THE BRIDGE TO BRIARCLIFF HIGH SCHOOL





A 9th Grade Parent and Student Guide to High School

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COUNSELING AT BRIARCLIFF HIGH SCHOOL

THE PURPOSE OF THE BRIDGE TO BRIARCLIFF HIGH SCHOOL: A 9TH GRADE PARENT AND STUDENT GUIDE TO HIGH SCHOOL, IS TO DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE OVERVIEW OF THE SERVICES PROVIDED. THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IS MOST ACCURATE AT THE TIME OF PREPARATION. IN AN ATTEMPT TO RESPOND TO THE CURRENT NEEDS OF YOUNG PEOPLE, CHANGES DO OCCUR AND MAY ON OCCASION INFLUENCE THE ACCURACY OF THIS INFORMATION.

WE RECOGNIZE THE SIGNIFICANCE AND VITAL ROLE OF PARENTS IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND DECISION-MAKING OF THEIR SONS AND DAUGHTERS. IT IS OUR WISH THAT WE, COUNSELORS, WORK TOGETHER WITH PARENTS SO THAT OUR YOUNG PEOPLE MAY FIND THEIR YEARS AS SUCCESSFUL, GROWTH PRODUCING, AND AS MEMORABLE AS POSSIBLE.

Upon entering ninth grade, students are assigned a school counselor who will work with them throughout their 4 years at Briarcliff High School. The counselors are interested in helping students individualize their school experience so they are best able to maximize their potential. Our program attempts to help students better understand themselves, their values, and their goals as well as their environment and the people that affect them.

THE EMPHASIS OF THE COUNSELORS IS BOTH INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP COUNSELING. THOUGH DEPENDENT UPON THE INDIVIDUAL AND ALWAYS DIFFICULT TO RESPONSIBLY EVALUATE, THE BEST MEASUREMENT OF COUNSELING SUCCESS IS THE ABILITY OF AN INDIVIDUAL TO BE ON THEIR OWN.

PREPARING FOR HIGH SCHOOL



HIGH SCHOOL MAY FEEL OVERWHELMING AND COMPLICATED AT TIMES, BUT THERE ARE SOME SIMPLE THINGS THAT YOU CAN DO TO BE SUCCESSFUL.

TIME MANAGEMENT- THIS IS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT SKILLS THAT YOU WILL NEED TO DEVELOP AS A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT. YOU WILL HAVE MANY DIFFERENT ASSIGNMENTS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES EITHER DURING OR AFTER THE SCHOOL DAY. IT IS IMPORTANT TO MANAGE YOUR TIME WISELY BECAUSE THESE RESPONSIBILITIES CAN PILE UP QUICKLY.

ORGANIZATION- Staying organized is just as important as time management. As the number of assignments and tests increase, it is important to have a system to keep all this information organized. Binders and folders, preferably one for each subject, are good ways to keep track of assignments

BE ASSERTIVE- ASK QUESTIONS. IF YOU DO NOT KNOW THE ANSWER TO SOMETHING OR NEED HELP, ASK AN ADULT. THERE ARE MANY PEOPLE AT THE HIGH SCHOOL WHO CAN HELP; TEACHERS, COUNSELORS, AND THE ADMINISTRATION.

LIST OF PEOPLE TO ASK FOR HELP



TEACHERS

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

DR. HELTZEL
MR. MURANELLI
MRS. RYAN
MRS. SAFER
MRS. BLUM- SECRETARY

ADDITIONAL SERVICES

MRS. BLANK- SOCIAL WORKER
MR. PELLEGRIN- SOCIAL WORKER
DR. BROWN- SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST
MRS. RUBINO- STUDENT ASSISTANCE COUNSELOR
MRS. GITELSON- NURSE

ADMINISTRATION

MRS. FRENCH- PRINCIPAL
MR. MURPHY- ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

YOUR 4 YEAR PLAN



WHAT IS THE 4 YEAR PLAN?

THE 4 YEAR PLAN HAS 2 COMPONENTS: **COURSE CHECKLIST**, WHICH MONITORS THE COMPLETION OF GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS (*SEE PAGE 13 FOR EXAMPLE*), AND THE **COURSE ROADMAP**, WHICH DISPLAYS THE COURSE OPTIONS FOR EACH YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL (*SEE PAGE 14 FOR EXAMPLE*).

WHEN DO WE CREATE YOUR 4 YEAR PLAN?

In order to create a student's 4 Year Plan, each 9^{th} grade student will have an individual meeting with his/her counselor. These meetings are scheduled during study hall periods beginning in October and continue through December.

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE 4 YEAR PLAN?

THE MAIN OBJECTIVE OF THE 4 YEAR PLAN IS TO GIVE VITAL INFORMATION REGARDING YOUR ACADEMIC PLANNING. AS YOU MOVE FROM GRADE TO GRADE YOU WILL NEED TO MAKE DECISIONS AND THE 4 YEAR PLAN IS DESIGNED TO GIVE YOU THE TOOLS TO MAKE INFORMED DECISIONS.

WHAT IS DONE WITH THE INFORMATION AFTER THE MEETING?

THE 4 YEAR PLAN FOLLOWS YOU THROUGHOUT HIGH SCHOOL. YOU WILL HAVE A MEETING EVERY YEAR WITH YOUR COUNSELOR AND THE 4 YEAR PLAN IS UPDATED ACCORDINGLY. THIS DOCUMENT IS AVAILABLE FOR YOU TO VIEW AT ANY TIME THROUGH FAMILY CONNECTION.

