



# Bearden High School

## Application for December Graduation (Seniors only) **DUE 03/06/20**

**Beginning with the Class of 2021, Early Graduates must meet the following requirements. Check the boxes below as they apply to you:**

- Have no more than 4 credits remaining  
 Meet the standards of a TN Ready Graduate by one of these indicators:
  - achieve an ACT composite score of  $\geq 21$
  - earn 4 EPSOs (Early Post-Secondary Opportunity such as AP, DE or DC courses)
  - earn 2 EPSOS and 2 Industry Certifications
  - earn 2 Industry Certifications and attain an ASVAB score of  $\geq 31$

**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.):

\_\_\_\_\_

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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 Mrs. Sayers 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: \_\_\_\_\_

**Curriculum Principal** decision:      APPROVE      NOT APPROVE

COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

**Principal Sayers** decision:      APPROVE      NOT APPROVE

COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_