



9th Grade Curriculum Night



March 2, 2020

Which credits count toward graduation requirements?



- 4 English credits
- 4 Math credits
- 3 Science credits
- 3.5 Social Studies Credits
- 1.5 Lifetime Wellness and PE
- 1 Fine Arts
- 2 World Language
- 3 Elective Focus
- 6 Additional Electives

28 credits



How many credits can I earn next year?

Fall
4 CLASSES
August- December

Spring
4 CLASSES
January- May

Yearlong
Class
Credits
post in
May
August- May

$$4 + 4 = 8$$

Opportunity
for 8 credits
during
9th grade

What is BLOCK scheduling?

Example Schedule

Fall

August-December

1st Period - English

2nd Period - Math

3rd Period - Art (Lunch during 3rd)

4th Period - Introduction to Business

Spring

January -May

1st Period - Science


2nd Period - Social Studies

3rd Period - Lifetime Wellness

4th Period - Speech

School hours are 8:30-3:30!

Core Academic Course Options

English	English 1 CP	English 1 Honors (yearlong tied to APHG)		
Math	Algebra Yearlong (1A in fall; 1B in Spring)	Algebra 1 CP	Algebra 1 Honors	Geometry Honors or CP
Science	Physical World Concepts	Honors PWC	Honors Biology 1	
Social Studies	World History and Geography	AP Human Geography (yearlong tied to Hon English)	Students enrolled in Honors English will also be enrolled in AP Human Geography.	

Academic Release

- If you disagree with the academic placement, you must complete an Academic Release form available from your middle school counselor or on the BHS School Counseling Class of 2024 webpage.

- **Required:**

- Current Grades/Test Scores
- Rationale for changing levels
- Student Signature
- Parent Signature

2020-2021 Academic Release (8th grade Registration)

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BEARDEN HIGH SCHOOL - FRESHMAN ACADEMIC RELEASE FORM
Request for change in academic rigor/course level of 2020 - 2021 Online Registration Recommendation(s)

Student Name: _____ 2020 - 2021 Grade Level: **9**

Student Statement: If the request below is to drop down in rigor (ex: AP to CP), you must provide a statement that you would share with college admission staff justifying this request. * (If moving up rigor level (ex: CP to AP), statement is not required.)

My signature below indicates that I wish to override the placement decision made by my student's teacher(s). I am requesting that my student be enrolled in the course(s) named below, although academic data and performance records were used for placing my student in the appropriate level of courses. **As the parent, I take academic responsibility for this decision and understand that if granted, my student's schedule will not be changed back if he/she is unsuccessful in the new course.**

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____ Email / Phone: _____

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____ Email / Phone: _____

Requesting recommended course/level change of _____ to _____.

Requesting recommended course/level change of _____ to _____.

— The below information is for BHS office use only —

Counselor's Signature: _____ Date: _____ Agree Disagree

Comments: _____

Curriculum Principal's Signature: _____ Date: _____ Agree Disagree

Comments: _____

Note: This form must be submitted to the student's school counselor. The school counselor will then provide past academic information, and submit to the Curriculum Principal for review. Administration will subsequently review the requested change(s) and contact you if additional discussion regarding the change is needed. If the change is approved, it will be reflected on the student's schedule by the first day of school.

PRE-AP® Program Information

Pre-AP is designed not only to prepare students for Advanced Placement® courses, but to provide a foundation for high-demand industry certifications and dual enrollment courses.

The Pre-AP® model focuses on discovering untapped student talent and helping them to develop a strong sense of belief in their ability to compete in the path of their choice. Pre-AP® provides a framework to support teachers and students as they seek to reach and exceed their goals.

Courses that fall into the Pre-AP framework:

- Biology
- English 1
- Algebra 1
- Visual Art 1

Honors vs. Advanced Placement (AP)



Honors

Accelerated College Prep
course



AP

College Course

NJROTC



Naval Science Instructors:
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You can take ROTC **both** semesters.

2 ROTC credits will give you a

Lifetime Wellness credit.

Lifetime Wellness

Required
for Graduation

● Topics covered:

- Disease Prevention and Control
- Mental Health; Nutrition
- Physical Fitness and Related Skills
- Safety and First Aid
- Substance Use/Abuse

If you are taking ROTC both semesters, you will not be required to take Lifetime Wellness.



