



# College Apps, Financial Aid, NCAA and more

Birmingham Community Charter High School

# UC & CSU Course Requirements

## A-G Courses (15 courses)

- A - History (2 years)
  - US History
  - World History
- B - English (4 years)
- C - Math (3 years)
  - Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2
- D - Science (2 years)
  - Biological Science
  - Physical Science
- E - World Languages (2 years)
- F - Visual & Performing Arts (1 year)
- G - College Prep Elective (1 year)
  - Economics / Government



# Grade Level Benchmarks (Minimum)

Must receive at least a "C" in all courses to be A-G eligible

*Debe recibir al menos una "C" en todos los cursos para ser elegible para A-G*

## 9th

**B - English 9AB**

**C - Algebra 1AB**

**D - Biology AB**

*Adv PE 1AB*

*60 Credits*

## 10th

**A - Wld Hist AB**

**B - English 10AB**

**C - Geometry AB**

**D - Chemistry AB**

*Adv PE 2AB*

*120 Credits*

## 11th

**A - US Hist AB**

**B - Am Lit/Cont**

**C - Algebra 2AB**

**E - LOTE 1AB**

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*180 Credits*

## 12th

**B - ERWC AB**

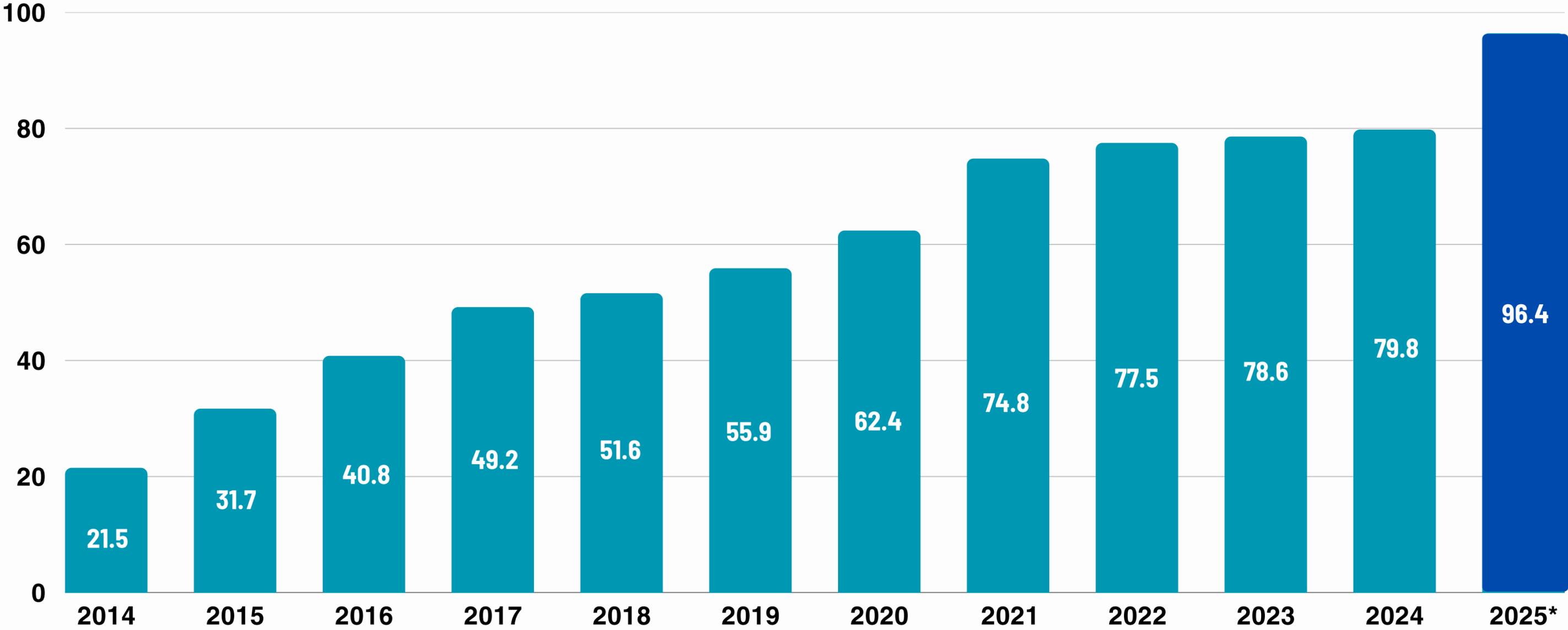
**E - LOTE 2AB**

**F - VPA AB**

**G - Econ (A- Govt)**

*230 Credits*

# BCCHS A-G (College Readiness) Overtime



\*Class of 2025 Projection

**Blue & Gold Center**

## Who We Are



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### Assist with:

- College Applications
- Financial Aid Applications
- College Lists
- College Essays
- Meeting with College Reps
- Understanding Financial Aid Award Offer
- Using SCOIR (college/career planning platform)
- Scholarships
- College Readiness
- + additional planning related



# Blue & Gold Center Staff

## Who We Are



Mrs. Zook  
Career Counselor  
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### Assists with:

- Vocational/Trade Schools
- Military Recruitment Contact
- Career Technical Education
- Career Exploration
- Finding & applying for a job
- Labor Laws
- Work Permits
- Resume
- Career Readiness Programs
- Community College dual enrollment assistance



# College Applications

# Senior Pathways

## UC Pathway

- Students applying to UC, CSU, and/or Private and/or Out-of-State colleges
- **Enrolled in College Seminar on Wednesdays (8:30am-9:30am) from August 27-Nov 12**
- **Students can opt out of the class by emailing Academic Counselors by September 1st**

## CSU Pathway

- Students applying to CSU
