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**This release is a corrected version of one sent earlier this afternoon. The rankings for Western Tech have been corrected and information about Kenwood High has been added.**

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## **U.S. News & World Report ranks BCPS high schools among best in state and nation**

*Eastern Tech named best high school in Maryland, Western Tech named 8<sup>th</sup> best*

Towson, Md. – Baltimore County’s public high schools placed well in the annual U.S. News & World Report’s Best High Schools list released today, with five placing among the top 30 high schools in the state, 14 among the top 150, three among the state’s top five magnet schools, and four among the nation’s best magnet schools.

Eastern Technical High School and Western School of Technology and Environmental Science led the way for Baltimore County Public Schools, ranking first and eighth respectively among high schools in Maryland and first and fourth respectively among the state’s magnet schools. George Washington Carver Center for Arts and Technology came in 13<sup>th</sup> on the state’s best high school list and fifth among all magnet schools in Maryland. Eastern Tech was ranked 33<sup>rd</sup> on the national list of magnet schools, while Western Tech was ranked 80<sup>th</sup>.

Seven Baltimore County public high schools ranked among the top 60 in Maryland. They are Eastern Tech, Western Tech, Carver Center, Towson High School, Hereford High School, Pikesville High School, and Catonsville High School. Eastern Tech and Western Tech were named the Baltimore Metro region’s top two high schools.

“We are proud, as always, of the achievements of the students and staff of our high schools,” said BCPS Superintendent Dr. Myriam Rogers. “We are especially pleased this year to see so many of our schools

rise in the U.S. News & World Report rankings. We celebrate these results while we continue working to ensure that all our students are learning and growing at schools that are the best in Maryland and the nation.”

The BCPS high schools that received rankings on the U.S. News & World report are:

- **Eastern Technical High – #1 in Maryland, #33 nationally in magnet rankings** (*up from #2 in Maryland, #42 nationally in magnet rankings in 2023*)
- **Western Tech – #8 in Maryland, #80 nationally in magnet rankings** (*up from #11 in Maryland, #87 nationally in magnet rankings in 2023*)
- **Carver Center – #13 in Maryland, #106 nationally in magnet rankings** (*up from #15 in Maryland, #109 nationally in magnet rankings in 2023*)
- **Towson High – #16 in Maryland, #117 nationally in magnet rankings** (*up from #29 in Maryland, #178 nationally in magnet rankings in 2023*)
- **Hereford High – #21 in Maryland** (*ranked #23 in Maryland in 2023*)
- **Pikesville High – #39 in Maryland** (*up from #112 in Maryland in 2023*)
- **Catonsville High – #53 in Maryland** (*up from #122 in Maryland in 2023*)
- **Perry Hall High – #80 in Maryland** (*up from #148 in Maryland in 2023*)
- **Sparrows Point High – #102 in Maryland** (*up from #159 in Maryland in 2023*)
- **Franklin High – #119 in Maryland** (*ranked #107 in Maryland in 2023*)
- **Patapsco High – #126 in Maryland** (*up from being unranked in 2023*)
- **Loch Raven High – #134 in Maryland** (*up from #153 in Maryland in 2023*)
- **Kenwood High -- #136 in Maryland** (*up from being unranked in 2023*)
- **Dulaney High – #143 in Maryland** (*ranked #52 in Maryland in 2023*)
- **Randallstown High – #164 in Maryland** (*up from being unranked in 2023*)
- **Chesapeake High – #170 in Maryland** (*up from being unranked in 2023*)

The U.S. News rankings include data on nearly 25,000 public high schools in 50 states and the District of Columbia. Rankings are based on college readiness (counting for 30 percent of the U.S. News score), state assessment proficiency (20 percent), state assessment performance (20 percent), underserved student performance (10 percent), college curriculum breadth (10 percent), and graduation rate (10 percent). Factored into the rankings were participation and achievement in Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate courses.

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