

Dear Juniors,

We were glad to start off with the College Kick Off to assist you with an overview of navigating the college process. We reviewed important information about the BCCHS college application process. We know it is a lot of information so take time to review it again. You can go to the Powerpoint presentation, which is an important reference point for the overall college application process. <u>Go to: College</u> <u>Office Kick Off</u>

The College Office, Ms. Phillips, Ms. Ougheltree, Ms. Epstein & Ms. Davis

COLLEGE OFFICE APPOINTMENTS

In order to assist you with making a balanced list of colleges to apply to, you will need to make an appointment with the College Office.

You must complete both the student and parents surveys on Naviance. They are listed as **'The Family Response Form'** and the **'11th Grade College Survey'** Surveys that are not completed will result in your appointment being canceled. You must take the following steps:

1. Surveys must be completed by February 12th Naviance instructions for Survey

- 2. You will be given a link next week to make family appointments with the College Office. The start date that you will be able to make an appointment with the College Office is **February 14th.**
- 3. If you are not able to access your Naviance account, you must come to the College Office.

COLLEGE OFFICE DEADLINES & EVENTS

FAFSA Workshop: 1/31 Naviance Surveys Due: 2/12 Doodle Meeting Link to make family appointments with the College Office will open: 2/14 Family appointments begin: 2/27 Coffee Talk Naviance and navigating college info online: 3/6 UPenn Presentation (7th period): 3/6 College Night: 3/20 SAT School Day: 4/17 College Office Website: www.bcchscollege.weebly.com



SAT AND ACT

SAT SCHOOL DAY: 11th Graders will be registered by the school to take the SAT on Wednesday, April 17.

2024- The exam is scheduled to be in school.

RECOMMENDED SAT/ACT TEST Schedule for Juniors

Students are expected to take two SATs or ACTs. Optimally, the first is taken in March/April of junior year (The DOE will pay for it and it will happen on a school day at BCCHS). Please note that this test will not include the essay. You will also have the opportunity to take the exam in March, May and June. You do not have to register for the SAT School Day test on 4/17. For all other SAT/ ACT exams, you will need to register online and pay. You should take all your college entrance exams by November of senior year. This gives students time to advance academically in junior year, and if their first results need improvement, the time to improve them.

SAT: <u>https://www.collegeboard.org/</u> for SAT ACT <u>https://www.act.org/</u> for the ACT Colleges view both tests equally!!

WHEN do I sign up?

Students generally register for a test approximately 3 months before the planned test date to have the best chance of selecting a conveniently located testing site. Students who wait until the last minute to register may only have options in a different borough or a different state.

HOW do I sign up?

Students must sign up for their own tests via their personal College Board (SAT) or ACT accounts; the iSchool cannot register students. However, the college office is happy to help students register themselves if they come to office hours! Registration takes approximately 30 minutes. Students will need to enter the BCCHS CEEB code, which is 333803. Click <u>HERE</u> to register for the ACT; click <u>HERE</u> to register for the SAT. Remember that this would be for an SAT exam after the School Day SAT, which you do not have to register for through the College Board.

How much does each exam cost?

SAT: \$68 (with essay); \$52 (without essay). You will still have the option to take the essay portion this spring, but, because it will no longer be used in admission, we not do not advise it. ACT: \$70 (with writing); \$55 (without writing).



How can I obtain a fee waiver to cover the cost of my SAT or ACT registration?

Fee waivers for these exams are provided to students with free or reduced lunch eligibility, as determined by the lunch form submitted to the BCCHS in the 2023-2024 school year. If you qualify, you should have received an email from the College Office.

If I qualify, how many registration fee waivers do I receive?

ACT: two fee waivers SAT: two fee waivers IMPORTANT: THE WAIVER IS USED ONCE YOU REGISTER, EVEN IF YOU DO NOT TEST ON THE REQUESTED DATE. So, if a student receives a waiver, they should sit for the exam.

FREE Online Prep w/Test Prep Companies

The College Board - Practice with official SAT questions and take a FREE official SAT Practice test. Click <u>here</u>.