- **CSU App Workshops during their Home/TA/Service periods on October 7 & 9 OR October 14 & 16**
  - ***See your Aeries schedule in October***



**Check Aeries for pathway selection.**

## Community College & Career Pathway

- Students applying to Community College OR vocational/trade school OR enlisting in the military OR entering the workforce
- CC/Military/Trade Workshops: **during Home periods/TA in late September.**
  - ***See your Aeries schedule in October***
- For information on military recruitment, trade/vocational schools, or finding a job - see Mrs. Zook



# Important Dates/Deadlines

## Private Colleges

### UC Application:

- **Open now**
- Submit Oct 1 - **Nov. 21** (recommended deadline)
- Actual Deadline: Dec. 1

**GPA: 3.0+**

### CSU Application:

- Submit October 1- **Nov. 21** (recommended deadline)
- **Actual Deadline: Nov 30** - varies

**GPA: 2.0+**

### Common Application:

- **Open now**
- Submit August 1 - varies
- Letters of Recommendation (LOR) **request deadline: Oct 1**
  - **Requests must be made through SCOIR**

# Financial Aid Application



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**US Citizen or Legal Resident**

**Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)**

**[fafsa.gov](https://fafsa.gov)**

Oct 1 - March 2



**CSS Profile  
(Private College)**

**[cssprofile.collegeboard.org](https://cssprofile.collegeboard.org)**

Oct 1 - varies

**STUDENTS  
APPLY TO  
FINANCIAL  
AID USING  
THE FAFSA  
OR CADAA**

**Undocumented/DREAMER**

**CA Dream Act Application (CADAA)**

**[caldreamact.org](https://caldreamact.org)**

Oct 1 - March 2



**CSS Profile  
(Private College)**

**[cssprofile.collegeboard.org](https://cssprofile.collegeboard.org)**

Oct 1 - varies

# Financial Aid Support

- All Seniors received a **Financial Aid Overview presentation** through their English class on September 25 & 26.
- Cash 4 College on Saturday, October 4
- College Seminar students will work on financial aid applications **during class** (Wednesday, October 22)
- CSU & CC Pathway Students have been **given appointments** to complete their financial aid applications. Appointment dates/times are based on when students have home or TA/service periods.
- UC Pathway students not taking College Seminar have been given appointments to work on their financial aid applications. Appointment dates/times are based on when students have home or TA/service periods.

