

West High School

International Baccalaureate Programme



Where is West High School?



- Close to University of Tennessee, Riversports (Home of West's Climbing Club)
- On Sutherland Avenue near Kingston Pike
- Growing neighborhood with great new restaurants and shops: Gus's Chicken, El Charro, Dead End BBQ

We are a one-to-one school

- Each student is issued a Chromebook for the year
- Much of our coursework is on Canvas



West Teachers Love to Help!

- Free tutoring before and after school
- Freshman Academy celebrates success with a Dean's List
- Teachers can also help you during advisory
- Our library is awesome!

Our Fine Arts are Outstanding

- We offer excellent theatre arts (plays and musicals), visual art, vocal music, and band programs
- We have the biggest art department in Knox County Schools with a photographer lab and college level work in IB Art

West has traditional sports and clubs for everyone



Contact Ms Roberts, 9th Grade
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IB: World Class College Preparation



- Research
- Critical Thinking
- Communication
- Reflection
- Opportunities to grow and become leaders

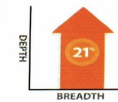
West High IB

- Academically challenging
- Recognized and respected by the world's leading colleges and universities
- Participating in IB increases the chances of attending college and graduating on time

10 REASONS WHY THE IB DIPLOMA PROGRAMME IS IDEAL PREPARATION FOR UNIVERSITY

1 IT OFFERS ACADEMIC BREADTH & DEPTH

IB Diploma Programme students are 21% more likely to be admitted into 10 of the most prestigious universities, including Harvard, Princeton, Yale and Stanford.



2 COLLEGES VALUE STUDENTS WITH MEANINGFUL EXPERIENCES BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

Creativity, action, service (CAS) encourages learning through direct experience.

3 IT'S A QUALIFICATION RECOGNIZED BY UNIVERSITIES

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The IB Diploma Programme is internationally benchmarked, allowing graduates to continue their studies anywhere in the world.

4 IT CREATES INDEPENDENT LEARNERS & STRONG WRITERS

The extended essay requires independent research through an in-depth study and a 4,000 word essay.



6 IT ASSESSES MORE THAN EXAMINATION TECHNIQUES

IB never teaches to the test—exams are externally assessed with no grade inflation for more than 30 years.

7 IB STUDENTS HAVE PROVEN TIME MANAGEMENT SKILLS

Research has found that IB students develop strong study habits and critical time management skills, key indicators of college readiness.



5 IT CULTIVATES AN INTERNATIONAL MINDSET



An international mindset is a key 21st century learning skill. Second language learning—an IB requirement—has been linked to higher achievement in school and university.

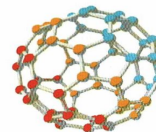
8 THE IB ENCOURAGES CRITICAL THINKING

Inquisitiveness and interpretation are among the key cognitive properties of an IB education.



9 SUBJECTS AREN'T TAUGHT IN ISOLATION

Theory of knowledge classes encourage students to make connections between subjects and gain the skills they need to be critical thinkers.



AND HERE ARE 10 MORE REASONS...

The IB learner profile offers 10 qualities underpinning the Diploma Programme—from open-minded to risk-taker to balanced, they form a framework for an international education that meets the needs of a changing world.

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IB learner profile

- The IB learner profile is the IB mission statement translated into a set of learning outcomes for the 21st century
- As IB learners we strive to be:
 - inquirers
 - knowledgeable
 - thinkers
 - communicators
 - principled
 - open-minded
 - caring
 - risk-takers
 - balanced
 - reflective





IB Courses Offered

- English
- French, German, Spanish
- History, Psychology, World Religion, Global Politics
- Physics, Biology, Chemistry, ESS
- Math
- Visual Art, Theatre, Music
- Theory Of Knowledge



WHAT DOES IB DO FOR OUR KIDS?

- [WHS IB Video](#)
- 1676 Colleges and Universities in the US now have official policies for admitting IB students.
- [UTK IB Credits](#)

School	Overall Acceptance	IB Acceptance	IB Diploma Acceptance
UGA	65.0%	93.5%	94.3%
UNC Chapel Hill	35.0%	57.6%	63.6%
Clemson	52.0%	84.7%	93.2%
Harvard	11.0%	12.2%	12.1%

Why West? Why IB?

- Outstanding preparation for college/university
- Emphasis on critical thinking, writing, analysis, oral presentation
- Camaraderie among IB students
- IB students “stand out” in the college admission process
- **West is a fun place to be!**

IB Career-Related Programme

- Health Science
- Nutrition and Dietetics
- Coding
- Engineering
- IB Career Paths, sign up as 9th graders

*In authorization phase, pending KCS Board approval

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2020-2021 WHS Transfers

- The transfer window is **now open!**
- Transfer applications are now available.
- There is a screening process for IB Program of Study Transfers. Apply first and then we will contact you to set up screening.
- The 2020-2021 Transfer Window will close at 4pm on Tuesday, February 18, 2020.
- For more information, look up KCS Transfer Office or click this link:

<https://www.knoxschools.org/Page/10664>