

West High School

School Profile 2020 - 2021

Providing a safe, orderly, and respectful learning environment that fosters open-minded and caring young people.

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Our School

West High School is one of 16 high schools in the Knox County Schools district enrolling 1535 students in grades 9-12. West High School is the only **International Baccalaureate** high school in Knoxville and offers the Diploma Programme, the Middle Years Programme, and the Career-Related Programme. Our student body comes from 42 countries and approximately 44% of our students participate in the federal Free/Reduced Lunch program. Students are enrolled in eight year-long classes that run on an alternating block schedule. Final grades and credits are awarded in May.

Our Community

Knoxville is home to 187,500 people with a county population of 470,000. The University of Tennessee-Knoxville and Pellissippi State Community College are both located within two miles of the high school.

2021 GRADE DISTRIBUTION BY DECILE

Decile	GPA Range	Decile	GPA Range
1	4.62-4.44	6	3.17-2.91
2	4.43-4.13	7	2.90-2.59
3	4.12-3.83	8	2.58-2.16
4	3.82-3.50	9	2.15-1.63
5	3.49-3.18	10	1.62-0.58

2021 ACT Average

WHS	21
State	19.4
National	20.8



9 students in the class of 2021 will receive some level of National Merit recognition.

Grading Scale

All courses are averaged into a GPA. An additional 3 points are added to the final class average for **Honors** classes, and 5 points are added to the final class average for **IB/AP/Dual Enrollment** courses.

CLASS RANK

Rank in class will be indicated in deciles (top 10%, 20%, etc.) and determined after the junior year.

GRADING SCALE

Grades	Percent Scale	CP	Honors/NICC	AP/DE
A	93-100%	4.0	4.5	5.0
B	85-92%	3.0	3.5	4.0
C	75-84%	2.0	2.5	3.0
D	70-74%	1.0	1.5	2.0
F	Below 70%	0.0	0.0	0.0

Fall 2020 Enrollment

9th	400
10th	372
11th	386
12th	380

DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS	
Core Subjects	Credits
English	4
Mathematics	4
Science	3
US History/Geography	1
Economics, US Government	1
World History/Geography	1
P. E. & Wellness	1.5
Personal Finance	0.5
Elective Focus	3
Other Electives	9
University Admissions	
World Language	2
Fine or Performing Arts	1

Academic Offerings

- 18 International Baccalaureate Classes
- 8 Advanced Placement Courses
- 13 Honors Courses
- 13 Fine and Performing Arts opportunities
- Dual Enrollment through Pellissippi State CC and University of Tennessee
- Career-Technical Education- Accounting, Banking & Finance, Coding, Cybersecurity, Marketing Education, Dietetics & Nutrition, Health Science, Cosmetology, Engineering, Electrical

In 2020, 193 students took 507 **International Baccalaureate Exams**. The average score was a 4.5. Of 30 Diploma Candidates, 18 earned the IB Diploma.

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- 49 Clubs and Organizations
- 19 Athletic Teams
- 8 Academic Teams
- 4 Performing Arts Opportunities

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Knox County Schools went online on 3/12/2020. Students were not given any new instruction for the remainder of the school year, but were allowed to turn in work to increase their semester grades.

In August, KCS re-opened as a 1-to-1 district, with approximately 1/3 of students opting for virtual instruction. Virtual classes are asynchronous and are taught by Knox County teachers and through Florida Virtual School.

The West High School Class of

Alabama A & M	Marymount Manhattan College	University of Mississippi
Appalachian State Univ	Maryville College	University of TN, Chattanooga
Auburn University	Middle TN State University	University of TN, Knoxville
Austin Peay State Univ	Ohio State University	University of Virginia
Belmont University	Pellissippi State CC	Valparaiso University
Berklee College of Music	Presbyterian College	Vanderbilt University
Berry College	Purdue University	Washington Univ in St Louis
Birmingham Southern Coll	Rhodes College	Western Kentucky University
Carson Newman University	Rice University	Wofford College
Clemson University	Roane State CC	
Davidson College	Rollins College	
East TN State University	Sewanee	
Eckerd College	St Mary's College	
Emerson College	TN Technological Univ	
George Washington Univ	Troy University	
Georgia Tech University	Tusculum University	
Hampden Sydney College	University of Alabama	
Lincoln Memorial Univ	University of Georgia	
Lindsey Wilson College	University of Miami	