

# Bloomington High School North

## PROFILE 2017-2018



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### Community

Bloomington – also “home” to Indiana University – is a culturally diverse community that attracts students currently

School North. An hour from Indianapolis, city and county claim a population of over 116,000.

### School

- A public high school serving 1,609 students--grades 9-12
- Ranked 18<sup>th</sup> Best Schools in Indiana by U.S. News and World Report earning a Silver Medal
- A-rating for Monroe County School Corporation by the Department of Education
- 98 teachers averaging over 14 years experience; 64 with advanced degrees
- Block 8 with four 80-minute classes alternating every other day
- College Board School
- Accredited by the Indiana Department of Public Instruction
- Mission: To seek knowledge through inquiry, wisdom through understanding, success through achievement, and purpose through service to others

### Graduation Requirements

To graduate, a student must attend a minimum of seven semesters and earn at least 42 credits as shown below. One credit represents the work completed in one course for one semester, except in basic physical education, which receives one-half credit.

Subject	Credits
English	8
U.S. History	2
Government	1
Economics	1
Social Studies Elective(s)	2
Mathematics	4
Science	4
Health & Safety	1
Physical Education (2 semesters)	1
Additional Electives	17

Students who complete a minimum of 47 credits in specified courses and maintain at least 3.0 average GPA may also earn Indiana’s Academic Honors Diploma – an award noted on diplomas. Forty three percent of the graduating class of 2015 received this diploma.

### Mean SAT Scores for College Bound Seniors

Year	EB Reading & Writing	Math	% of Seniors Tested	
2016-17	599	586	229/56%	
Year	Critical Reading	Math	Writing	% of Seniors Tested
2015-16	549	542	519	218/ 71%
2014-15	544	541	522	234 / 65%
2013-14	558	567	538	225 / 60%

### Advanced Placement Exam Results

Year	% of Students with Score of 3 or Higher	% of 11 <sup>th</sup> & 12 <sup>th</sup> Graders taking at least one AP Exam
2016-17	73%	41%
2015-16	64%	39%
2014-15	58%	33%
2013-14	72%	29%
2012-13	66%	34%

### Class of 2017

- 329 students
- 7 National Merit Finalists, 8 Commended Students, 1 National Hispanic Scholar
- Ten AP Scholars with Honors; Forty Eight AP Scholars; Thirty One AP Scholars with Distinction; Five National AP Scholar
- 85% of the graduates plan to attend college.

### Grading & Class Rank

Bloomington North does not officially rank students for college application purposes. However, grades are calculated on a four-point scale, and all courses, including physical education offerings, are included in the calculation of GPA and class rank (for scholarship, valedictorian, and salutatorian purposes). Beginning first semester 2003-2004, Honors, Advanced Placement and Advanced College Project courses receive weighted grades. Honors courses receive a weight of 0.5. Advanced Placement and Advanced College courses receive a weight of 1.0. Starting in the 2006-2007 school year, all World Language courses at the third year or higher receive a weight of 0.5. Students may repeat courses and use the repeated grade in their GPA; the class being repeated then has an “R” next to the original grade. Other designations on the transcript include: P=Pass; N=Audit; I=Incomplete; W=Withdrew.

### Course Offerings

Students select from over 140 courses, with emphasis on designing academic programs to meet individual needs. Interdisciplinary curricula, independent study, community service, and senior internships draw many students, with approximately 100 students participating in internships with businesses, schools and non-profit organizations. BHSN offers the following accelerated options:

## Honors & Advanced Placement Courses

**English**.....English 9 Honors  
English 10 Honors  
English 11 AP (Language & Composition)  
English 12 AP (Literature & Composition)  
ACP(Advance College Project)W131/L202

**Mathematics** .....Geometry Honors  
Algebra II Honors  
Pre-Calculus Honors  
AP Calculus (AB) ACP M211  
AP Calculus II (BC) ACP M212  
AP Statistics  
ACP Finite Mathematics ACP M118