NYS GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

(SUBJECT TO CHANGE BASED ON NEW YORK STATE BOARD OF REGENTS APPROVAL)

REGENTS DIPLOMA ADVANCED REGENTS DIPLOMA

REQUIRED COURSES		REQUIRED COURSES			
ENGLISH	4	ENGLISH	4		
SOCIAL STUDIES	4	SOCIAL STUDIES	4		
MATH**	3	MATH	3		
Science**	3	SCIENCE	3		
(a) Foreign Language*	1	Foreign Language	3		
ART/MUSIC	1	ART/MUSIC	1		
HEALTH	0.5	HEALTH	0.5		
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	2	PHYSICAL	2		
		EDUCATION			
ELECTIVES	3.5	ELECTIVES	1.5		
COMMUNITY SERVICE	1	COMMUNITY SERVICE	1		
	23.0		23.0		
Required Exams		REQUIRED EX	XAMS		
(Passing Score of 65 ani	O ABOVE)	(Passing Score of 6	5 and above)		
English Language A	RTS	English Langu	AGE ARTS		
Algebra I		Algebra I			
		Geometry			
		Algebra II			
GLOBAL HISTORY REGI	ents	Global History Regents			
U.S. HISTORY REGEN	TS	U.S. HISTORY REGENTS			
LIVING ENVIRONMENT (BIOLOGY)		One Living Environment			
Regents		(BIOLOGY) REGENTS			
			One Physical Setting (Earth		
		Science, Chemistry, Physics)			
		Regents			

^{*}STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE COMPLETED ONE UNIT OF CREDIT IN A FOREIGN LANGUAGE BY THE END OF THEIR FRESHMAN YEAR OR PASS THE NEW YORK STATE PROFICIENCY EXAM.

THE STATE LEARNING STANDARDS IN TECHNOLOGY MAY BE MET EITHER THROUGH A COURSE IN TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION OR THROUGH AN INTEGRATED COURSE COMBINING TECHNOLOGY WITH MATHEMATICS AND/OR SCIENCE. A COMMENCEMENT-LEVEL COURSE IN TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION MAY BE USED AS THE THIRD UNIT OF CREDIT IN SCIENCE OR MATHEMATICS BUT NOT BOTH.

^{**}AN INTEGRATED COURSE IN MATHEMATICS/SCIENCE/TECHNOLOGY MAY BE USED AS THE THIRD REQUIRED UNIT OF CREDIT IN MATHEMATICS OR SCIENCE.

⁽A) STUDENTS ACQUIRING 5 UNITS OF CREDIT IN ART, MUSIC, BUSINESS, TECHNOLOGY OR VOCATIONAL EDUCATION MAY BE EXEMPT FROM THE LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH REQUIREMENT.

GRADE WEIGHTING

Some students take courses that carry more "weight" than others, which can boost their GPA. Most colleges will consider both your weighted and unweighted GPA. BHS only reports the unweighted GPA.

WITH NO RANK SHOWN ON THE TRANSCRIPT, THE BOARD OF EDUCATION HAS AUTHORIZED THE CALCULATION OF A WEIGHTED GPA TO INDICATE THE RIGOR OF A STUDENT'S COURSE HISTORY. FOR THE WEIGHTED GPA, THE FINAL GRADE IS MULTIPLIED BY THE FOLLOWING WEIGHTS:

ADVANCED PLACEMENT/BHS CO-ENROLLMENT UNIVERSITY COURSES	1.10
BHS HONORS	1.05
Regents/Standard	1.00

*Please note: Only BHS co-enrollment university courses can be calculated in a student's GPA.

ADVANCED REGENTS DIPLOMA

THE ADVANCED REGENTS DIPLOMA REQUIRES STUDENTS TO COMPLETE ALL OF THE REGENTS DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS **PLUS 3 ADDITIONAL REGENTS EXAMS**:

- 2 IN MATH- GEOMETRY AND ALGEBRA II
- 1 IN SCIENCE- ONE EXAM MUST BE A LIVING ENVIRONMENT (BIOLOGY) AND ONE MUST BE A PHYSICAL SETTING SCIENCE (EARTH SCIENCE, CHEMISTRY, OR PHYSICS).
- STUDENTS MUST ALSO COMPLETE 2 ADDITIONAL YEARS IN A WORLD LANGUAGE-SPANISH, FRENCH, OR LATIN. MUST BE A 3 YEAR SEQUENCE IN THE SAME LANGUAGE. TO VIEW ALL NYS DIPLOMA OPTIONS, PLEASE REFER TO PAGES 9-12.

BRIARCLIFF MANOR DIPLOMA WITH DISTINCTION

DEVELOPED BY THE BHS COMPACT COMMITTEE, THE BRIARCLIFF MANOR DIPLOMA WITH DISTINCTION IS AN INCENTIVE FOR STUDENTS TO DEVELOP AN AREA OF EDUCATIONAL INTEREST AND MAXIMIZE THEIR DESIRE TO LEARN IN A MORE SELF-DIRECTED FASHION. FOR EXAMPLES, PLEASE VISIT THE COUNSELING WEBPAGE. THERE ARE THREE COMPONENTS TO THIS TYPE OF DIPLOMA:

- COMPLETION OF THE NEW YORK STATE DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS WITH FIVE CREDITS IN ONE OF THE FOLLOWING CONTENT AREAS: THE ARTS, ENGLISH, HEALTH & FITNESS, MATHEMATICS, SCIENCE, SOCIAL STUDIES, OR WORLD LANGUAGES. (EXCEPTION: VISUAL ARTS REQUIRES FOUR COURSE CREDITS AND HEALTH AND FITNESS REQUIRES THREE COURSE CREDITS.)
- CO-CURRICULAR AND/OR ATHLETIC MEMBERSHIP: STUDENT MUST DEMONSTRATE ACTIVE PARTICIPATION IN ACTIVITIES RELATED TO THE CONTENT AREA. LEADERSHIP ROLES ARE ENCOURAGED.
- COMMUNITY SERVICE AND/OR SENIOR INTERNSHIP WITHIN THE STUDENT'S INDICATED AREA OF CONCENTRATION IF POSSIBLE.

