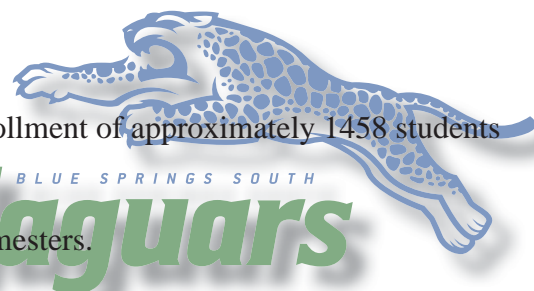


Blue Springs South High School Profile



SCHOOL FACTS

Blue Springs South High School is a public 3-year secondary school with an enrollment of approximately 1458 students in grades 10-12.

Students are enrolled in seven 50 minute periods per class day for each of two semesters.

The faculty consists of 100 certified members. The student teacher ratio averages 21 to 1 for all classes and 25 to 1 for the Core Curriculum Courses. The school district is classified AAA by the Missouri Department of Secondary Education and is a member of the North Central Association. Some BSSHS students participate in the high school alternative school program. Transcripts of those students will indicate Valley View High School credit.

PERSONNEL

Dr. Randy Dowell	Principal
Dr. Charlie Belt	Associate Principal
Mrs. Kirsten Clemons	Assistant Principal
Mrs. Shelley Brown	Assistant Principal
Mr. Mark Bubalo	Activities Director
Mr. Tim Michael	Assistant Activities Director
Mrs. Barb Legate	Counselor
Ms. Mary Kenady	Counselor
Mrs. Danielle O'Donnell	Counselor
Mrs. Lisa Peterson	Counselor
Mrs. Patty Burns	Counseling Secretary
Mrs. Kathy Bartow	Registrar
Mr. Eric Sapp	Instructional Interventionist

SPECIAL CURRICULUM FEATURES

- Weighted/Honors Courses include:
- AP Literature and Composition
 - AP English Language and Composition
 - AP Calculus
 - AP Chemistry
 - AP Biology
 - AP Physics
 - AP Environmental Science
 - AP European History
 - AP United States History
 - AP French
 - AP Spanish
 - AP German
 - AP Computer Science
 - AP American Government
 - AP Music Theory
 - Pre AP Biology
 - Pre AP Chemistry
 - Pre AP Calculus
 - Pre AP Spanish
 - Accounting Principles I
 - Marketing Principles 204/205
 - Business Technology
 - English Comp 110
 - English 214
 - College Statistics
 - College Trig.
 - College Business Calculus
 - College Algebra Prep/College Algebra
 - College Algebra
 - Pilot Ground School
 - American History 101
 - American History 102
 - Forensics IV
 - Debate IV
 - Symphonic Band for Dual Credit
 - Orchestra for Dual Credit
 - A Capella Choir for Dual Credit
 - German III/College I
 - Auto Collision Technology
 - Computer Aided Design
 - Computer Support I
 - Computer Support II
 - Entrepreneurial Studies
 - Automotive Technology I
 - Automotive Technology II
 - Engineering Design & Development
 - IT Essentials I
 - Networking Essentials
 - Network Security

THE COMMUNITY

The Blue Springs School District, located on the eastern edge of the Kansas City metro area in Jackson County, covers a total of 58 square miles and includes students from the communities of Blue Springs, Grain Valley, Independence, Lake Tapawingo and Lee's Summit. Annual enrollment is approximately 14,162 (a 45% increase since 1980). We are one of the fastest growing areas in the state, increasing our student body by 200 each year.

Our mostly middle to upper-middle class community enjoys a stable economy. Within our school district boundaries, we have more than 80,000 residents. Our close proximity to Kansas City allows residents easy access to a variety of social, cultural and educational opportunities.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

	Credit
Language Arts/English	4
Social Studies/History	3
<i>(1/2 unit must be American Government)</i>	
Mathematics	3
<i>(1 credit must be Algebra A or higher)</i>	
Science	3
Practical Arts	1
<i>(Business, Computers, Family and Consumer Science and Industrial Technology)</i>	
Fine Arts	1
<i>(Art, Music, Forensics)</i>	
Physical Education	1
Health	1/2
Personal Finance	1/2
Electives- <i>must include Tech. 1/2 & Comm. 1/2</i>	7
Total Credits	24

BSSHS is an A+ School.