# College Application & Financial Aid Help

## 1. Application Labs:

- Everyday (*except Wednesdays*) in the Blue & Gold Center
- Period 1,5,4, & 8
- Must have Teacher permission or home period
- No appointment needed - first come, first serve

## 2. College Peer Counselors (CPCs)

- Available all periods

## 3. Cash 4 College on Saturday, October 4

- 9am- 1pm in the Blue & Gold Center

## 4. Extended Lab Hours in Blue & Gold Center

- November 17- November 20
- 3:30pm- 4:30pm

## 5. Schedule appointment with College Counselor or Career Counselor





# How To A Schedule Meeting

Ms. Quiñonez

Last Names A-L

<https://calendly.com/wq1>

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Ms. Lopez

Last Names M-Z

<https://calendly.com/er-lopez>

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Mrs. Zook

Career Counselor

<https://calendly.com/a-zook>

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- ★ Students may only schedule appointments during home periods, TA/service periods, lunch, after school, or during class IF they have prior permission from their teacher.
- ★ We will NOT send summons slips. Students must receive a pass from their teacher.

# ✦ How We Communicate College/Career Info

## 1 GOOGLE CLASSROOM:

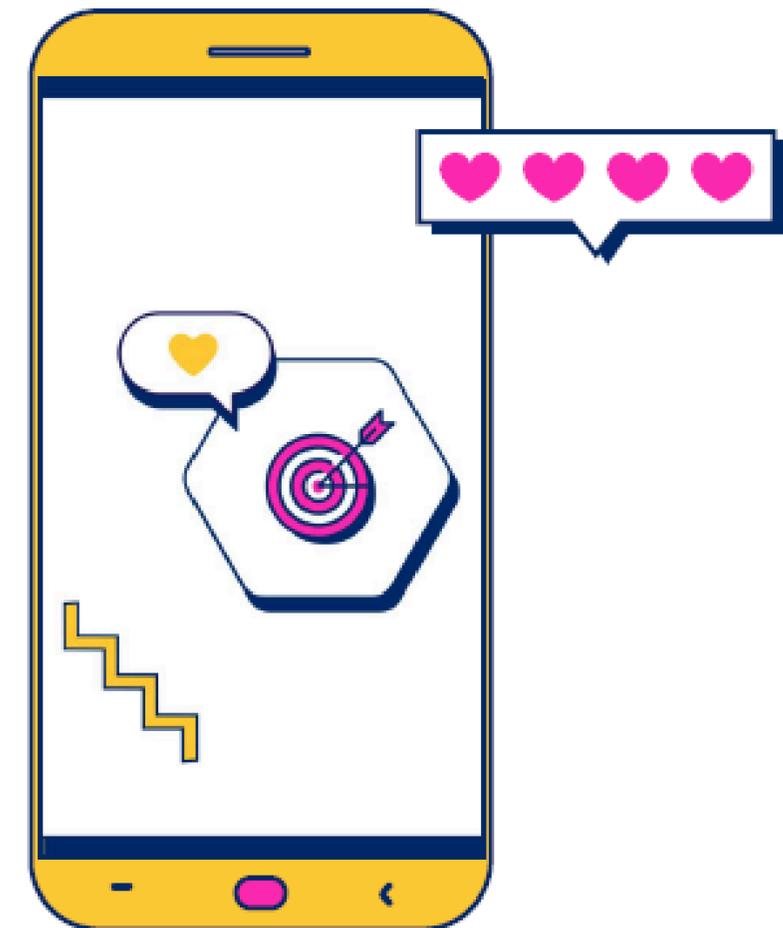
- Reminders
- Upcoming college/career related programs & events
- Resources: Handouts, videos, slides, etc.
- Submit application review pages for feedback
- Submit proof of post-secondary plan & financial aid requirement