Regents Diploma Examination and Credit Requirements

New York State Education Department—Updated June, 2013

Freshmen Year	1. Biology Regents	23 Credits
	2. Algebra I Regents	_ 4 English Language
Sophomore Year	 Global History and Geography Regents (Exam content covers freshmen and sophomore year material. Be sure to keep your Global I notes 	Arts - 4 Social Studies - 3 Science - 3 Mathematics - 1 World Language - 1 Visual Art/
Junior Year	from freshmen year!) 4. English Language Arts Regents 5. U.S. History and Government Regents	Performing Art - 2 Physical Education - 0.50 Health - 3.50 Electives - 1 Community Service

To receive a Regents Diploma **with Honors**, the computed average of the 5 Regents exams listed above must be 90.0 or better. Averages below 90.0 percent shall not be rounded upwards to 90 percent.

Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation Examination and Credit Requirements

New York State Education Department—Updated June, 2013

Freshmen Year	1. Biology Regents	23 Credits
	2. Algebra I Regents	 4 English Language
Sophomore Year Junior Year	3. Global History and Geography Regents (Exam content covers freshmen and sophomore year material. Be sure to keep your Global I notes from freshmen year!) 4. Geometry Regents 5. Earth Science Regents or Chemistry Regents 6. English Language Arts Regents 7. U.S. History and	 4 English Language
	Government Regents 8. Algebra II Regents	Service

To receive a Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation with Honors, the computed average of the 8 Regents exams listed above must be 90.0 or better. Averages below 90.0 percent shall not be rounded upwards to 90 percent.

Regents Diploma <u>with Advanced Designation</u> <u>with Mastery in Math</u>

Examination and Credit Requirements

New York State Education Department—Updated June, 2013

Freshmen Year	1. Biology Regents	23 Credits	
	2. Algebra I Regents		
Sophomore Year	3. Global History and	4 English LanguageArts	
	Geography Regents (Exam content covers	4 Social Studies3 Science	
	freshmen and sophomore year material. Be sure to	 3 Mathematics 	
	keep your Global I notes	3 year sequence in World Language	
	from freshmen year!) 4. Geometry Regents	a World Language – 1 Visual Art/	
	5. Earth Science Regents or	Performing Art	
	Chemistry Regents	– 2 Physical	
Junior Year	6. English Language Arts	Education	
	Regents	 0.50 Health 	
	7. U.S. History and	1.50 Electives	
	Government Regents	1 Community	
	8. Algebra II Regents	Service	

To receive a Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation with Mastery in Math, the score on each of the 3 Regents exams in Mathematics must be 85 or better.

Regents Diploma <u>with Advanced Designation</u> <u>with Mastery in Science</u>

Examination and Credit Requirements

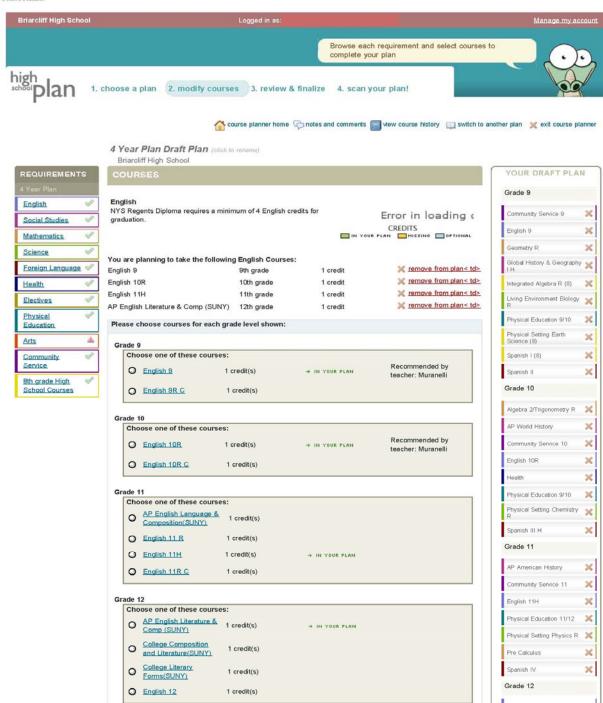
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Junior Year	Chemistry Regents 6. English Language Arts Regents 7. U.S. History and Government Regents 8. Algebra II Regents 9. Chemistry Regents or Physics Regents	 Education 0.50 Health 1.50 Electives 1 Community Service

To receive a Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation with Mastery in Science, the score on each of the 3 Regents exams in Science must be 85 or better.

