



MISSION Bearden High School exists to help all students become responsible, self-directed, lifelong learners capable of functioning effectively in a global society.

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School Counseling Department

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Class of 2020	
4 Year College	76%
2 Year College	15%
Trade/Technical	3%
Military	2%
Work	4%
Graduation Rate	95%
Scholarship Total	\$34,835,576

The Community

Bearden High School is located in a middle/upper income community in the fastest growing sector of Knoxville. The City of Knoxville is home to 187,500 people with a county population of 461,860. Knoxville serves a business and industrial community as well as being home to The University of Tennessee. Our parental community is largely professional in nature drawing from our close proximity to science, engineering, medical, legal and university arenas.

The School

Bearden High School is a comprehensive 4-year high school with a current enrollment of 2,084 students in grades nine through twelve. Designated a 1:1 Technology school in 2013 and a Pre-AP school in 2018, Bearden has also earned U.S. News' Silver Award and Niche's list of 2020 best schools. The academic program is organized on a block schedule, where the maximum load is 8 credits per year. Our high school has gained accreditation from the Tennessee State Board of Education and the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. BHS Foundation and PTSO are active parent & alumni-based organizations that provide support through voluntary efforts and fiscal contributions which enhance instruction and student support.

Grading Policy & Rank

Knox County Schools' reports class rank in deciles. **An additional three (3) points are added to the final class average for Honors courses, four (4) points are added to the final class average for NIC & Statewide DC courses, and five (5) points are added to the final class average (May) for AP and 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, NIC courses an additional .75 and AP/DE courses an additional 1.0. **The transcript includes both an unweighted and weighted GPA based on a 4.00 scale:**

Grade 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
I	4.65 - 4.30	VI	3.36 - 3.08
II	4.29 - 4.07	VII	3.07 - 2.77
III	4.06 - 3.77	VIII	2.76 - 2.52
IV	3.76 - 3.54	VIII	2.51 - 2.00
V	3.53 - 3.37	X	1.99 - below

Graduation Requirements

English	4 credits
Mathematics	4 credits
Science	3 credits
Social Studies	3 credits
Wellness/PE	1.5 credits
World Language	2 credits
Fine Art	1 credit
Personal Finance	.5 credits
<i>Minimum of 28 credits required</i>	

Bearden ACT Average 23.1

Fall 2020 Enrollment: 9th 546; 10th 504; 11th 508; 12th 526

Knox County	21.1
Tennessee	19.4

Student Body Demographics

Asian	3.98%
Black or African American	9.36%
Other	2.30%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	.24%
White	84.36%
Economically Disadvantaged	24.1%
English Learners	5.03%

AP Five Year School Summary of Exams Administered

Year	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Total AP Exam Takers	567	497	585	642	531
Total Exams	905	849	822	983	830
Students Scoring ≥ 3	327	332	365	379	344
% of Students Scoring ≥ 3	57.7%	66.8%	62.4%	59.0%	64.8%

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Curriculum, Clubs and Organizations

Honors Courses (27)	Anatomy & Physiology	AP Courses (27)	Computer Sci Princ.	Art-2D & 3D	Wild Lang Offerings
English I, II	Biology I, II	English Lit & Lang	Environmental Sci	Art Drawing	American Sign Lang
French III, IV	Chemistry I, II	German	Physics CM	Art History	Arabic
German III, IV	Physical Wild Concepts	Spanish	Human Geography	Music Theory	French
Latin III, IV	Physics	Comparative Gov.	Economics-Macro	Seminar	German
Spanish III, IV	Scientific Research	Calculus AB&BC	Economics-Micro	Research	Latin
Algebra I, II	Academic Research	Statistics	European History	World History	Spanish
Geometry	Art, Orchestra	Biology	US History		
Pre-Calculus	Band, Vocal Music	Chemistry	US Government		

Clubs and Organizations	Beauty to Unveil	Code TN	Fellowship of Christian	German Club	National Honor Society	Spanish National Hon
	BHS Art Guild	Creative Writing	Athletes	Hearthstone Club	Navy JROTC	Society
	BHS Drama Dawgs	Dance Dawgs	French Club	Helping Hands	Potluck Club	Student Government
	Book Club	DECA	Film Club	Hiking Club	Robotics Club	Association
	Chess Club	Environmental Club	Future Bus Leaders of	History Club	Sailing Club Team	Teens for Christ Bible
	Climbing Team	Equestrian Club	America	HOSA	Sasuke Club	Club
	Club ONE	FCCLA	Garageband Hangout	Key Club	Science Olympiad	Ultimate Frisbee Team
	Multi-Cultural Students	FCCLA Too	Club	Latin Club	Scholars Bowl	Virtual Enterprise
			Gay Straight Alliance	Math Honor Society	Senior Committee	

Bearden offers 18 Athletic Teams in which students can participate.

