



HOME OF THE BOBCATS



Beecher High School

Community Unit School District 200U
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CEEB / ACT Code 140-240

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School Profile 2021-2022

Administration

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Graduation Requirements

English	4.0 Credits
<i>Including 2 years of writing-intensive courses.</i>	
Mathematics	3.0 Credits
<i>Including Algebra I and Geometry.</i>	
Science	3.0 Credits
<i>Including Biology, Chemistry, and Physics.</i>	
Social Studies	3.0 Credits
<i>Including Civics, World History, and U.S. History.</i>	
Physical Education/Health/Driver's Education	4.0 Credits
Consumer Education	0.5 Credits
<i>Including Consumer Mathematics or Economics.</i>	
Electives	6.5 Credits
<i>Including art, music, vocational, or foreign language.</i>	
Total	24.0 Credits

Students must also complete 24 hours of community service and pass the Illinois and U.S. Constitution Tests. BHS offers elective courses in art, business, family and consumer science, foreign language, music, and technology. Many students also participate in dual credit, early college, and independent study programs.

Background

Beecher High School (BHS) is a comprehensive four-year high school serving grades 9-12 in a unit district with Beecher Elementary School and Beecher Junior High School. BHS is partnered with Kankakee Area Career Center, Prairie State College, and the College Board. District 200U educates a village of 4,400 residents comprising 57 square miles. The school calendar is divided into 2 semesters with students attending seven 46-minute academic classes and an advisory period each day. District 200U and BHS are accredited by the Illinois State Board of Education.

Faculty

BHS has 26 teachers, 4 instructional aides and a full time librarian. 70 percent of certified staff have a masters degree or higher. The student-teacher ratio is 14-to-1. 363 students are enrolled for the 2019-2020 school year.

School Enrollment

Seniors	103
Juniors	83
Sophomores	80
<u>Freshmen</u>	<u>94</u>
Total	360

Grading System

BHS uses a 4.333 grading scale with the numerical values below assigned to each letter grade. Pluses and minuses count towards Grade Point Average (GPA).

A =4.0 B=3.0 C=2.0 D=1.0 F=0.0
Honors Courses receive +.5 grade point weight and Advanced Placement (AP) and Prairie State College Courses receive +1.0 grade point weight. GPA is computed using semester grades and determined by averaging all grades received.



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2004, 2007, 2017, 2019 State Softball Champions
2010 State Cross Country Champions
2005, 2006, 2016 Regional Scholastic Bowl Champions
2002, 2013, 2014 Regional Math Team Champions

Testing Profile

Table with 6 columns: Class, ACT/SAT English, ACT/SAT Math, ACT Reading, ACT Science, ACT/SAT Composite. Rows include years from 2014 to 2021* with corresponding scores.

Illinois State Scholars: 62

National Merit Scholars: 2

Advanced Placement

11% of BHS students are enrolled in AP courses. In May of 2020, 39 students took AP Exams. A total of 66 exams were taken in 6 subjects. 61% of the AP Exams received scores of 3 or higher.

- AP Biology
AP Calculus AB
AP English Language & Composition
AP English Literature & Composition
AP Physics
AP United States History
AP Psychology

Postsecondary Plans

Class of 2021

- 48% matriculated to 4-year colleges
27% matriculated to 2-year institutions
25% selected work, military service, trades.

College Destinations

BHS students have enrolled at, among others, the following colleges/universities over the past 10 years. 8 students received full 4-year college scholarships through The Give Something Back Foundation.

- Art Institute of Chicago
Central Michigan University
DePaul University
Eastern Illinois University
Georgetown University
Indiana State University
Loyola University
Northern Illinois University
Prairie State College
University of Illinois
University of Michigan
VanderCook College of Music
Wyoming Technical Institute
Augustana College
Concordia University
Drake University
Elmhurst College
Illinois State University
Joliet Junior College
North Central College
Northwestern University
Purdue University
University of Iowa
University of Wisconsin
Western Michigan

*Starting in 2018, results were on SAT state exam