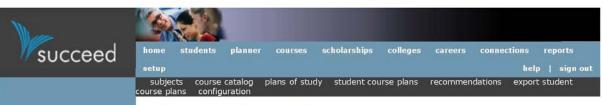
4 Year Plan

Course Planner



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Course Planner



COURSE PLANNER: STUDENT COURSE PLANS

Student Plan Details

Student:

Student Plan Name: 4 Year Plan Draft Plan

Plan Of Study: 4 Year Plan

Current Status: In Progress

School Approval: Parent Approval: -

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Grade 9

Course	Requirement	Credits Planned
Community Service 9	Community Service	0.25
English 9	English	1
Foundations in Studio in Art/Studio 2	Arts	1
Global History & Geography I R	Social Studies	1
Integrated Algebra R	Mathematics	1
Living Environment Biology R	Science	1
Physical Education 9/10	Physical Education	0.5
Physical Setting Earth Science (8)	8th grade High School Courses	1
Spanish I (8)	Foreign Language	1
Spanish II	Foreign Language	1

Grade 10

Course	Requirement	Credits Planned
Community Service 10	Community Service	0.25
English 10R	English	1
Geometry R	Mathematics	H
Global History & Geography II H	Social Studies	1

ALERTS

 No Alerts found for this course plan.

RECENT COMMENTS

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ACHIEVEMENT



ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

STUDENT'S THAT ACHIEVE A CERTAIN AVERAGE ARE ELIGIBLE FOR HIGH HONOR ROLL OR MERIT ROLL.

HIGH HONOR ROLL

90-105 OVERALL GRADE POINT AVERAGE

MERIT ROLL

80-89.99 OVERALL GRADE POINT AVERAGE

DISTINGUISHED STUDENT OF THE MONTH

EACH MONTH, TEACHERS WILL NOMINATE A STUDENT FROM EACH GRADE FOR THE BHS DISTINGUISHED STUDENT AWARD. ONE STUDENT PER GRADE LEVEL WILL BE SELECTED AND ANNOUNCED DURING THE FIRST WEEK OF EACH MONTH. THE DISTINGUISHED STUDENT WILL RECEIVE A BHS BEAR AWARD AND A LETTER FROM MRS. FRENCH AS TO THE REASON FOR THE HONOR. A PHOTO WILL BE DISPLAYED IN THE HIGH SCHOOL LOBBY AND POSTED ON THE HIGH SCHOOL'S HOMEPAGE. THIS AWARD IS BASED ON A RECOMMENDATION WITH SPECIFIC EXAMPLES: OUTSTANDING SCHOOL SPIRIT, ACADEMIC IMPROVEMENT, CREATIVE WORK, SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION/ACHIEVEMENT TO A CLUB, SPORT, ACTIVITY, LEADERSHIP IN COMMUNITY OR SCHOOL SERVICE, OVERCOMING AN ADVERSITY OR OBSTACLE, A KIND GESTURE OF ACT.

EXTRA HELP



TEACHERS

BHS TEACHERS ARE AVAILABLE FOR EXTRA HELP IN MOST CASES FROM 2:20 TO 3:00 IN THEIR OFFICES OR CLASSROOMS. TEACHERS POST EXTRA HELP HOURS ON THEIR BLACKBOARD WEBSITE.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY (NHS) TUTORS

NHS tutors are 11^{th} and 12^{th} grade students who offer free tutoring services to any BHS student during the school day or after school (schedule permitting).

MATH LAB

MATH LAB, FACILITATED BY A CERTIFIED MATH TEACHER, IS AN INDIVIDUAL OR SMALL GROUP MATH HELP SESSION OFFERED DURING THE SCHOOL DAY. MATH LAB CAN BE ASSIGNED TO A STUDENT OR BE UTILITIZED ON AN AS NEEDED BASIS TO ASSESS STUDENTS NEEDING HELP IN MATH COURSES OR FOR REVIEW.

WRITING LAB

WRITING LAB, FACILITATED BY A CERTIFIED ENGLISH TEACHER, IS AN INDIVIDUAL OR SMALL GROUP ENGLISH WRITING SESSION OFFERED EVERY PERIOD OF THE SCHOOL DAY. ITS MAIN FUNCTION IS TO ASSIST STUDENTS WHO MAY NEED HELP WITH ENGLISH WORK, ON ESSAY REVIEW, OR WRITING SKILL ENFORCEMENT. THE WRITING LAB CAN BE ASSIGNED TO A STUDENT OR BE UTILITIZED ON AN AS NEEDED BASIS.

CLEAR (COLLABORATION, LUNCH, EXTRA HELP, ACADEMIC SUPPORT, AND RECREATION)

ALL STUDENTS HAVE A 30-MINUTE CLEAR PERIOD BUILT INTO THEIR SCHEDULE TO PROVIDE THEM WITH A DESIGNATED FREE TIME TO ACCESS THESE RESOURCES. STUDENTS MAY ALSO STUDY/WORK QUIETLY IN THE MARESCA AND LIBRARY DURING THIS TIME.

WHAT COURSES SHOULD I TAKE?



TEACHER RECOMMENDATIONS

TEACHERS MAKE COURSE RECOMMENDATIONS, WHICH ARE BASED ON THE PREREQUISITE GUIDELINES, LOCATED IN THE QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE OR COURSE DESCRIPTION GUIDE (BOTH LOCATED ON THE BHS WEBSITE UNDER "COUNSELING/GUIDANCE CENTER" > "COURSE SELECTION"). THESE RECOMMENDATIONS ARE POSTED ON THE PARENT PORTAL IN FEBRUARY. THESE SUGGESTED PLACEMENTS ARE BASED ON THE STUDENT'S GRADES, CLASSROOM PERFORMANCE, AND PREREQUISITE COURSES. A STUDENT MAY CONSULT WITH HIS/HER COUNSELOR REGARDING QUESTIONS ON COURSE PLACEMENT.