FREE SAT and ACT Events with *Revolution Prep* - FREE practice tests, admissions seminars, sample classes. Click <u>here.</u> FREE SAT and ACT Events with *Kaplan* - FREE practice tests, admissions seminars, sample classes. Click <u>here</u>.

FREE SAT with *Khan Academy* practice tests Click <u>Here</u>

FREE SAT and ACT Events with *Princeton Review* - FREE practice tests, strategy sessions, sample classes, and webinars. Click <u>here</u>.

<u>Here'</u>s a link to printable full length SAT tests as well as sections separated by section.

Looking to purchase test prep support? Here are some companies our students/families have used in the past. SAT test prep companies: Revolution Prep: <u>www.revolutionprep.com</u> Applerouth: <u>www.applerouth.com</u>

SUNY WORKSHOPS

Go to:<u>www.suny.edu/student events</u> or by calling 1.800.342.3811. Family and guests are always welcome. We will continue to provide you with monthly updates on programming.

VIRTUAL COLLEGE FAIR

There is a free **virtual college fair** scheduled May 13th-18th. Students can log on any time during this week and get information from many colleges. There is a question and answer section for the students to get answers directly from college reps. Go to www.collegefairsonline.com to the students tab to register ASAP.



QUESTBRIDGE SCHOLARS PROGRAM

Quest bridge scholars receive full scholarships to summer programs such as Yale and Emory. Quest for Excellence awards such as laptops & personal essay reviews, distinction as a competitive candidate for admission to our college partners, & much more! Who's qualified?

- High School Junior
- Top 5-10% of their class
- Mostly A's while taking the most challenging courses offered
- Family earns less than \$65,000 annually (for a typical family of four)

For more information: https://www.questbridge.org/



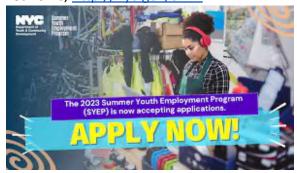
INTERNSHIP AND PRE-COLLEGE PROGRAM OPPORTUNITIES CLICK HERE FOR BCCHS COLLEGE OFFICE WEBSITE INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES!

Smith College Precollege Programs for High School Girls

Summer programs run from July to August. Students must have a strong record of academic achievement, a high level of motivation and a willingness to explore. All applications must be submitted online at <u>www.smith.edu/summer</u>

Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP)

Applications are now open for the 2024 Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP). SYEP is the nation's largest youth employment program, connecting NYC youth between the ages of 14 and 24 with career exploration opportunities and paid work experience each summer. To help you spread the word in your networks, http://nyc.gov/SYEP





Cornell University-CURIE Academy

Deadline to apply: February 15 Program Dates: July 14-20 Visit: https://sites.coecis.cornell.edu/curieacade my Cornell University-CATALYST Academy Deadline to apply: February 15 Program Dates: July 14-20 Visit:https://sites.coecis.cornell.edu/catalys t

Columbia University Summer Programs

Programs are in New York City or remote Application information is listed below Visit: Click <u>Here</u>

Barnard Summer Programs

Application information is listed below **Visit:** <u>https://precollege.barnard.edu</u>

U of Pennsylvania Writing Program

Kelly's Summer Writing Program

Visions Service Adventures

Summer community service programs for teens throughout the world. Financial aid available for those who apply Visit: <u>https://visionsserviceadventures.com</u>

Free Online Courses

edX | Free Online Courses by Harvard, MIT, & more | edX <u>www.edx.org</u>. Access 2000 free online courses from 140 leading institutions worldwide. Gain new skills and earn a certificate of completion. TurnUp Youth Activism Remote Internship Application

Please fill out this form to be considered for becoming an Intern at TurnUp

Join our team of mission-driven young people from all around the United States to help amplify youth civic engagement and participate in activism on many progressive/social justice issues including climate change, racial justice, reproductive rights, and ending gun violence, and combating voter suppression in the United States. www.turnup.us

Internship application

TO VIEW SUMMER PROGRAMS, Internship opportunities and more:

http://www.bcchscollege.weebly.com