The Class of 2020 is enrolled at 80 different colleges in 19 different states, the District of Columbia, and Scotland.

Bearden students from the Classes of 2016 – 2020 can be found on the following campuses

Appalachian State University	Converse College	Jacksonville State University	North Carolina State University	Sweet Briar College	U of Northern Colorado
Arizona State University	Dalton State	University	University	TN College of Applied Tech - Crossville	U of Pennsylvania
Art Institute of Chicago	Defiance College	King University	Northland C&T	Tech - Crossville	U of San Agustin
Art Institute of Nashville	Delta Community College	Lebanon Valley College	Northwestern U	TN College of Applied Tech - Knoxville	U of San Francisco
Auburn University	College	College	Norwich University	TN School of Beauty	U of the South-
Austin Peay University	DePaul University	Lee University	Oglethorpe University	TN State U	Sewanee
Baylor University	Douglas J. Aveda Institute	Lees McRae College	Ohio Technical School	TN Technological U	U of South Carolina
Belmont University	Institute	Liberty University	Ohio State University	TN Wesleyan College	U of Southern
Berry College	Duke University	Lincoln Memorial University	Ohio University	Texas A&M	California
Bethel College	East TN State University	University	Oral Roberts U	Thomas More College	U of TN - Chattanooga
Birmingham Southern College	Eastern Kentucky University	Lincoln College of Technology	Otago University (New Zealand)	Transylvania University	U of TN - Knoxville
Boston University	Eastern University	Lipscomb University	Pace University	Trevecca Nazarene University	U of TN - Martin
Brigham Young	Elon University	Loyola University - Chicago	Palm Beach Atlantic	Tusculum	U of VA - Wise
Broward College	Embry-Riddle	Lynchburg College	Paul Mitchell the School	U of Alabama	U of WI - Madison
Bryan College	Aeronautical University	Marshall University	Pellissippi State	U of Alabama at Birmingham	U of Wyoming
Butler University	Emory and Henry College	Martin Methodist College	Penn State University	Huntsville	Vanderbilt University
Carnegie Mellon University	Emory University	Maryland Institute College of Art	Princeton University	U of Alabama - Huntsville	Vassar College
Carson-Newman University	Ferrum College	Maryville College	Regency Beauty Institute	U of California - Los Angeles	Virginia Tech
Case Western Reserve University	Fisk University	Mercer County CC	Ringling College of Art & Design	U of California - Los Angeles	Wake Forest
Cedarville University	Flagler College	Methodist University	RIT Croatia	U of Charleston	Walters State
Centre College	Florida State University	Michigan State University	Rollins College	U of Chicago	Washington University in St. Louis
Chattanooga State	Francis Marion University	University	Roane State	U of Colorado-Boulder	Watkins College of Art
Chipola College	University	Middle Tennessee State University	Samford University	U of the Cumberland	West Virginia U
Clemson University	Furman	State University	Santa Monica College	U of Florida	Western Carolina University
Cleveland Inst of Art	Georgia Tech	Milligan College	Santa Fe Com College	U of Georgia	Western Washington University
Cleveland State	Grand Valley State University	Missouri State University	Savannah College of Art and Design	U of Illinois	Winona State University
College of Charleston	Greensboro College	Mississippi State University	School of Art Inst of Chicago	U of Kansas	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Colorado State University	Guilford Technical CC	Morehead State University	South College	U of Kentucky	Word of Life Bible Institute
Columbia Intl U	Harding University	Motlow State	Southern Adventist University	U of Louisville	US Air Force
Columbia State	High Point University	Muhlenberg College	Stockholm Scl of Ec	U of Massachusetts	US Army
Concordia University	Hillsborough CC	Murray State University		U of Michigan-Ann Arbor	US Marines
Covenant College	Hillsdale	Nashville State		U of Mississippi	US Navy
	Hillsong College			U of NC-Chapel Hill	
	Hiwassee College			U of North Texas	
	Iowa State University				Univ. of Edinburgh