COURSE DESCRIPTION GUIDE

THE COURSE DESCRIPTION GUIDE CONTAINS COURSES OFFERED FOR THE FOLLOWING SCHOOL YEAR, GIVEN SUFFICIENT ENROLLMENT AND FACULTY AVAILABILITY. IT PROVIDES A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EACH COURSE AS WELL AS PREREQUISITES FOR ENTRY INTO THE COURSE. THIS BOOK IS ALSO VERY HELPFUL IN SELECTING ELECTIVE CLASSES. IT IS AVAILABLE IN THE GUIDANCE OFFICE OR ON THE BHS COUNSELING/GUIDANCE CENTER WEBSITE.

MEETING WITH YOUR COUNSELOR

THE FIRST STEP IN CHOOSING COURSES IS TO DISCUSS YOUR COURSE RECOMMENDATIONS WITH YOUR PARENTS. AFTER SPEAKING WITH YOUR PARENTS, CONFER WITH YOUR TEACHERS AND COUNSELOR REGARDING SELECTION AND PLACEMENT. CHOOSING THE APPROPRIATE COURSES CAN BE OVERWHELMING, BUT COUNSELORS AND TEACHERS ARE AVAILABLE TO HELP YOU. SPEAK TO YOUR TEACHER OR STOP BY THE COUNSELING OFFICE TO SET UP A MEETING.

CRITERIA REVIEW PROCESS

This process is for students that were not recommended for a particular class and would like an opportunity to be considered for placement in the course for a 5 week trial period. This is an application process and each student must complete it in full. Students should speak with their counselor to discuss the process and complete an applications.

ROAD TRIP NATION

BRIARCLIFF HIGH SCHOOL ELECTS TO ADMINISTER THE *CLUSTER FINDER SURVEY* AND *ROAD TRIP* NATION, BOTH OF WHICH ARE OFFERED THROUGH FAMILY CONNECTION, OUR ONLINE PROGRAM, DURING SOPHOMORE YEAR.

THE SURVEY IS A TOOL THAT MEASURES INTERESTS, NOT SKILLS OR ABILITIES. THE RESULTS CAN HELP GUIDE YOU TOWARD REWARDING CAREERS, WORK ACTIVITIES, EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS, AND LEISURE ACTIVITIES – ALL BASED ON YOUR INTERESTS. REMEMBER THAT MANAGING YOUR CAREER IS NOT A ONE-TIME DECISION. BUT A SERIES OF DECISIONS MADE OVER YOUR LIFETIME.



NYS REGENTS EXAMINATIONS

WHAT ARE THEY? REGENTS EXAMINATIONS ARE COMPREHENSIVE FINAL EXAMINATIONS THAT GAUGE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT IN PARTICULAR STATE MANDATED SECONDARY SCHOOL COURSES. REGENTS EXAMS ARE ADMINISTERED AT BHS IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS OF STUDY: ENGLISH, GLOBAL HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY, US HISTORY AND GOVERNMENT, ALGEBRA I, GEOMETRY, ALGEBRA II, BIOLOGY, EARTH SCIENCE, CHEMISTRY, AND PHYSICS.

WHO TAKES THEM? STUDENTS ENROLLED IN CLASSES THAT HAVE A CORRESPONDING REGENTS MUST SIT FOR THE EXAMS. STUDENTS MAY ALSO RETAKE A REGENTS EXAM IF THEY WISH TO IMPROVE THEIR SCORE. STUDENTS WHO WISH TO RETAKE EXAMS MAY DO SO, IN AUGUST OR JANUARY, IF OFFERED. THE CALCULATION OF A STUDENT'S FINAL GRADE WILL INCLUDE ALL ASSIGNMENTS AND EXAMINATIONS DEEMED APPROPRIATE BY THE CLASSROOM TEACHER AND ASSIGNED WHILE A STUDENT IS ENROLLED IN THE COURSE. STUDENTS WHO RETAKE A REGENTS EXAMINATION MAY DO SO AND HAVE THE HIGHER EXAM GRADE REFLECTED ON THEIR TRANSCRIPT. HOWEVER, THE SCORE ON THIS EXAM WILL HAVE NO BEARING ON THE FINAL GRADE RECEIVED FROM THE CLASSROOM TEACHER OF THE CORRESPONDING COURSE.

WHEN DO I TAKE THEM? MOST STUDENTS TAKE REGENTS EXAMS IN JUNE, HOWEVER, REGENTS EXAMS CAN ALSO BE TAKEN IN AUGUST AND JANUARY.

HOW DO I SIGN UP? STUDENTS WISHING TO RETAKE A REGENTS EXAM IN AUGUST OR JANUARY NEED TO SEE THEIR COUNSELOR TO REGISTER.

WHEN DO I GET MY SCORE AND HOW WILL IT BE USED? STUDENTS RECEIVE THEIR GRADES WITHIN SEVERAL DAYS OF SITTING FOR THE EXAM. REGENTS COUNT AS FINAL EXAMS AND NORMALLY MAKE UP 20% OF THE FINAL COURSE GRADE. ALL STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO PASS SPECIFIED REGENTS EXAMINATIONS IN ORDER TO EARN A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA.

