



BEARDEN HIGH SCHOOL

9th Grade Elective Courses 2025-2026

[Click on the links below for videos with course or program information!](#)



HUMANITIES ELECTIVES

Creative Writing
Journalism 1
Science Fiction
Speech
Leadership 1 (*application course*)
Young Adult Lit
Bible History
Tennessee History (*recommended to those on track to earn a high B or A in 8th grade English or Social Studies*)

WORLD LANGUAGE ELECTIVES

Level 1 course = *recommended for those on track to earn a high B or A in 8th grade English course*

French 1
German 1
Latin 1
Spanish 1 ← *note: very limited availability!*

Level 2 course = *requires completion of Level 1*

French 2
German 2
Latin 2
Spanish 2 ← *note: very limited availability!*

FINE ARTS ELECTIVES

Concert Choir
Brothers In Song (*male choir*)
Bearden Belles (*female choir = audition required*)
[Marching Band Woodwinds/Percussion \(fall\)](#)
[Marching Band Brass/Color Guard \(fall\)](#)
[Concert Band \(spring\)](#)
Orchestra 9/10 Fall
Orchestra 9/10 Spring
[Theater 1](#)
Visual Art 1
Adv Art Printmaking (*Visual Art 1 prerequisite*)
Adv Art Photo (*Visual Art 1 prerequisite*)
Adv Art 2D (*Visual Art 1 prerequisite*)
Adv Art 3D (*Visual Art 1 prerequisite*)

CTE ELECTIVES

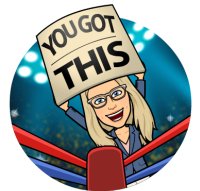
AP Computer Science
[NIC Computer Science Foundations](#)

PE ELECTIVES

PE 1
Navy ROTC 1 Fall + Navy ROTC 1 Spring
*** 2 credits of ROTC satisfies the Wellness & PE requirement*

TIPS:

- You can find the courses in the ASPEN pick-list by sorting the courses alphabetically.
- You can enter notes to your counselor in the NOTES section in ASPEN
- Course Descriptions are available on the BHS Class of 2029 Rising 9th webpage - <https://www.knoxschools.org/Page/24663>
- To learn more about the CTE options, visit [this site](https://sites.google.com/knoxschools.org/beardenhighcteprograms/home) with student videos: <https://sites.google.com/knoxschools.org/beardenhighcteprograms/home>
- You can reach a freshman high school counselor
 - **by email:** (*the easiest way to catch us this time of year*)
leslie.wiles@knoxschools.org or samantha.stechschulte@knoxschools.org
 - **by phone:** (865) 539-7800



BEARDEN STRONG

Support each other **T**each kids **R**each out **O**wn your effort **N**ever settle **G**ive grace