



BENTONVILLE WEST HIGH SCHOOL

2026-2027 PROFILE

COMMUNITY

Bentonville West High School is located in Centerton, Arkansas. The total population of Centerton is 27,176. Centerton, formerly known for its farmland, has now developed into a thriving residential community. Centerton is part of the larger region known as Northwest Arkansas (NWA), one of the fastest growing metropolitan areas in the United States. The closest city is Bentonville, which is approximately five miles east. The region is home to the headquarters of Walmart, Tyson Foods, J.B. Hunt, and Sam's Club.

SCHOOL

Bentonville West High School opened its doors in 2016. It is one of two high schools in the Bentonville School District. The school operates on an A/B block schedule offering four 90-minute periods per day.

CURRICULUM

Bentonville West High School offers Advanced Placement (AP) courses on site and college courses through Northwest Arkansas Community College.

Total Student Enrollment: 2,857

Counselors: 10

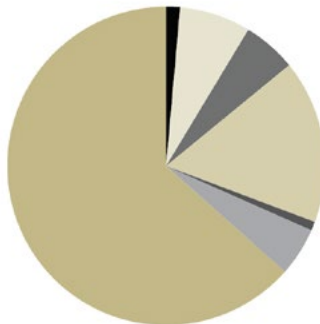
Class of 2026: 654

Student to Counselor Ratio: 286:1

DEMOGRAPHICS

Qualify for Free or Reduced Lunch: **26%**

- American Indian or Alaska Native 1.4%**
- Asian 7.2%**
- Black or African American 5.4%**
- Hispanic/Latino/a/x 16.5%**
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander .9%**
- Two or More Races 4.9%**
- White 63.7%**



POST-SECONDARY PLANS

38%

Four-Year
College
Attendance

18%

Two-Year
College
Attendance

44%

Technical Trade
School/Military
or Work/Other

Bentonville West High School

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Accreditation

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

CLASS OF 2026 HONORS

4 National Merit Finalists

4 National Merit
Semifinalists

7 National Merit
Commended Students

47 AP Scholars

31 AP Scholars
with Honor

63 AP Scholars
with Distinction

7 AP Capstone
Diplomas

7 Associate
Degrees

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COURSE OFFERINGS

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

*Weighted Credit Courses Designated by ADE

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 are required to qualify for Honors and High Honors.

STANDARDIZED TESTING

Composite Score Average for the Class of 2026

ACT* BWHS: 20.4 State: 18.5 National: 19.4

*ACT District Testing is offered annually in February.

GPA WEIGHTING

In general, the AP and college courses are given additional weight by the state of Arkansas. Students must take AP 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, BWHS 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.