WILL THE SCORE APPEAR ON MY TRANSCRIPT? YES. ALL REGENTS EXAMINATION SCORES MUST BE POSTED ON THE STUDENT'S TRANSCRIPT.

HOW DO I ENSURE THAT I WILL RECEIVE ANY SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS THAT I AM ENTITLED TO? RESOURCE ROOM

TEACHERS AND THE TESTING COORDINATOR MAKE ALL NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS REGARDING TESTING ACCOMMODATIONS. CONSULT WITH YOUR COUNSELOR IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMINATIONS

WHAT ARE THEY? AP EXAMS ARE THE FINAL ASSESSMENTS USED IN COLLEGE LEVEL ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES. BY EARNING A "QUALIFYING" GRADE (USUALLY 3 OR HIGHER OUT OF 5), STUDENTS MAY RECEIVE COURSE CREDIT OR ADVANCED PLACEMENT AT THOUSANDS OF COLLEGES WORLDWIDE. BRIARCLIFF CURRENTLY OFFERS AP COURSES IN CALCULUS, BIOLOGY, CHEMISTRY, ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE, PHYSICS, AMERICAN HISTORY, EUROPEAN HISTORY, HUMAN GEOGRAPHY, MACROECONOMICS, U.S. GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS, WORLD HISTORY, ENGLISH, FRENCH, LATIN, SPANISH, COMPUTER SCIENCE, AND STUDIO ART.

WHO TAKES THEM? STUDENTS WHO HAVE EARNED ACCEPTANCE INTO ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES MUST SIT FOR THE AP EXAMINATION. FOR DETAILS ON SPECIFIC COURSE PREREQUISITES, PLEASE REFER TO THE COURSE DESCRIPTION GUIDE.

WHEN DO I TAKE THEM? EXAMS ARE ADMINISTERED IN MAY.

HOW DO I REGISTER? STUDENTS RECEIVE A LETTER FROM THE BHS AP COORDINATOR. WHEN NOTIFIED, STUDENTS MUST BRING IN THE EXAM REGISTRATION TO THE TESTING COORDINATOR.

WHEN DO I GET MY SCORE AND HOW WILL IT BE USED? STUDENTS RECEIVE SCORES IN JULY. SCORES ARE USED BY COLLEGES TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT STUDENTS SHOULD RECEIVE COURSE CREDIT OR ADVANCED PLACEMENT.

WILL THE SCORE APPEAR ON MY TRANSCRIPT? NO. YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR REQUESTING YOUR SCORES TO BE SENT TO COLLEGES. YOU WILL RECEIVE THIS INFORMATION WHEN YOU REGISTER FOR YOUR AP EXAMS.

PRELIMINARY SCHOLASTIC ASSESSMENT TEST NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP QUALIFYING TEST (PSAT/NMSQT)

WHAT IS IT? THIS TEST MEASURES CRITICAL READING, VERBAL REASONING, MATH PROBLEM SOLVING, AND WRITING SKILLS. IT ASSESSES THE ABILITY TO REASON WITH FACTS AND CONCEPTS RATHER THAN THE ABILITY TO RECALL AND RECITE THEM.

WHO TAKES IT? STUDENTS TEND TO THINK OF THE PSAT AS PRACTICE FOR THE SAT, AND IT DOES OFFER EXCELLENT PRACTICE FOR SOPHOMORES (OPTIONAL). FOR JUNIORS (REQUIRED), THE TEST CAN DETERMINE THEIR INITIAL ELIGIBILITY FOR ENTRY INTO SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITIONS, PRIMARILY THROUGH THE NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP CORPORATION.

WHEN DO I TAKE IT? THE TEST IS GENERALLY SCHEDULED ON THE 3RD SATURDAY IN OCTOBER IN THE MORNING. THE PSAT IS ADMINISTERED TO BHS STUDENTS IN THE BRIARCLIFF HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM.

HOW DO I SIGN UP? STUDENTS WILL RECEIVE INFORMATION BY MAIL FROM THE BHS TESTING COORDINATOR. STUDENTS MUST COMPLETE THE PSAT PAPERWORK AND BRING THE REGISTRATION FEE TO THE TESTING COORDINATOR WHEN NOTIFIED TO DO SO.

WHEN DO I GET MY SCORE AND HOW WILL IT BE USED? SCORE REPORTS ARRIVE AT BHS IN EARLY DECEMBER. SCORE REPORTS WILL BE SENT HOME AT THIS TIME.

WILL THE SCORE APPEAR ON MY TRANSCRIPT? NO. THE SCORES DO NOT GO TO COLLEGES UNLESS YOU CHOOSE TO SHARE THIS INFORMATION.

SAT

WHAT IS IT? THE SAT IS A MEASURE OF ONE'S VERBAL AND MATHEMATICAL REASONING ABILITIES WHICH DEVELOP OVER TIME. STUDENT'S SCORES HELP COLLEGES AND SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS COMPARE ONE'S ACADEMIC PREPARATION AND ABILITY WITH THOSE OF MORE THAN TWO MILLION STUDENTS WHO TAKE THE SAT EACH YEAR. THERE ARE TWO SECTIONS- EVIDENCE BASED READING AND WRITING AND MATHEMATICS. THERE IS AN OPTIONAL ESSAY SECTION.

