furman	Michigan State University	Regency Beauty Institute	U of California - Los Angeles	Washington University in St. Louis
Centre College	Georgia Tech	Middle Tennessee State University	Ringling College of Art & Design	U of Charleston	Washington University in St. Louis
Chattanooga State	Grand Valley State University	Mississippi State University	RIT Croatia	U of Chicago	West Virginia U
Chipola College	Greensboro College	Missouri State University	Rollins College	U of Colorado-Boulder	Western Carolina University
Clemson University	Guilford Technical CC	Morehead State University	Roane State	U of the Cumberland	Western Washington University
Cleveland Inst of Art	Harding University	Motlow State	Samford University	U of Florida	University
Cleveland State	Hillsborough CC	Muhlenberg College	Santa Monica College	U of Georgia	Winona State University
College of Charleston	Hillsdale	Murray State University	Santa Fe Com College	U of Illinois	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Colorado State University	Hiwassee College	Nashville State	Savannah College of Art and Design	U of Kansas	Word of Life Bible Institute
Columbia Intl U	Iowa State University		School of Art Inst of Chicago	U of Kentucky	US Air Force
Columbia State			Stockholm Scl of Ec	U of Louisville	US Army
Concordia University				U of Massachusetts	US Marines
Covenant College				U of Michigan-Ann Arbor	US Navy
				U of Mississippi	
				U of NC-Chapel Hill	
				U of North Texas	