## 2 STUDENT SQUARE:

- Reminders
- Upcoming college/career related programs & events

## 3 INSTAGRAM: (@bcchs.college)

- Scholarships
- Reminders
- Upcoming events/activities
- Quick college/career related informational posts



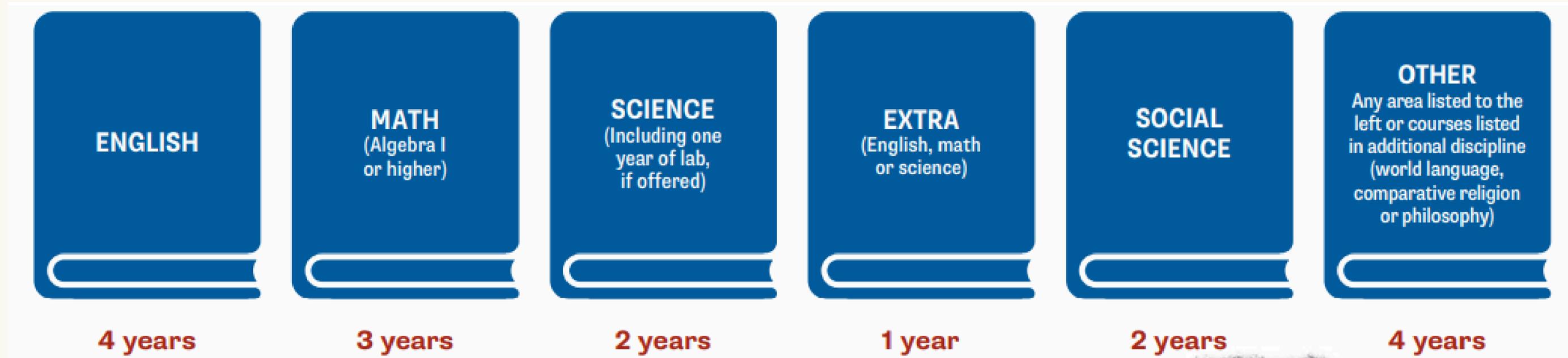
# College & Career Support at Birmingham

- Birmingham has established systems and structures to ensure that students receive the support they need to complete their college and financial aid applications on time.
- Our College & Career Counselors and Academic Counselors regularly share information and guidance on how and where students can access these resources.
- At BCCHS, we emphasize the importance of student responsibility—encouraging students to take initiative, seek assistance when needed, and make use of the resources available to them. Developing these habits of accountability and resourcefulness will serve them well beyond high school.

**NCAA**

**Information**

# NCAA Requirements Division I



- 16 NCAA approved courses
- 4 years to complete course requirement
- 10 courses must be completed by the end of 11<sup>th</sup> grade
  - 7 of the 10 courses must be in English, Math and/or Science
- Earn a minimum GPA of 2.3

