

WEST HIGH SCHOOL

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SCHOOL PROFILE 2019-2020

International Baccalaureate World School

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SCHOOL, DISTRICT AND COMMUNITY

West High School is one of 16 high schools in the Knox County School District enrolling 1415 students in grades 9-12. In 2011, West High School is the only high school in Knoxville to offer the **International Baccalaureate Diploma and Middle Years Programme**. The city of Knoxville is home to 174,000 people with a county population of 425,000.

ENROLLMENT 2018-2019:

Seniors: 355	Juniors: 355
Sophomores: 369	Freshmen: 380

STUDENT ETHNIC SUMMARY

* 68% Caucasian * 25% African-American * 2% Asian * 5% Hispanic.

ACCREDITATION

West High School is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, the Tennessee Department of Education, International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme, and the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme.

FACULTY

Of 85 Full-time Faculty, 75% hold an advanced degree.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Successful completion of a minimum of 28 credits in Grades 9 through 12 including:

English	4 credits
Social Studies	3 credits
Mathematics	4 credits
Science	3 credits
Wellness/PE	1.5 credit
Foreign Language	2 credits
Fine Art	1 credit
Personal Finance	0.5 credit

West High is on a year long schedule, and students take 8 classes per year.

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLAR PROGRAM

	2016	2017	2018	2019
Finalists	1	7	5	1
Commended	2	7	6	7

ADVANCED CURRICULUM

Honors Courses

Honors Classes are available in: English I, English II Algebra 1, Algebra II, Geometry Biology, Chemistry World History Spanish II and III, French II and III, German II and III

Advanced Placement Courses

AP Physics -C AP Statistics AP Physics 1 AP Studio Art AP US History AP Studio Art AP Government& Politics AP Language & Composition AP Computer Science Principles AP Human Geography

International Baccalaureate Courses

Group 1: English SL and HL
Group 2: French SL and HL, German SL, Spanish SL and HL
Group 3: History of Europe HL, Psychology SL
World Religion SL, Global Politics SL and HL
Group 4: Biology HL, Chemistry HL, Environmental
Systems and Societies SL, Physics HL
Group 5: Math Studies SL, Mathematics SL and HL
Group 6: Visual Art SL and HL, Theatre HL, Music SL
Theory of Knowledge

We consider the International Baccalaureate courses to be our most rigorous. AP courses are predominantly taken in 10th grade.

GRADING POLICY AND RANK

Knox County Schools' reports class rank in deciles. West High School courses are year-long and final grades are calculated in May. All courses are averaged into a student's grade point average. **An additional three (3) points are added to the final class average for Honors courses and five (5) points are added to the final class average (May) for AP and IB 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 and AP/IB courses an additional 1.0. The transcript includes both an unweighted and **weighted GPA, based on a 4.00 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
Ι	4.67-4.40	VI	3.10-2.80
II	4.39-4.10	VII	2.77-2.36
III	4.09-3.81	VIII	2.34-1.93
IV	3.79-3.50	IX	1.90 – 1.17
V	3.47-3.11	Х	1.15 -0.27

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE SCORES

In 2019, 186 students took 590 examinations; the average score was a 4.50. Of 45 candidates, 26 earned the IB Diploma.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT SCORES 2019

424 examinations were given in 2019. 73% of exams had scores of 3 or higher

AP Score	Number	Percentage of Scores
5	72	17%
4	110	26%
3	124	29%
2	84	20%
1	31	7%

COLLEGE ADMISSIONS TESTING 2018

All students are required to take an ACT as part of the state graduation requirements.

ACT Middle 50% 17-24

SAT

Middle 50%

ERW: 680-720 Math: 620-710

Agnes Scott College American University America University of Paris Appalachian State University Auburn University Austin Peay State University Barnard College **Baylor University Belmont University** Berea College Berry College Birmingham Southern College Boston College Bowdoin College **Butler University** Calvin College Carnegie Mellon University **Carson Newman University Case Western Reserve Centre College** Clemson University College of Charleston Columbia University **Davidson** College Denison University **DePaul University Duke University** Earlham College **East Tennessee State University** Eastern Florida State College **Eastern Kentucky University Elon University** Embry-Riddle **Emerson College** Emory and Henry College **Emory University** Fisk University Flagler College Florida State University **Furman University** Gardner Webb University George Mason University George Washington University Georgia Institute of Technology Guilford College Grinnell College Haverford College Indiana University Johnson & Wales University Kalamazoo College Kenyon College King College Lagrange College Lee University

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Liberty University Lincoln Memorial University Lipscomb University Louisiana State University Maryville College Miami University Middle Tennessee State University Milligan College Mississippi State University Morgan State University New York University North Carolina School of the Arts North Carolina State University Occidental College Oglethorpe University **Ohio State University** Ohio Wesleyan University Oxford College of Emory Penn State University Pratt Institute Presbyterian College Princeton University Purdue University Radford University **Rhodes** College Rice University Roanoke College Samford University San Diego State University Savannah College of Art and Design School of the Art Institute-Chicago School of the Visual Arts-New York Sewanee-University of the South Southeast Missouri State University Spelman College St. John's College **Tennessee State University** Tennessee Tech University Transylvania University Tufts University **Tulane University Tusculum** College UCLA Union College United States Air Force Academy University of Alabama University of Alabama-Birmingham University of Alabama-Huntsville University of Arizona University of California-Berkeley University of California-San Diego University of Chicago UC- Santa Barbara University of Central Florida University of Colorado-Boulder

University of Delaware University of Denver University of Georgia University of Houston University of Kentucky University of Louisville **University of Maryland-College Park** University of Massachusetts-Amherst **University of Memphis** University of Miami University of Mississippi University of Montana University of North Carolina-Asheville University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill University of North Carolina-Charlotte University of Oregon University of Pittsburgh University of Richmond University of Rochester University of San Diego University of San Francisco University of South Carolina University of Southern California University of St Andrews University of Tampa University of Tennessee-Chattanooga University of Tennessee-Knoxville University of Tennessee-Martin University of Texas-Austin University of the Cumberlands University of Vermont University of Virginia Vanderbilt University Vassar College Virginia Tech University Wake Forest University Warren Wilson College Washington and Jefferson College Washington University-St. Louis Wesleyan University West Virginia University Western Carolina University Western Kentucky University Wofford College Worcester Polytechnic Institute