**Science**.....Earth & Space Science Honors  
Environmental Science AP  
Biology I Honors  
Biology AP  
Chemistry I Honors  
Chemistry AP  
Physics I Honors  
Physics C: AP

**Social Studies**.....Intro to Social Science Honors  
Geography/History of the World Honors  
World History Honors  
U.S. History AP – American Studies  
U.S. Government Honors  
Economics Honors  
Microeconomics AP  
Psychology Honors

## World

**Languages**.....Latin AP      Latin III Honors  
Spanish III, IV Honors  
Japanese AP      Japanese III, IV Honors  
Chinese I, II      French III, IV Honors  
German III, IV Honors

**Fine Arts**.....Music Theory AP, 2D Design Portfolio AP,  
3D Design Portfolio AP  
Symphonic Band Honors, Advanced Jazz  
Ensemble Honors,  
Orchestra Advanced and Honors

Examples of the wide variety of extracurricular opportunities available to students include Academic Decathlon, Academic Super Bowl, National Art Honor Society, United Students, International Cougars, language clubs, Environmental Club, science clubs, Science Olympiad, Student Council, National Honor Society, Habitat for Humanity, and Students Against Violent Events. A full range of athletic team offerings for males and females including golf, soccer, cross country, track, tennis, basketball, swimming, diving, volleyball, football, softball, and baseball, enhance the student educational experience.

## Post-secondary Plans

Eighty nine percent of the Class of 2017 planned to attend college.

Other choices are indicated below:

4-year college.....66%  
2-year college.....19%  
Vocational/technical school.....2%  
Military.....3%  
Other.....107%

Besides state universities and colleges of varying size, graduates from BHSN have also been accepted at Amherst, Brown University, Carleton, Carnegie Mellon, Columbia University, Georgetown, Harvard, Macalester, MIT, Northwestern, Princeton, Smith, Stanford, Swarthmore, UC Berkeley, University of Chicago, Vassar, Wake Forest, Washington University, West Point, Wittenberg, and Yale in recent years.

## Special Honors

During 2016-17, students showcased their talents and abilities throughout the state and nation:

- State champions in Science Olympiad eight out of the last ten years and 10th in Nationals. In 2015, Science Olympiad placed fifth in the state of Indiana.
- Marching Band: ISSMA State Finalist 10 times; Marched in the 1999 Tournament of Roses Parade, 2003 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade, and 2006 and 2012 Philadelphia Thanksgiving Day Parades. This band will march in the 2015 Hollywood Christmas Parade in California. Symphonic Band State Finalist for 29 of the past 31 years. Runner Up in 2012 and Grand Champion at the 2013 National Adjudicators Invitational.
- Advanced Jazz Ensemble: Honor Band at 2015 Purdue, and Berklee and Ball State Jazz Festivals. Top Combo was named Honor Combo at Purdue and Ball State. Advanced Jazz has been invited to perform at the January 2016 Jazz Education Network's International Convention.
- Winter Percussion: IPA State Finalist in 2013-2105.
- Winter Guard: IHSCGA State Finalist 2012-2014
- One Congressional National Contest Winner, 42 Senior Portfolio Exhibitor, 54 contest Winners, 2 Art Scholarship Winners.
- Students co-sponsored and built their sixteenth Habitat House in 16 years and begin building Habitat House 17 in the Fall- the most active chapter in the United States.
- Unified Track-2016 Conference Indiana Co-Champions
- Girls Cross Country-2016 Conference Indiana Champions, IHSA Sectional, Regional, and Semi-State Champions
- Boys Tennis- 2016 Conference Indiana Champions, IHSA Sectional Champions, Regional Champions, Semi-State Champions.
- Girls Tennis-2017 IHSA Sectional Champions
- Boys Track-2017 IHSA Sectional Champions, Regional Champions.
- **Questions?**

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