SOPHOMORE PARENT BREAKFAST

Brookline High School

CAREER COUNSELOR: KATE KENNEDY INTERIM CAREER SUPPORT - ANALISA FAZIO



Career exploration & information; interviewing; job shadows; supporting students with alternative post grad plans, such as trades

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College-related presentations to parents and students. Work with challenging situations.

Please contact your counselor first.

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HTTP://BHS.BROOKLINE.K12.MA.US/GUIDANCE



Gap Year Fair

1/5/2021

Thinking about a Gap Year?

BHS Guidance Department and USA Gap Year Fairs are proud to announce the annual virtual BHS Gap Year Fair (Wednesday, January 13, starting at 6:30 pm). We will hold a Gap Year 101 webinar from 6:30 to 7:15, followed by the Gap Year Fair till 8:30 pm. You will be able to connect with Gap Year Experts, programs and alumni. Please register at https://bit.ly/37ljL83 (Links to an external site.)

See the attached Flyer for more information

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BHS College Counselor

CLASS OF 2021 MOST POPULAR COLLEGES

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	Apply	Accept	Attend				
University of Massachusetts-Amherst	256	153	31				
Boston University	129	46	19				
Northeastern University	129	38	15				
University of Vermont	106	72	13				
University of Massachusetts-Boston	68	43	8				
Tufts University	69	11	8				
New York University	100	14	7				
Bates, Colby, Harvard, Tulane		_	6				

SOPHOMORE SEMINARS:

Sophomore seminars have already happened (Nov-Dec). The theme was connected to career readiness conversations, tied into what students think they may be interested in for upcoming BHS courses and area community service and job opportunities.

In hub advisory, sophomores have been logging into Naviance to explore the career surveys, links, and RoadTrip Nation stories about different careers highlighted there. Gr 10 counselors rotated into hubs to co-keep circles around these topics.

BHS GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

English: 4 credits # %	four years			
World Languages: 2 credits %	two years in one language			
Mathematics: 3 credits	three years			
Science: 3 credits	three years			
Social Studies: 3 credits	three years (World History I and II, U. S. History) #			
Electives: Career and Technology Education, Performing Arts and Visual Arts, Community Service: 3 credits	three years distributed across at least three of these program areas			
Health and Fitness 1 credit *	Health and Fitness must be taken each year			

MASS STATE ADMISSION STANDARDS

	Requirement for college freshman class entering						
Subject	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017 and beyond	
English	4 courses						
Mathematics	4 courses (Algebra I & II and Geometry or Trigonometry, or comparable coursework) including mathematics during the final year of high school						
Sciences						3 courses (drawn from Natural Science and/or Physical Science and/or Technology/ Engineering), including 3 courses with laboratory work	
Social Sciences	2 courses (including 1 course in U.S. History)						
Foreign Languages	2 courses (in a single language)						
Electives	2 courses (from the above subjects or from the Arts & Humanities or Computer Sciences						

MASS STATE ADMISSION STANDARDS

- Any student applying to a state college or university on an IEP is not required to take the SAT or ACT. The IEP and support documentation will need to be sent to the colleges.
- For students whose first language is not English, they will need to take the TOEFL or Duolingo tests

1675+ COLLEGES ARE TEST-OPTIONAL.

75% OF 4-YEAR COLLEGES FOR CURRENT SENIORS

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PRE-ACT

- Strengths and Weaknesses in math, English, reading and science. In addition, pre-ACT helps students develop after-school goals
- Date: Saturday, April 9
- Info about signing up for this practice ACT will start during the week of March 7, 2022.
- Students with specific testing accommodations from IEPs, 504s, and ICaps can be accommodated at BHS and this info will be shared on the registration form and confirmed.

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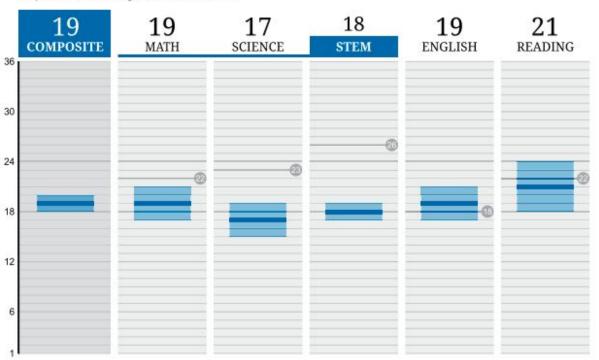
Test Date: October 8, 2018

WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL (Code: 123456)

