



DUE in the School Counseling Office by March 1, 2019

Bearden High School

Application for December Graduation (Seniors only)

Student Name: _____ **Student ID:** _____

Student Email: _____ **Student Cell Phone:** _____

Number of credits earned as of now: _____ **Number of credits required to graduate:** _____

List the remaining specific credits needed to meet graduation requirements (core courses, elective focus, languages, PE, fine art, etc.):

Is it possible to gain all required credits by December? _____ **YES** _____ **NO**

If YES, please complete the following:

1. Submit a **Graduation Plan** for review. The student's school counselor, their assistant principal, and Mr. Myers will review the plan before a final decision is rendered. The purpose of the graduation plan is to assess the student's understanding of their decision to graduate early and their understanding of the steps needed to reach their goal. The graduation plan must be typed and signed by the student and parent/guardian.

This plan must outline specific reasons for wanting to graduate early **AND** detailed steps on how to achieve the post- secondary goal. For example, a student who wants to attend a community college in January of their senior year might describe where and when they will apply to the college, what courses they plan to take, and when they will apply for financial aid. Likewise, a student who wishes to enter the workforce or military in January should provide details of the job secured, how graduating early is necessary for their career goal and why electing to stay at Bearden until May of their senior year would impede their career goals.

2. Attach the typed graduation plan to this form and submit to your school counselor for further review.
3. By signing below, I acknowledge that it is my responsibility to obtain information from my future college(s) about how my scholarship awards may be affected by this decision. Further, I understand the TN Promise Scholarship may not be used until August and that if Early Graduation is approved, December graduates may participate in Prom and Commencement activities, but not in Athletics.

Student signature/date: _____ **Parent signature/date:** _____

Parent Email: _____ **Parent Phone:** _____

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School Counselor decision: APPROVE NOT APPROVE

COMMENTS: _____

Assistant Principal decision: APPROVE NOT APPROVE

COMMENTS: _____

Mr. Myers decision: APPROVE NOT APPROVE

COMMENTS: _____