BSSHS offers a student assistance program for the at-risk population.

BSSHS juniors and seniors have the opportunity to enroll in vocational programs offered by the Career and Technology Center, Fort Osage School District, and the Summit Technology Center, Lee's Summit School District.

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GRADING SYSTEM

The Blue Springs R-IV Board of Education has adopted the following policy of percentage earned and grades awarded:

100-97=A+	86-83=B	72-70=C-
96-93=A	82-80=B-	69-67=D+
92-90=A-	79-77=C+	66-63=D
89-87=B+	76-73=C	62-60=D-

Below 60% is recorded as an "F"

Letter Grades

Grade	Regular Points	Honors/AP
A=	4 gr. points	5 gr. points
B=	3 gr. points	4 gr. points
C=	2 gr. points	3 gr. points
D=	1 gr. point	2 gr. points
F	0 gr. Point	0 gr. point

Class rank is based upon the cumulative grade point average for grades 9-12. A student's grade point average is derived by dividing the total number of grade points earned by the number of semester courses attempted.

One full year, one class period consisting of two semesters, is assigned the value of one credit toward the graduation requirements. A one semester course receives one-half credit.

Students are classified by the number of credits they have earned at the beginning of each school year.

9th grade	0-5.5 credits
10th grade	6-10.5 credits
11th grade	11-16.5 credits
12th grade	17 & more credits

ATHLETICS

Baseball	Softball
Basketball-Boys/Girls	Swimming-Boys/Girls
Cross Country-Boys/Girls	Tennis-Boys/Girls
Football	Track-Boys/Girls
Golf-Boys/Girls	Volleyball
Soccer-Boys/Girls	Wrestling

BSSHS is a member of the Greater Kansas City Suburban Big Six Conference.

RECENT COLLEGE ADMISSION TEST SCORES

The graduating class of 2011 ACT average for the students completing the required core curriculum classes is:

	BSSHS	State
English	22.9	21.5
Math	22.1	21.0
Reading	22.6	21.9
Science Reasoning	22.4	21.6
Composite	22.6	21.6

2010 PSAT average scores

	BSSHS	MO
Critical Reading	57.3	51.9
Math	58.0	52.3
Writing	53.8	49.7

SAT average for 2010

	BSSHS	State	National
Critical Reading	640	593	501
Math	607	595	516
Writing	624	580	492

Follow-Up Statistics for District Graduates 2010

4-Year College Bound	50.7%
2-Year College Bound	31.1%
Vocational Training	2.7%
Military Service	2.3%
Work Full Time	11.6%
Other Field or Unknown	1.6%

EOC SCORES

Blue Springs School District participates in the End of Course Assessments with students testing in the core areas during the 9th, 10th and 11th grades.

BSSHS/2010-2011 Percentages State Assessment

	Advanced	Proficient	Basic	Below Basic
10th Comm. Arts	41.1	45.4	10.2	3.3
10th Science	23.3	48.2	22.9	5.7

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Blue Springs South High School provides a wide range of athletics, music, speech and drama activities. There are also many other clubs and other activities students may participate in including:

AFS (American Field Services)	Medical Pre-Professional Club
Animal Rights Club	Meteorology Club
Art Club	Modern Language Club
Bookmarks	Music (Instrumental)
Buddies	Music (Orchestra)
Cheerleading	Music (Vocal)
Chemistry Club	Newspaper
DECA	National Forensic League
Drama Club	National Honor Society
FBLA	Polar Bear Running Club
FCA	Quill and Scroll
FCCLA	SADD
FFA	Scholars Bowl
FTA	Silver Pride
Friends of Rachel	Skills USA
Green Club	South Side Steppers
GSA	Student Senate
Ink Blots	Touch of Silver (Dance Team)
Jaguar Ambassadors	Video Club
Jagwired Robotics	Yoga
Jaws	Young Democrats
Kitty Hawk Air Society	Young Republicans
Math Club	Youth Core