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## 2006-2007 School Profile

### Overview

Founded in 1988, the mission of The Bear Creek School is to provide a classical Christian education in a nurturing environment that will enable each student to become the individual God intends. The Bear Creek School is accredited by the Northwest Association of Schools, Colleges and Universities and the Pacific Northwest Association of Independent Schools. As a member of the Pacific Northwest Association of College Admission Counseling, TBCS complies with the NACAC Statement of Principles and Good Practice.

### Admission Guidelines

A successful academic record with demonstrated diligence, evidence of the potential to make a positive contribution to the school community and a desire to live by Christian standards are important admission considerations. Results from the Independent School Entrance Exam (ISEE), teacher recommendations, and a personal interview are required.

### Enrollment

The total enrollment for the 2006-2007 school year is 667, Kindergarten through Grade Twelve. The Upper School enrollment is 180 students, of whom 43 are seniors.

### Faculty

Thirty faculty teach in the Upper School, with 60% holding academic degrees at the Masters level or above.

### Course Load

The standard course load is seven classes per semester. The average class size is 16.

### Curriculum

The Bear Creek School's curriculum is a rigorous college preparatory program. All students take a balanced and comprehensive core of classes. Students must complete four credits in at least one of the following: world language, math or science.

Graduation Requirements	
English/Rhetoric	4.5
History	4.5
Mathematics	3-5
Science	3-4
Christian Studies/Philosophy	3
World Language	3-4
Physical Education	1.5
Health	0.5
Washington State History	0.5
General Electives	2.0
Fine Arts Electives	0.5
Senior Project	0.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>27.0 credits minimum</b>

### National Merit Recognition (Recognized/Total)

Class of 2004	6/30 students
Class of 2005	3/38 students
Class of 2006	6/24 students
Class of 2007	11/43 students

### Advanced Placement Program

Current seniors have had the opportunity to enroll in Advanced Placement courses offered in Biology, Physics, Chemistry, English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, U.S. History, European History, Music Theory, Calculus A/B and B/C, Statistics, Spanish and Latin.

### AP Summary Statistics 2006

Students Tested	87
Exams Taken	143
% of "3" or higher	87%
% of "4" or higher	57%
% of "5"s	26%

### Class of 2007 Junior year SAT Distribution

Range	CR	M	W
750-800	9	1	5
700-740	2	1	4
650-690	3	5	7
600-640	5	14	6
550-590	8	5	7
500-540	4	5	0
450-490	0	0	2
400-440	1	2	2

*(Sample excludes TBCS students who have taken the TOEFL exam.)*

### Standardized Test Performance

Statistics represent the middle 50% range and mean SAT scores during the junior year for the **Class of 2007**.

	Critical Reading	Math	Writing
Mean Score	640	605	641
Mid-50%	555-750	555-640	580-720

For the Class of 2006, the mid-50% ranged from 580-730 on Critical Reading, from 600-710 on Math, and 570-720 on Writing.

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## Grading Distribution

<u>GPA</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Grade</u>
4.0	100-94	A
3.7	93-90	A-
3.3	89-87	B+
3.0	86-83	B
2.7	82-80	B-
2.3	79-77	C+
2.0	76-73	C
1.7	72-70	C-
1.3	69-67	D+
1.0	66-60	D

## Calculation of GPA

All Upper School grades are based on an A to F, 4.0 scale. Course grades are not weighted. Only grades earned at The Bear Creek School are included in the GPA calculation.

**Ranking Policy-**The Bear Creek School does not rank students but provides the following distribution to highlight the academic strength of the senior class.

## Class of 2007 GPA Distribution

<u>GPA</u>	<u>#Students</u>
4.0	3
3.75-3.99	16
3.50-3.74	11
3.25-3.49	6
3.00-3.24	2
2.75-2.99	2
2.50-2.74	2
2.25-2.49	1
2.00-2.24	0

*(Represents all TBCS courses through the end of the junior year)*

## Academic Honors

Head's List	3.50-4.00
Dean's List	3.00-3.49

## University Bound

As a college preparatory environment, typically 100% of our graduates enroll in domestic or international 4-year colleges or universities.

## Disciplinary Consequences

The Bear Creek School reports all serious breaches of our community's honor code and will report potentially harmful patterns of behavior resulting in suspension or expulsion from the school.

## Community at TBCS

Sharing a core set of values is a critical component of life at TBCS. Students are continually challenged to build upon a framework of high standards within our school community and to impact the world at large.

## Special Programs

Community service is an integral part of our school community and an important opportunity to serve others and follow Jesus' example of servant leadership. All Upper School students complete a minimum of 160 hours of community service by the end of their senior year, spreading their service throughout the school, community and world.

## Senior Project

All seniors are required to develop and present a senior project prior to graduation. Projects are approved by a faculty advisor. Presentations are evaluated by a panel of faculty and administrators.

## Sample of Recent Senior Project Topics

Summit Mount Adams

Equestrian Injury Diagnosis and Treatment

Ironman Triathlon Training

World Vision AIDS Fundraiser

Architectural Design of Art Museum  
"My Life: Discovering Dubo Jung: Life Introspection and Meaning of Cross Generational Family and Social Expectations"

Dental Assistant – Developing World Service

Medical Mission Trip to Peru

Write and Illustrate a children's book in Spanish

## Admissions Acceptance List (\*Matriculated) 2001-2006

Acadia University – Nova Scotia\*  
Azusa Pacific University, CA\*  
Berklee College of Music, MA  
Baylor University, TX  
Biola University, CA\*  
Boston University, MA\*  
California Technical Institute\*  
Central Washington University, WA\*  
Claremont McKenna College, CA\*  
Columbia University, NY\*  
Cornell University, NY\*  
Drexel University, PA\*  
Duke University, NC  
Emory University, GA\*  
George Fox University, OR\*  
Gonzaga University, WA\*  
Johns Hopkins University\*  
Kettering University, MI\*  
Lehigh University, PA\*  
Linfield College, OR\*  
New York University, NY\*  
Northwest Nazarene University, ID\*  
Pacific Lutheran University, WA\*  
Parsons School of Design, NY\*  
Pepperdine University, CA\*  
Pomona College, CA  
Point Loma University, CA\*  
Rollins College, FL\*  
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology, IN\*  
Santa Clara University, CA  
Seattle Pacific University, WA\*  
St. Olaf College, MN\*  
Temple University, PA  
Tulane University, LA\*  
University of Arizona, AZ\*  
University of British Columbia\*  
University of California – Berkeley, CA\*  
University of California-San Diego, CA\*  
University of Chicago, IL  
University of Dallas, TX\*  
University of Michigan-Ann Arbor, MI\*  
University of Pennsylvania, PA\*  
University of Puget Sound, WA\*  
University of Southern California, CA\*  
University of St. Andrews – UK\*  
University of Washington, WA\*  
Virginia Military Institute, VA\*  
Vanderbilt University, TN\*  
Washington & Lee, VA\*  
Western Washington University, WA\*  
Westmont College, CA\*  
Wheaton College – IL\*  
Whitman College, WA  
Whitworth College, WA\*