WHEN DO I TAKE IT? JUNIORS TYPICALLY TAKE THE SAT IN THE SPRING (MARCH OR MAY). SOME JUNIORS, HOWEVER, MAY OPT TO TAKE THE SAT EARLIER (JANUARY). STUDENTS MAY ELECT TO RETAKE THEM IN THE FALL OF THEIR SENIOR YEAR (OCTOBER OR NOVEMBER).

HOW DO I SIGN UP? STUDENTS MUST REGISTER ONLINE AT WWW.COLLEGEBOARD.COM.

WHEN DO I GET MY SCORES AND HOW WILL THEY BE USED?

SCORES ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE USUALLY THREE WEEKS AFTER THE EXAM DATE. SCORES WILL BE MAILED TO STUDENTS SEVERAL WEEKS AFTER SITTING FOR THE TEST. SCORES ARE USED BY COLLEGES FOR ADMISSIONS PURPOSES AND BY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS TO SELECT RECIPIENTS. STUDENTS RECEIVE TWO SCORESONE FOR THE EVIDENCE BASED READING AND WRITING SECTION AND ONE FOR THE MATH SECTION. SCORES RANGE FROM 200 TO 800, WITH 800 BEING A PERFECT SCORE. THE OPTIONAL ESSAY IS GIVEN A SCORE BETWEEN 2 AND 8.

WILL THE SCORES APPEAR ON MY TRANSCRIPT? NO. COLLEGES REQUIRE THAT OFFICIAL SCORES BE SENT DIRECTLY FROM THE EDUCATIONAL TESTING SERVICE (ETS). THIS IS DONE ONLINE THROUGH THE COLLEGE BOARD.

SAT SUBJECT TESTS

WHAT ARE THEY? SAT SUBJECT TESTS ARE ONE HOUR LONG, PRIMARILY MULTIPLE CHOICE TESTS THAT MEASURE ONE'S KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS IN PARTICULAR SUBJECTS AND ONE'S ABILITY TO APPLY THAT KNOWLEDGE. MANY HIGHLY SELECTIVE COLLEGES RECOMMEND ONE OR MORE (USUALLY TWO) SUBJECT TESTS FOR ADMISSIONS.

WHO TAKES THEM? CONFER WITH YOUR TEACHER AND COUNSELOR PRIOR TO REGISTERING FOR SUBJECT TESTS.

WHEN DO I TAKE THEM? SUBJECT TESTS ARE NORMALLY TAKEN IN LATE SPRING.

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WILL THE SCORE APPEAR ON MY TRANSCRIPT? No. Colleges require that official scores be sent directly from the Educational Testing Service (ETS). This is done online through the College Board.

AMERICAN COLLEGE TESTING (ACT)

WHAT IS IT? THE ACT IS A NATIONAL COLLEGE ADMISSIONS EXAMINATION. IT IS DESIGNED TO ASSESS A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT'S GENERAL EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND ONE'S ABILITY TO COMPLETE COLLEGE LEVEL WORK. THE ACT CONSISTS OF 215 MULTIPLE-CHOICE QUESTIONS THAT MEASURE SKILLS IN ENGLISH, MATHEMATICS, READING, AND SCIENCE REASONING.

WHEN DO I TAKE IT? JUNIORS TYPICALLY TAKE THE ACT IN THE SPRING (APRIL OR JUNE). SOME JUNIORS, HOWEVER, MAY OPT TO TAKE THE ACT EARLIER (DECEMBER OR FEBRUARY). STUDENTS MAY ELECT TO RETAKE THEM IN THE FALL OF THEIR SENIOR YEAR (SEPTEMBER OR OCTOBER).

HOW DO I SIGN UP? STUDENTS MUST REGISTER ONLINE AT <u>www.act.org</u>.

WHEN DO I GET MY SCORE AND HOW WILL IT BE USED? ACT SCORES ARE USED BY COLLEGES FOR ADMISSIONS PURPOSES. ALL COLLEGES ACCEPT THE ACT WITH WRITING AS A "STANDARDIZED TEST." THE ACT HAS FOUR SECTIONS; ENGLISH, MATH, READING, AND SCIENCE. EACH SECTION IS SCORED ON A SCALE BETWEEN 1 AND 36. THOSE FOUR SCORES ARE AVERAGED TOGETHER FOR ONE COMPOSITE SCORE BETWEEN 1 AND 36.

WILL THE SCORE APPEAR ON MY TRANSCRIPT? No. Colleges require that official scores be sent directly from the Educational Testing Service (ETS).

Briarcliff High School Daily Schedule

Period 1 7:45-8:28

Period 2 8:31-9:15

Period 3 9:18-10:01

Period 4 10:04-10:47

Period 5A Class: 10:50-11:33

CLEAR: 11:33-12:03

Period 5B CLEAR: 10:47-11:17

Class: 11:17-12:00

Period 6 12:03-12:46

Period 7 12:49-1:32

Period 8 1:35-2:18

43 minute class and 30 minute CLEAR period

Collaboration, Lunch, Extra Help, Academic Support, and Recreation

CLEAR A: 11:33-12:03 CLEAR B: 10:47-11:17

General Dismissal Bus Departure: 2:23 PM

Activities Bus Departure: 3:45 PM

Briarcliff High School

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Grade	Gender	Student Id	Couns	elor	HomeRoom
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Student Mai	ling Address			Home F	Phone		Extens	ion

