

West High School

School Profile 2024- 2025

Providing a safe, orderly, and respectful learning environment that fosters open-minded and caring young people

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Our School

West High School is one of 16 high schools in the Knox County Schools district enrolling 1535 students in grades 9-12. West High School is the only International Baccalaureate high school in Knoxville and offers the Diploma Program, the Middle Years Program, and the Career-Related Program. Our students come from 42 countries and approximately 44% of our students participate in the federal Free/Reduced Lunch program. Students are enrolled in eight year-long classes that run on an alternating block schedule. Final grades and credits are awarded in May.

Our Community

Knoxville is home to 191,000 people with a county population of 470,000. The University of Tennessee-Knoxville and Pellissippi State Community College are both located within two miles of West High School.

New Grading Scale: Beginning in August 2022, the State of Tennessee will use a 10 point grading scale.

2024 GRADE DISTRIBUTION BY DECILE

Decile	GPA Range	Decile	GPA Range
1	4.68-4.43	6	3.47-3.18
2	4.42-4.22	7	3.17-2.83
3	4.21-4.00	8	2.79-2.43
4	4.00-3.75	9	2.41-1.96
5	3.74-3.48	10	1.95-1.06

2021 ACT AVERAGE

WHS	22.4
State	19.3
National	20.8

National Merit Recognition: 6 students in the Class of 2024 will be named Commended or Finalist.

Grading Scale

All courses are averaged into a GPA. An additional 3 points are added to the final class average for **Honors** classes, and 5 points are added to the final class average for **IB/AP/Dual Enrollment** courses.

CLASS RANK

Rank in class will be indicated in deciles (top 10%, 20%, etc.) and determined after the junior year.

GRADING SCALE

Grades	Percent Scale	CP	Honors/NICC	AP/DE
A	90-100%	4.0	4.5	5.0
B	80-89%	3.0	3.5	4.0
C	70-79%	2.0	2.5	3.0
D	60-69%	1.0	1.5	2.0
F	Below 60%	0.0	0.0	0.0

Fall 2023 Enrollment

9th	357
10th	395
11th	347
12th	354

DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS	
Core Subjects	Credits
English	4
Mathematics	4
Science	3
US History/Geography	1
Economics, US Government	1
World History/Geography	1
P. E. & Wellness	1.5
Personal Finance	0.5
Elective Focus	3
Other Electives	9
University Admissions	
World Language	2
Fine or Performing Arts	1

- Academic Offerings**
- 18 International Baccalaureate Classes
 - 8 Advanced Placement Courses
 - 13 Honors Courses
 - 13 Fine and performing arts opportunities
 - Dual Enrollment through Pellissippi State and University of Tennessee
 - Career/Technical Education - Accounting, Coding, Cybersecurity, Marketing Education, Dietetics and Nutrition, Health Science, Cosmetology, Engineering, Electrical

In 2024, 167 students took 439 **International Baccalaureate Exams**. The average score was a 4.5. Of 24 Diploma Candidates, 19 earned the IB Diploma. Eight students earned the Career Program Diploma.

- EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**
- 49 Clubs and Organizations
 - 19 Athletic Teams
 - 8 Academic Teams
 - 4 Performing Arts Opportunities

Class of 2022 Matriculation following campuses.

Agnes Scott College	Lee University	Tennessee Wesleyan Univ	Wheaton College
American University	Lipscomb University	Transylvania University	William and Mary
Arizona State University	Louisiana State University	United States Air Force Academy	Wofford College
Auburn University	Maryville College	University of Alabama	
Belmont University	Michigan State University	University of Arizona	
Brown University	Middle TN State University	University of Colorado-Boulder	
Carnegie Mellon University	Milligan University	University of Georgia	
Carson Newman University	Millkin University	University of Kentucky	
Clemson University	New York University	University of Miami	
Colorado School of Mines	Newberry College	University of Mississippi	
College of Charleston	Pellissippi State CC	University of Notre Dame	
Denison University	Portland State University	University of South Carolina	
East TN State University	Rhode Island School of Design	University of TN, Chattanooga	
Elmira College	Rhodes College	University of TN, Knoxville	
Emory University	Rice University	University of Virginia	
Florida State University	Samford University	Vanderbilt University	
Furman University	Savannah College of Art & Design	Wake Forest University	
Georgia Tech University	TN Technological University	Western Carolina University	
Howard University	Tennessee State University	Wingate University	