West High School

School Profile 2023-2024

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 Program, the Middle Years Program, and the Career-Related Program. Our students come 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 191,000 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 West High School.

New Grading Scale: Beginning in August 2022, the State of Tennessee will use a 10 point grading scale.

2024 GRADE DISTRIBUTION BY DECILE				
Decile	GPA Range	Decile	GPA Range	
1	4.70-4.529	6	3.40-2.979	
2	4.52-4.29	7	2.975-2.60	
3	4.28-4.057	8	2.58-2.19	
4	4.055-3.75	9	2.17-1.61	
5	3.74-3.42	10	1.57-0.45	

2021 ACT AVERAGE		
WHS	20.9	
State	19.6	
National	20.8	

National Merit Recognition: 15 students in the Class of 2024 will be named Commended or Finalist.

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	СР	Honors/NICC	AP/DE	
Α	90-100%	4.0	4.5	5.0	
В	80-89%	3.0	3.5	4.0	
С	70-79%	2.0	2.5	3.0	
D	60-69%	1.0	1.5	2.0	
F	Below 60%	0.0	0.0	0.0	

Fall 2023 Enrollment			
9th	394		
10th	375		
11th	393		
12th	371		

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	

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

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

Academic Offerings

- 18 International Baccalaureate Classes
- 8 Advanced Placement Courses
- 13 Honors Courses
- 13 Fine and performing arts opportunities
- Dual Enrollment though Pellissippi State and University of Tennessee
- Career/Technical Education Accounting, Coding, Cybersecurity, Marketing Education, Dietetics and Nutrition, Health Science, Cosmetology, Engineering, Electrical

In 2023, 167 students took 439 **International Baccalaureate Exams.** The average score was a 4.5. Of 24 Diploma Candidates, 19 earned the IB Diploma. Eight students earned the Career Program Diploma.

Class of 2022 Matriculation following campuses.

Agnes Scott College	Lee University	Tennessee Wesleyan Univ	Winthrop University
American University	Lincoln Memorial University	Transylvania University	Xavier University
Arizona State Univ	Louisiana State University	University of Alabama- Huntsville	
Auburn Univ	Maryville College	University of Alabama	
Barry University	Michigan State University	University of Arizona	
Belmont University	Middle TN State University	University of Colorado-Boulder	
Berry College	Milligan University	University of Georgia	
Carson Newman University	Millkin University	University of Kentucky	
Clemson University	New York University	University of Miami	
Coastal Carolina Univ	Newberry College	University of Mississippi	
College of Charleston	Pellissippi State CC	Univ of South Alabama	
Davidson College	Portland State University	University of South Carolina	
East TN State University	Rhode Island School of Design	University of TN, Chattanooga	
Elmira College	Rhodes College	University of TN, Knoxville	
Emory University	Rice University	University of Virginia	
Florida State University	Samford University	Vanderbilt University	
George Washington Univ	Savannah College of Art & Design	Wake Forest University	
Jackson State University	TN Technological University	Western Carolina University	
Johns Hopkins University	Tennessee State University	Wingate University	