***If your students meet A-G at every grade level, they will meet the NCAA requirements***

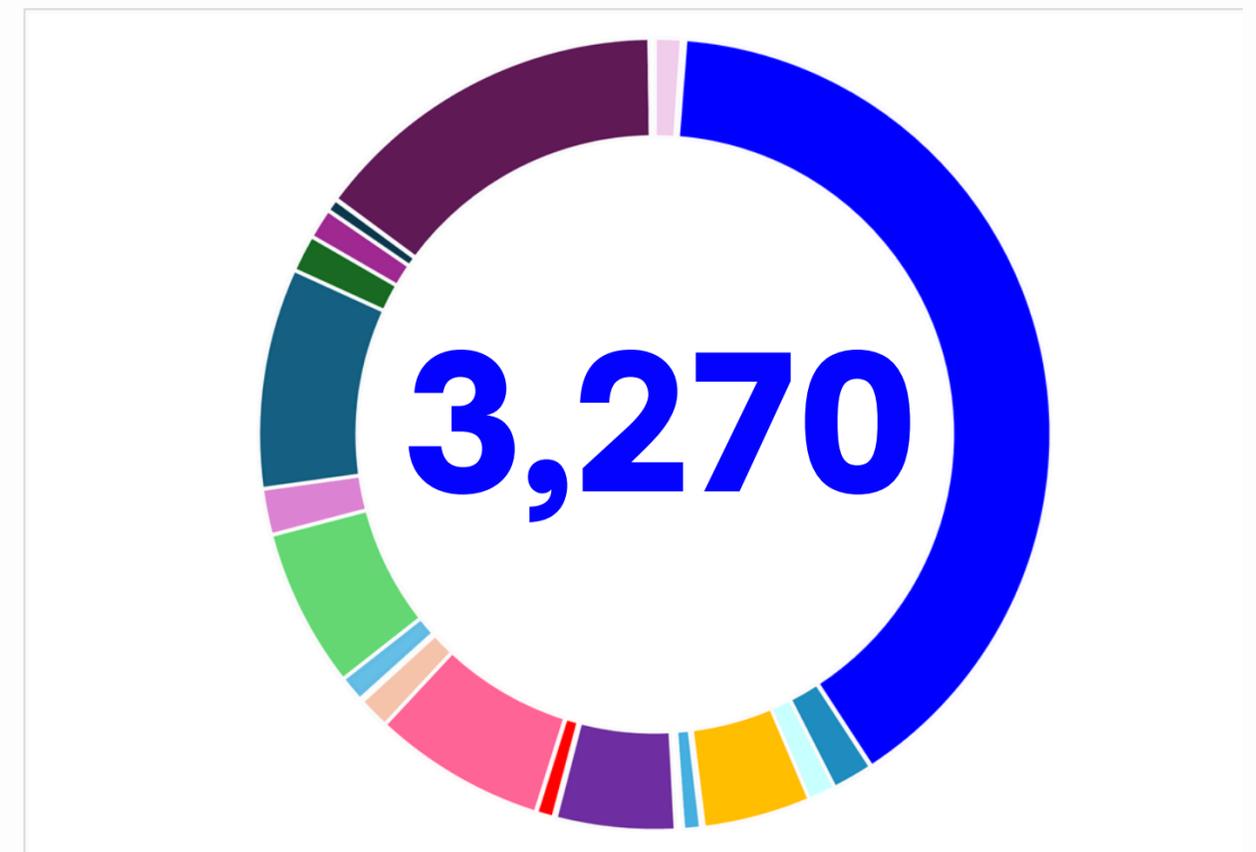
# Enrollment Information

# STUDENT ENROLLMENT



## Student Enrollment

- 3,200 students enrolled on-site
- 70 students enrolled in BVA
- **Approximately 800 students on the waitlist**
- 39% of students reside within BCCHS attendance area
- 61% of students reside outside the attendance area



# LOTTERY STUDENT

STUDENTS THAT LIVE  
OUTSIDE OUR  
ATTENDANCE AREA



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## SUBMIT LOTTERY APPLICATION – **NOW**

- <https://bit.ly/2026bcchslottery>
- **Deadline to submit lottery application - 1/23/2026**
- A **separate** application must be submitted for each sibling wishing to enroll at Birmingham.
- Current BCCHS students do NOT need a lottery application

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## VIRTUAL LOTTERY DRAWING – **FEBRUARY 2, 2026**

- You do not need to be present to receive admission
- Parents will be notified by email of the outcome of the lottery drawing and the status of their student(s) by 2/6/2026
- Priority enrollment is given to students that have siblings in grades 9-11 that are currently attending BCCHS **as long as an application is submitted by the deadline - 1/23/2026**

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## ADMITTED STUDENTS – **ONLINE ENROLLMENT APP**

- Parents of students that are admitted will be required to complete an online enrollment application. Parents must complete the enrollment application process by 4/24/2026
- **Students will lose their seat**, if the online enrollment application is not submitted by the deadline
- **Incoming 9th grade students will be assessed in ELA, Math, and LOTE in April 11 or April 26 (required)**



**Thank you!**  
**Gracias!**