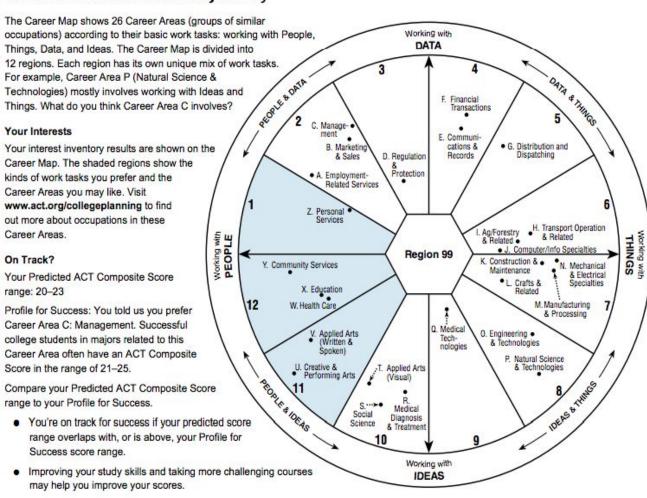
Grade: 10

Your PreACT° Composite Score is 19

This graph visually represents your PreACT scores compared to the ACT Benchmark. When looking at this you can see where your score compares to the ACT College Readiness Benchmarks,



Your Education and Career Journey



CLUBS

- <u>Clubs and Activities List</u> All current clubs listed on the BHS homepage, under Student Life
- "A Call to Action Club Fair" will be held in the afternoon of the January 26
 Intersession Day. In the early afternoon, BHS Student Council will host this Call to
 Action Fair which focuses on student activism, community service, and affinity
 clubs. These clubs will host tables and offer students the opportunity to get
 engaged with their activities.
- Add'l club info sharing will happen for certain clubs on the upcoming Jan 26 Intersession Day.
- Annual Club Fair: early Fall

PSAT

Likely Saturday October 15, 7:45 a.m. - BHS

Registration: online, by mid-Oct.
Info in Advisory

NAVIANCE

- Web based system for college and career readiness, used in grades 9 12.
- Students get individual accounts. Parents can look into student information through these accounts.
- The Guidance department communicates with students by sending out emails through Naviance.
- Naviance is utilized extensively in junior and senior years for the college application process.

WHAT TO LOOK FORWARD TO 2ND SEMESTER

- Midyear exam dates have been pushed back by 2 days (Thurs 1/20, Friday 1/21, Monday 1/24, and Tuesday 1/25). Exams will be spread over 4 days to allow students to have mostly one exam per day. Students only come to BHS for their exams on these days, no regular school schedule.
- Course selection for Gr 11 will start in March. Teachers will communicate their level & course recommendations to individual students. Parent override period is likely early April and should be considered very carefully in consultation with student, likely counselor.
- MCAS ELA is scheduled for March 22 / 23. MCAS Math is scheduled for May 17 / 18
- The Annual Job/Career Fair will be in April and widely publicized

WHAT TO LOOK FORWARD TO JUNIOR YEAR

- Students take PSATs in October
- 11th Grade Guidance Seminars
- Junior Parent & Student Night
- SAT and/or ACT in spring
- College Fair & Gap Year Fair
- College visits (February and April vacations)
- Virtual college info sessions



UNCOMMON SENSE for PARENTS with TEENAGERS

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"Parents are fired as managers and working hard to become my consultant on my terms.."

"A fair number of students experience the sophomore slump, which usually occurs in the latter part of tenth grade.."

"When teenagers come home from school they often need to "detox," just like adults do when they come home from work.."

"Realize that it isn't normal for sophomores to come home and want to brief their parents on the details of their life.." Connectability Materia

"A humane, measured book In its authentic humanity, it has lessons for a very wide audience indeed." — THE WASHINGTON POST

Where You Go Is Not Who Who AFTERWORD You'll Be

AN ANTIDOTE TO THE COLLEGE
ADMISSIONS MANIA

FRANK BRUNI

THE NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER

For too many parents and their children, getting into a highly selective school is seen as the conclusive measure of a young person's worth, a binding verdict on the life that he or she has led up to that point, an uncontestable harbinger of the successes or disappointments to come. Winner or loser: this is when the judgement is made.

By pushing kids relentlessly and narrowly toward one of the most prized schools in the country you are probably setting them up for heartbreak, and you're imparting a questionable set of values.

Your control over the outcome is very, very limited, and <u>outcome says nothing</u> <u>definitive about [student's] talent and potential</u>.

DIFFERENT TIMELINES...

DIFFERENT DEFINITIONS OF SUCCESS...

WE WILL HELP YOU FIND THE RIGHT FIT!!!!



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