



BENTONVILLE HIGH SCHOOL 2025-2026 PROFILE

Bentonville High School

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Accreditation

Bentonville High School is accredited by the Arkansas Department of Education.

COMMUNITY

Bentonville High School is located in Bentonville, Arkansas, which has a total population of 61,791. Bentonville is part of Northwest Arkansas (NWA), a metropolitan area including four of the ten largest cities in the state. NWA is in the top 100 most populous metropolitan statistical areas in the United States and is the 13th fastest growing region in the country. We are located 30 miles north of the University of Arkansas and the region is home to the headquarters of Walmart, Tyson Foods, JB Hunt Trucking, and Sam's Club.

SCHOOL

Bentonville High School is one of two high schools in the Bentonville School District. It is the district's original high school and is over 150 years old. The school operates on an A/B block schedule offering four 90-minute periods per day.

CURRICULUM

Bentonville High School is one of only three high schools in Arkansas to offer the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Programme. The high school also offers Advanced Placement (AP) courses on site and college courses through Northwest Arkansas Community College.

Total Student Enrollment: 3,623

Counselors: 11

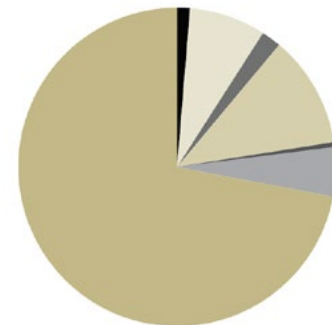
Class of 2026: 831

Student to Counselor Ratio: 329:1

DEMOGRAPHICS

Qualify for Free or Reduced Lunch: 26%

- American Indian or Alaska Native **1.3%**
- Asian **7.8%**
- Black or African American **2%**
- Hispanic/Latino/a/x **11.4%**
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander **.5%**
- Two or More Races **5%**
- White **72%**



POST-SECONDARY PLANS

51%

Four-Year
College
Attendance

13%

Two-Year
College
Attendance

36%

Technical Trade
School/Military
or Work/Other

CLASS OF 2025 HONORS

14 National Merit Finalists

227 AP Scholars

8 AP Capstone
Diplomas

14 National Merit
Semifinalists

104 AP Scholars
with Honor

2 IB Diplomas

21 National Merit
Commended Students

196 AP Scholars
with Distinction

11 Associate
Degrees

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GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

22 credits are required

English	4	Health	.5
Math	4	Communications	.5
Science	3	Visual and Performing Arts	.5
Social Studies	3	Computer Science	1
PE	.5	Electives	5

Note: World language is not required for graduation in the state or the district. Two years is required for Honors and High Honors.

STANDARDIZED TESTING

Composite Score Average for the Class of 2024

ACT* BHS: 23.2 State: 18.5 National: 19.4

*ACT District Testing is offered annually in February.

GPA WEIGHTING

In general, the following types of courses are given additional weight by the state of Arkansas: AP, IB, and college courses. Students must take AP and IB exams in order to get the weight added to their cumulative weighted GPA. **However, determination of weight can change at any point by the state, even during the school year. An unweighted course one year for the graduating cohort could be weighted the following year for the next cohort (but not retroactively applied for students who had already completed the course).**

CLASS RANKING

Class rank is not calculated or reported on transcripts. The school board discontinued the practice on October 21, 2025.

GRADING SYSTEM

Letter Grade	Numerical Grade	Unweighted Classes	State Approved Weighted Classes
A	90-100	4 pts	5 pts
B	80-89	3 pts	4 pts
C	70-79	2 pts	3 pts
D	60-69	1 pt	2 pts
F	0-59	0 pt	0 pts

SPECIALTY PROGRAMS

In addition to Advanced Placement courses and the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme, BHS offers Ignite Professional Studies. It is a Center for Advanced Professional Studies (CAPS) program for students in 11th and 12th grades. Students interview for acceptance into the program. Once admitted, they take college courses and participate in internships and projects for business partners. Ignite is a signature and elite program, respected by area businesses and foundations, providing hands-on education in the medical field, technology, and other industries.