World Languages

2 Credits of Same Language Required for Graduation

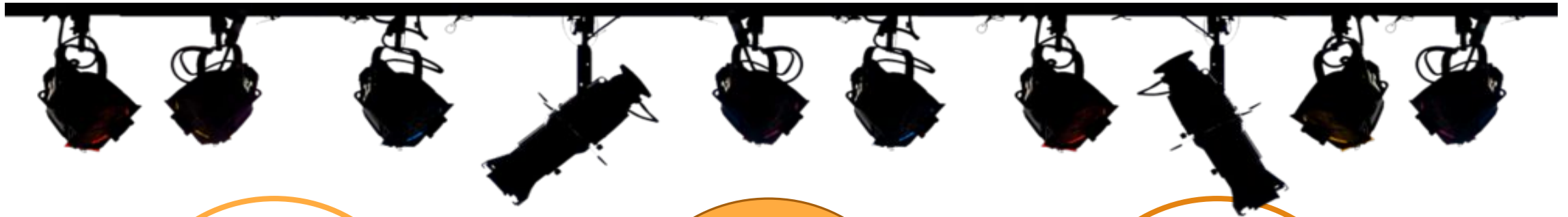
Freshman students who are placed in Honors English 1 are permitted to select:

- German 1 and 2
- French 1 and 2
- Latin 1 and 2
- Arabic 1 and 2
- Spanish 1 and 2
- American Sign Language 1 & 2



Fine Arts

1 Credit Required
for Graduation



Concert
Choir

Theatre
Arts 1

Visual
Arts 1



Fine Arts cont.

1 Credit Required
for Graduation

Marching Band

Concert Band

Orchestra 1

Prerequisites:

- Prior experience required on a band/orchestra **EXCEPT** Color Guard.
- Band Camp attendance is required for Marching Band.



Career and Technical Education Electives*

Computer Applications
Fundamentals of Education
Health Science Education
Intro to Business and Marketing
Intro to Human Studies
Maintenance and Light Repair
NIC Computer Science Foundations
NIC Foundations of Supply Chain
NIC Principles of Engineering

**The maximum for each class is 25 students (Auto is 20). Sections are limited. CTE courses are in high demand and cannot always be guaranteed.*



9th Humanities Electives



Creative Writing 1
Journalism 1
Medieval Literature
Science Fiction Literature
Speech (Public Speaking)
Tennessee History
Books of Broadway



9th Registration Timeline

- **March 6** - Online Registration closes
- **March 12** - Deadline for Academic Releases & Course Verification forms to be returned to middle schools
- **March 27** - 8th Grade students visit BHS

Please visit our Class of 2024 Website!

School Counseling

– Meet Bearden School

Counseling Staff

Comprehensive School

Counseling

+ College & Career Center

News

> NCAA and NAIA Information

> Bearden High School

Profile

> Forms (Brag Sheet, Teacher

Ltr of Rec, Scholarship

Nomination Form, etc)

> Crisis Numbers and

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> Parenting Resources

> Registration 2020-21

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> Class of 2024 (Rising 9th

Info)

> BHS Course Fair

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> Suicide Prevention

Information and Resources



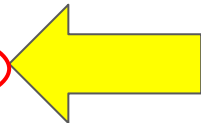
Welcome Freshmen

Hello Class of 2024! My name is Kelly Nash and I will be your School Counselor next year. I'm looking forward to meeting you and helping you have a great start to Bearden High School! Please see the documents below for helpful information on registering for classes, important dates and deadlines. Please reach out to me if you have additional questions: kelly.nash@knoxschools.org

Parents, Don't forget about our 8th Grade Curriculum Night at BHS on Monday, March 2nd 7:00-8:30pm! We hope you can join us to learn more about freshman year including academics, clubs and sports.

Registration Documents

- [Class of 2024 Registration Info & Timeline](#)
- [High School Registration FAQ](#)
- [9th Grade Elective Courses](#)
- [9th Elective Descriptions](#)
- [Freshman Academic Release](#)
- [Graduation Requirements](#)
- [Aspen Registration Instructions](#)
- [Aspen Registration Video Tutorial](#)
- [Online Registration presentation](#)





**KEEP
CALM
AND
BULLDOG
ON**

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**See Rising 9th Registration page on our
school website for more info!**