Course

Days	Period	Term	Room	Course#	Course	Sec	Teacher
1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,0	1	1,2	H124	LOTSP200	Spanish II	1	P. Manchisi
1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,0	2	1,2	H212	STUDY900	Study Hall 9	2	T. Durkin
1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,0	3	1,2	M201	SOCGH1R0	Global History & Geography 1 R	3	D. Lavelle
1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,0	4	1,2	H210	ENG9R000	English 9R	5	S. Fishman
1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,0	5A Class	1	H121	ARTFSA00	Foundations of Studio in Art	2	J. Linville
1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,0	5A Class	2	H121	ARTSA200	Studio in Art (2)	2	J. Linville
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1,3,7	7	1,2	H101	SCIBIORL	Living Environment Biology R Lab	3	N. Lee
2,4,6,8,0	7	1,2	GYM	PED09-10	Physical Education 9/10	3	A. Thau
P 5,9	7	1,2	H215	STUDY900	Study Hall 9	11	D. Birenbaum
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STUDENT TRANSCRIPT

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Spanish I (8)		82	1 00		Briarcliff Manor, New York 105	10
Earth Science R (8)	R	84	1 00		(914) 769-6299 Fax: (914) 769	9-5135
English 9R		80	1 00	Grades	9-12	
Spanish II		84	1 00	School Code	330505	
Math 9		83	1 00	Accreditation	Middle States Association of Co	olleges
Living Environment/Biology R	R	88	1 00	Accidanation	and Secondary Schools	
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Spanish III R	R	89	1 00	Student		
Math 10 R	R	82	1 00			
Physical Setting/Chemistry R	R	75	1 00			
Global History and Geography II H	н	. 83	1 00			
Intro to Sociology		93	0 50	Parent/Guardian		
Health		89	0 50	DOB	Gender	
Fitness Through Cardio & Strength Tr	raining	98	0.50	Counselor		
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Physics Regents	R		0 00		nts Phy Set/Chemistry	75 00
Economics			0.00		nts Spanish	92 00
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BRIARCLIFF HIGH SCHOOL - COMMUNITY SERVICE LOG SHEET

Clearly write in all information, signatures and dates which must include the year.



PRINT - Student Name (last)	
(first)	
Graduation Year	

- Before submitting this form for credit:

 Check reverse side of this page to ensure you have proper Community Service as required by the High School
- Contact your coordinator above if you are still unclear.
- To which year would you like to apply these community service hours? (Please circle one)

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Incomplete/Unreadable forms will delay processing and may result in failure within the marking period received

Please submit to Mrs. Blank's office, HS room #228, in the appropriate grade folder 9/10 or 11/12

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		Total # of hours submitted on this form		
4.1				
Adult Recipient/Supervisor Signature	Hours	Brief detail of service hours completed. Do not use abbreviations/acronyms.	Service recipient's Name/phone or email	Month/Date/Year

Parent's signature

Coordinator's Initials

Date Received

<u>Why community service?</u> The New York State Compact for Learning states that "members of the community help children gain maturity and responsibility by affording them opportunities for service." Mandating community service each year provides opportunities for students to explore and develop career possibilities, discover relevance to school learned skills, and cultivate distinguishing factors on college applications. Community Service allows students to be contributing members of our community each year while discovering more about their own interests and talents.

What constitutes community service? Some examples of community service are organizing or working:

- At a soup kitchen, food pantry or other charitable organizations and events
- With the aged, the impoverished, the physically or developmentally disabled
- At a community (including school, town) event for an important/needful cause

In other words, community service is time volunteered which benefits *those in need*, a community, or its non-profit constituents. **Community service is not** simply working (nor performing) without pay to benefit a for-profit business or company, helping your family or others, providing a service for *people with the resources to help themselves*, or training required for later employment. For example, it is not...

- Acting as a receptionist for a family or other for-profit business
- Walking the neighbor's dog and/or shopping and cleaning for the same.
- Training or internship without pay at a commercial business.

WHEN IN DOUBT, CONTACT THE COORDINATORS FOR CLARIFICATION AND APPROVAL

<u>How many hours are required?</u> Each student must complete 8 hours of community service per year, for each of four years. One quarter (1/4) credit will be assigned to students each year, upon completion of their service, commencing with ninth grade. This enables our students to experience the benefits of volunteerism all four years. Therefore, you may not "pay forward".

Where can I get a form, and to whom do I submit?

- Students *must hand in a Service Log Sheet* with verifying signatures of the Service Recipient and a parent/guardian to the <u>Community Service Coordinators</u>, <u>Ms. Diane Guida (Junior/Senior) or Mrs.</u> Diana Blank (Freshman/Sophomore).
- Log Sheets are downloadable from this BHS website, Blackboard and/or from Mrs. Blank's office HS room #228.
- Completed sheets can be turned in at any time during the year before the last day of classes in June to Mrs. Blank's office HS room #228. **SENIORS MUST SUBMIT THEIR FORMS PRIOR TO LEAVING FOR INTERNSHIP**. A Community Service grade of Pass or Fail will show on the year-end report card and transcript. **This service credit is a requirement of graduation**.

What do I do if I am having trouble figuring out what to do for community service?

- Check the "Resources" section of the website, and open up "Community Service Opportunities" to see this update of the local agencies that are looking for help.
- Click on one of the links to an on-line site that matches you with local organizations looking for help based on your interests and zip code.
- Check the bulletin board outside of Mrs. Blank's room to find out about upcoming events.
- Check your school email as the coordinators will frequently email opportunities as they arise in the community.
- You may also mail Ms. Guida or Mrs. Blank to set up a time to meet. There are always plenty of people and organizations seeking help.

