BH-BL HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELING CENTER Spring 2023 Newsletter



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CLASS OF 2023

WHETHER IT'S COLLEGE, TRAINING, MILITARY, OR WORKFORCE, ALL SENIORS SHOULD HAVE A CLEAR PLAN FOR AFTER HIGH SCHOOL. IF YOU NEED HELP FORMALIZING OR FINALIZING YOUR PLAN, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR COUNSELOR.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU WHO HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED TO COLLEGE! BE SURE TO NOTIFY YOUR COUNSELOR OF ALL ADMISSION DECISIONS.

CHECK THE GOOGLE CLASSROOM AND WEBSITE FOR INFORMATION ON COMPLETING YOUR SENIOR

DESTINATION SURVEY, SENDING FINAL HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPTS, AND REQUESTING COLLEGE

TRANSCRIPTS FOR COLLEGE COURSES COMPLETED IN HIGH SCHOOL.

SCHOLARSHIPS ARE POSTED ON THE GOOGLE
CLASSROOM AND ON THE WEBSITE. PLEASE REVIEW
CRITERIA AND BE SURE TO APPLY. YOU DON'T WANT
TO MISS OUT ON MONEY FOR COLLEGE!

CLASS OF 2024

All juniors should have met with their counselor to select courses for senior year and develop a plan for after high school. Classes should be challenging but also balanced with the rest of life - activities, sports, work, and time for family and friends.

11TH GRADE TO DO:

- Check BHBL Website, Naviance, and the Class of 2024 Google Classroom. There are videos, presentations, and documents provided to help create a plan for after high school.
- Focus on keeping grades strong through the end of the year. Forty percent of grades are still to be determined in full year classes!

4 YEAR COLLEGE BOUND? CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

- Take the SAT/ACTs. Note: Many colleges continue to be test optional. Check the testing requirements for the colleges you are interested in applying to.
- Write a college essay rough draft this summer.
- Use Naviance to search for colleges, careers & maiors.
- Go on college visits and meet with admission reps.
- Review College Info Night presentation
- Contact your child's counselor with questions!



There are multiple paths you can take after you finish high school. Some students will choose to attend college while others are excited to become part of the workforce. There are many jobs, with great pay and benefits, that don't require a college degree. Scan the QR codes for more information!





COUNSELING CENTER GOOGLE CLASSROOMS



Each class, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026, has a Counseling Center Google Classroom. All students have been invited to join. Class specific information is posted throughout the year including career exploration, the college process, summer programs, scholarships, and more. Be sure to have your child add you as a parent/guardian so you can opt to receive daily or weekly updates.

CLASSES OF 2025 & 2026

High School Counselors have completed annual progress reviews and academic planning meetings for the 2023-2024 school year! Please review your child's course requests on eSchool and notify your child's counselor with any errors or changes.

Please confirm that your child is scheduled for the following:

- English, Social Studies, Math, Science, & Physical Education
- Most students will also continue with a World Language
- Course requests are not guaranteed due to possible course cancellations, conflicts, and/or section limits.
- Read the *Curriculum Guide* and review the electives your child has selected. Graduation and diploma requirements are on page 14. Use the planner on page 15 to create a tentative four year plan.



- Naviance is a website for BHBL students and their families to explore careers and develop a plan for after high school. Students can take a Career Interest Profiler, Strengths Explorer, watch Road Trip Nation videos, and much more. Families can explore employment trends, job growth, wages by state and learn about skills, education, and training needed for specific careers.
- Log in to Naviance using your Clever Portal. See your counselor if you have difficulty.







Summer is a great time to rest, relax, and recharge - make sure you take some time to do just that!

You can also use the summer months to volunteer and complete community service hours for your resume and for certain honor societies.

Many students plan to get a summer job, so stop in or call the Counseling Center to inquire about working papers. Applications are also available online.

Visit bhbl.org for details.

Careers!

What do you want to be when you grow up? Does this sounds familiar? It may be too early to decide on a career but it's never too early to start learning about what's out there!



- Use Naviance to explore careers
- Talk to adults in your life about their jobs and
- how they got there
- Visit a college website to learn more about academic programs
- Are there any industries you are interested in?
- Do research to find out what you need to do to get a job in that field.



ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

- www.bls.gov/ooh
- dol.ny.gov
- www.careerzone.ny.gov
- www.careeronestop.org