2025-2026 COURSE OFFERINGS

Pre-AP English I-II	Physical Science-Integrated	Media Communications
Pre-AP English I w/ Personal Communication	Biology-Integrated	Advertising & Graphic Design I-III
English III	Pre-AP Biology	Audio / Video Productions I-III
Transitional English IV	Chemistry-Integrated	Audio / Video Productions Lab
ESL English 9-12	Pre-AP Chemistry	Introduction to Business
IB English III-IV SL*	Physics	Digital Marketing
Mythology	Environmental Science	Personal Finance
Creative Writing	Anatomy & Physiology	Retail Management
Journalism I-IV	Zoology	Small Business Operations
Debate I-IV	Astronomy	Supply Chain Logistics I
Forensics I-IV	AP Biology*	Supply Chain Logistics II
Literary Magazine I-III	AP Chemistry*	Financial Planning Wealth Management w/ Economics
Media Literacy	AP Environmental Science*	IB Business Management*
Strategic Reading 9-10	AP Physics I-II*	
Academic Reading 9-12	AP Physics C: Mechanics*	
English Learner Services	IB Physics I-II*	
AP Seminar*	IB Biology I*	
AP Research*	Concurrent Chemistry I-II*	Introduction to Healthcare
AP Language & Composition*		Medical Terminology
AP Literature & Composition*	Spanish I-IV	Abnormal Psychology
Concurrent Credit Composition I-II*	Spanish for Heritage & Native Spk I-II	Anatomy & Physiology
Professional Communication	AP Spanish Language*	Principles of Sports Medicine
Concurrent Credit Oral Comm*	AP Spanish Literature*	Exercise Science
	IB Spanish*	Sports Medicine Injury Assessment
		Emergency Medical Responder
	Chinese I-IV	
	IB Chinese SL*	
		Engineering I
Pre-AP Algebra I	French I-III	Engineering II
Geometry	AP French Language*	Digital Electronics
Pre-AP Geometry	IB French SL*	Engineering Capstone
Statistics		Introduction to Architecture and Civil Engineering
Algebra II	PE	Architecture CAD I-II
Advanced Algebra II	Health	Architecture Lab
Quantitative Reasoning	Aerobics	
Algebra III	Life Fitness & Conditioning	Introduction to Computer Science
Algebra III w/ Concurrent College Alg	Outdoor Pursuits	Information Tech & Security
Technical Math	Athletics	Software Development
Critical Algebra		Robot: Physical Computing with Embedded Systems
Geometry Lab	Visual Art Appreciation	Computer Science Internship*
AP Pre-Calculus*	Visual Art Foundations I-III	Desktop App Development*
AP Calculus AB*	Ceramics I-II	Cybersecurity*
AP Calculus BC*	Sculpture	Robotics: Advanced*
AP Statistics*	Pre-AP Visual Arts	AP Computer Science A*
IB Math App and Interpretations I-II*	AP Drawing*	AP Computer Science Principles*
Concurrent Credit College Algebra*	AP Art History*	Concurrent SWIFT
Concurrent Credit College Finite*	AP 2-D Art and Design *	Computer Programming*
Concurrent Credit College Trig*	AP 3-D Art and Design *	
	IB Visual Arts SL*	
	Concurrent Credit Art Appreciation Online*	
		Introduction to Education
Civics	Theatre Appreciation	Education Technology
Pre-AP World History and Geography	Theatrical Makeup	Child Growth & Development
United States History	Costume Design I	Concurrent Intro to Education, CIED 1053 *
Sociology	Theatre I-IV	Concurrent Child Growth & Development, CHED 2033*
Economics	Technical Theatre I-IV	Concurrent Educational Technology, ETEC 2003*
Economics w/Personal Finance	Pre-AP Theatre	
AP World History*	Theatre Production & Management	
AP United States History*	IB Theatre I-II*	
IB HOTA II*		
AP Government & Politics*	Band I-IV	Food Safety & Nutrition
AP Microeconomics*	Jazz Band I-IV	Nutrition Science I-II
AP Macroeconomics*		Family & Consumer Science
AP Psychology*	Color Guard I-II	Culinary Arts I-II
IB Psychology II*	Orchestra I-IV	
AP Human Geography*	Music Lab I (Guitar)	Unmanned Aerial Systems I-III (UAS)
Concurrent Credit World History*	Choir I-IV	NJROTC I-IV
Concurrent Credit American History *	Music Appreciation	JROTC Drill Team
Concurrent Credit Civics*	Music Theory	JAG I-II, WBL
Concurrent Credit Economics*	AP Music Theory*	
Concurrent Credit Psychology*		
AP European History*	Introduction to Agriculture	
IB World Religions*	Veterinary Science	Ignite Professional Studies Classes
	Foundations in Outdoor Recreation	NWACC Classes - Concurrent Credit*
	CASE Animal Science*	NWTI Classes - Concurrent Credit*
		UAPTC Classes - Concurrent Credit*
		Concurrent Credit - Various*

*Weighted Credit Courses Designated by ADE