

SOPHOMORE YEAR: WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW?

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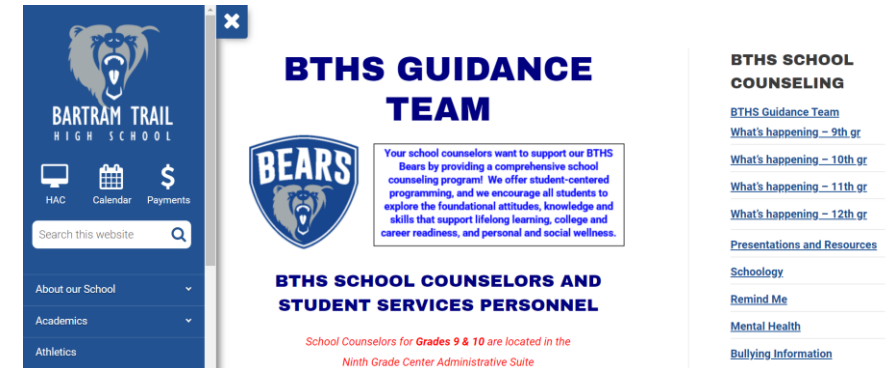
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****Open door policy during your lunch****

SCHOOL NEWS ...

Check the BTHS Website and Schoology Group

- School Counseling Information
 - <https://www-bths.stjohns.k12.fl.us/guidance/>
- Daily Announcements
 - <https://www-bths.stjohns.k12.fl.us/news/>
- Schoology Group
 - School Counseling for BTHS Students
 - Access Code: VXTV-WZ8T-KXHHV



The screenshot displays the Bartram Trail High School website. On the left is a dark blue navigation sidebar with the school's logo and menu items: HAC, Calendar, Payments, Search this website, About our School, Academics, and Athletics. The main content area features the 'BTHS GUIDANCE TEAM' heading, a 'BEARS' logo, and a text box stating: 'Your school counselors want to support our BTHS Bears by providing a comprehensive school counseling program! We offer student-centered programming, and we encourage all students to explore the foundational attitudes, knowledge and skills that support lifelong learning, college and career readiness, and personal and social wellness.' Below this is the heading 'BTHS SCHOOL COUNSELORS AND STUDENT SERVICES PERSONNEL' and a note: 'School Counselors for Grades 9 & 10 are located in the Ninth Grade Center Administrative Suite'. On the right side, there is a 'BTHS SCHOOL COUNSELING' section with links for 'BTHS Guidance Team', 'What's happening - 9th gr', 'What's happening - 10th gr', 'What's happening - 11th gr', 'What's happening - 12th gr', 'Presentations and Resources', 'Schoology', 'Remind Me', 'Mental Health', and 'Bullying Information'.

PROMOTION REQUIREMENTS

9th to 10th Grade

- 5 credits

10th to 11th Grade

- 11 credits


11th to 12th Grade

- 17 credits

12th Grade to Graduation

- 24 or more

- GPA's update after every semester:
 - In January, after semester 1 grades post
 - In the summer, after semester 2 grades post
 - EOC courses: Algebra, Geometry, Biology and US History: State EOC course (30% averaged when state releases scores). Final grade is determined.
- AP, Dual Enrollment, and honors counts towards your weighted GPA
- Only unweighted GPA counts towards graduation and qualifications for Dual Enrollment



WHAT YOU
NEED TO
KNOW
ABOUT
GPA:

GRADE FORGIVENESS

Students can retake classes in which they earn a D or F (if the class is offered on FLVS, SJVS, or APEX Credit Recovery)

All grades appear on the official transcript. Forgiven grades will still show on transcript but will not be included in GPA calculation

All grade forgiveness should be completed before senior year

Options for grade recovery: St Johns Virtual School, Florida Virtual School, and/or APEX credit recovery*

*Courses taken via APEX credit recovery will not count towards NCAA eligibility

If grade forgiveness is necessary, students should request an APEX or Virtual Lab on their schedule for next school year during their meeting with the counselor

- Schools are required by the State to place students in intensive reading if they score a level 1 or 2 on the FAST ELA Reading
- Administration will review FAST scores during the summer and students will be placed in an intensive reading course. In 11th and 12th grade intensive readings focuses on ACT/SAT prep.

INTENSIVE READING

STUDENT APPOINTMENTS VIA ENGLISH CLASSES

- All rising 10th-12th grade students have been scheduled for a 10-minute appointment to sit down with their school counselor to go over course requests.
- If parents are interested in being part of their student's appointment students are welcome to call their parent during the conference. Parents cannot attend in person.
- The schedule of appointments was emailed home.
- If a student is absent for their appointment, a pass will be sent to you with your make up meeting date and time.
- If you do not have an English class on campus a pass will be sent to you with your scheduled meeting date and time.



Grades – A grade of “C” or better in the previous honors course. Students earning an “A” in a previous standard class, may be recommended for Honors or AP

FSA/EOC – Level 4 or 5 in appropriate area and not less than a level 3 in any area

SJCSD HONORS CRITERIA

RECOMMENDATIONS VS REQUESTS

Current teachers make recommendations for next year's core courses and upper-level electives.

- Feel free to look at our Course Progressions on our Registration webpage to see our recommended core course sequence.

Requests are the electives students get to pick to complete their 7 total courses for next year.

REQUEST CHANGES VS SCHEDULE CHANGES

- Students can request the following changes when sitting with a counselor during their appointment:
 - Electives
 - Core Re-Evaluation
 - Virtual lab (deadline to request the course on FLVS is May 25)
- If changes need to be made after your registration appointment with your counselor, be sure to fill out the appropriate form on our website: <https://www-bths.stjohns.k12.fl.us/courseregistration/>
- There are **no schedule changes**, so make sure recommendations and requests are correct by May 25

SAMPLE 10TH GRADE SCHEDULE (STANDARD)

- English 2
- Geometry
- Biology
- World History
- Spanish I
- 2D Art I
- Chorus I

SAMPLE 10TH GRADE HONORS/AP

- English 2 Honors
- Geometry Honors
- Biology Honors
- AP World History
- Spanish II
- AP Psychology
- Digital Design

YOUR TO DO LIST...



Make your HAC selections by January 20th



Attend your scheduled registration meeting with your counselor and discuss potential changes then



If you change your mind on anything fill out the online form by the last day of school this year (May 25th), so that your request can be reviewed over the summer



Remember there will be NO schedule changes in August so choose wisely.