

2016-2017 School Profile Bennington High School  
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**District Information:** Bennington is an independent suburban school system in North Central Douglas County, outside of the city limits of Omaha, Nebraska. The district is growing rapidly at a rate of 15% per year and serves approximately 2,500 students. It is organized so a student has seven years of Elementary school training, two years of Junior High school training, and four years of High School. Bennington is fully accredited school by the Nebraska Department of Education and the North Central Accreditation of Schools.

**High School:** 60% of Bennington graduates attend 4-year post-secondary institutions and 30% of Bennington graduates attend 2-year/vocational post-secondary institutions. Most students attend colleges within 200 miles of the Bennington area.

**High School Graduation Requirements:** Bennington High School offers both a college preparatory and a general secondary educational program. Classes are offered in Business, English, Family & Consumer Sciences, Fine Arts, Foreign Language, Industrial Arts, Mathematics, Physical Education, Science, and Social Studies. Bennington’s school year is divided into two semesters that allow for a total of 174 instructional days. Bennington operates on an eight period per day schedule, and each period is 46 minutes. Students are required to carry 7 credited subjects per semester. Bennington High School students are required to successfully complete 50 credit hours to graduate. One credit hour is equivalent to one semester per year.

| <u>Department</u>                 | <u>Minimum Required Classes</u>                              | <u>Credits</u> |
|-----------------------------------|--|----------------|
| English                           | English 9, English 10, English 11, English 12                | 8              |
| Math                              | Must include Algebra   | 6              |
| Social Studies                    | World Geography, World History, American History, Government | 8              |
| Science                           | Physical Science, Biology                                    | 6              |
| Physical Ed. & Health             | PE / Health 9,   | 4              |
| Bus Comp App 1 & Personal Finance |  | 2              |
| Electives                         |  | 16             |
|                                   | Totals   | 50             |

| <u>Grading Scale:</u> | <u>Regular Courses</u> | <u>Weighted Courses</u> |   |                      |
|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|---|----------------------|
|                       | A = 4.0 = 100 – 93     | A = 4.5 = 100 – 93      | = | superior achievement |
|                       | B = 3.0 = 92 – 86      | B = 3.5 = 92 – 86       | = | above average        |
|                       | C = 2.0 = 85 – 77      | C = 2.5 = 85 – 77       | = | average              |
|                       | D = 1.0 = 76 – 70      | D = 1.5 = 76 – 70       | = | below average        |
|                       | F = 0.0 = 69 – 0       | F = 0.0 = 69 – 0        | = | failing              |
|                       | P                      |                         | = | passing              |
|                       | NP                     |                         | = | not passing          |

**Class Rank Policy:** Rank in class is determined for grades 9 through 12 by using the above grading scale. A student’s weighted grade point average determines the student’s rank in their class.

**Weighted High School Courses:**

|              |               |                       |                     |               |
|--------------|---------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------|
| AP Calculus  | AP Statistics | AP English/Literature | AP English/Language | AP US History |
| AP Chemistry | AP Biology    | AP French             | AP Spanish          |               |

**Senior/12<sup>th</sup> grade Full Year Courses:**

|                          |                       |                      |                  |                            |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------|----------------------------|
| English 12               | AP English/Literature | Journalism           | Advanced Algebra | Pre-Calculus/ Trigonometry |
| AP Calculus              | Applied Math          | AP Biology           | Chemistry        | AP Chemistry               |
| Human Physiology/Anatomy | Physics               | Science & Technology | Government       | AP Statistics              |
| Psychology               | AP French             | AP Spanish           | Band             | Chorus                     |
| Weight Lifting           | Lifetime Activities   | PE II                | Teacher Cadets   |                            |

**Standardized Testing:** The following standardized testing is available for students at Bennington High School:

10<sup>th</sup> Grade students take the PSAT

11<sup>th</sup> Grade students may take the ASVAB, PSAT, ACT, or SAT;

12<sup>th</sup> Grade students may take the ACT or SAT.

Students are also required to take the State of Nebraska assessments in English, Math, Social Studies, & Science.

| <u>2016 ACT Results:</u> | BHS  | Nebraska | <u>2016 AP Exams:</u>        |  |     |
|--------------------------|------|----------|------------------------------|--|-----|
| English                  | 24.6 | 20.9     | AP Scholars                  |  | 5   |
| Math                     | 23.1 | 20.8     | AP Scholars with Distinction |  | 3   |
| Reading                  | 23.7 | 21.8     | AP Students                  |  | 71  |
| Science                  | 24.1 | 21.5     | AP Exams                     |  | 120 |
| Composite                | 24.0 | 21.4     | % of AP Students 3+          |  | 48% |

78% of the Class of 2016 participated in the ACT examination

**Contact Information:**

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