

RISING SENIOR PARENT WORKSHOP

BTHS School Counseling

WELCOME !

Junior/Senior School Counselors

Last Names A – K: Mrs. Moseley

Last Names L – Z: Mrs. Jordan

School Counselors have an open-door policy during all three lunches and are available to see students!

Stay in the Loop !

- * Join our School Counseling Schoology group
Access Code: VXTV-WZ8T-KXHHV
- * Read the School Counseling Monthly Newsletter
- * Visit our School Counseling webpage:
<https://www-bths.stjohns.k12.fl.us/guidance/>



**GRADUATION
REQUIREMENTS
FOR THE
STATE OF
FLORIDA**

**REQUIREMENTS
FOR A 24
CREDIT
STANDARD
DIPLOMA**

Pass two assessments:

~ Algebra B.E.S.T.

~ Grade 10 FAST ELA

* Or earn a concordant score (SAT, ACT, CLT, PSAT, Geom EOC)

2.0 cumulative, unweighted GPA

24 Specific Credits

**24 CREDITS
MUST BE
EARNED IN
THE
FOLLOWING
AREAS**

English – 4 credits

Math – 4 credits
Algebra, Geometry,
and two additional
math courses

Science – 3 credits
Biology and two
additional sciences

Social Studies – 3 credits
World History, US History, Government (.5) and
Economics (.5)

Performing/Fine Art or Career
and Technical Education
Course

HOPE Course

8 more Elective credits

* Two credits in the SAME world language are required for
college/university admission

An email was sent to parents on January 11th, with a lot of information concerning Registration.

For quick access to emails sent to parents, please go to the BTHS webpage and look under 'School Messenger'.

- ❖ The schedule of registration appointments
- ❖ Directions for choosing electives through HAC
- ❖ Links for forms
- ❖ Important information about virtual courses, CO-OP, Modified periods, VPS (Intern)

The screenshot shows the Bartram Trail High School website. The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with the following items: About our School, Academics, Athletics, Attendance, Families, Cafeteria, Clever - Links for Students, Media Center, New Students, School Counseling, Staff, Student Life, and Testing. The main content area features a search bar and a list of links under the heading '2025-2026 CLASS REGISTRATION INFORMATION'. The links include: 2025-2026 Registration Schedule through English Classes, 2025-2026 Course Scheduling Timeline, 2025-2026 Course Progressions, 2025-2026 BTHS Course Catalog, 2025 BT Dual Enrollment Timeline, 2025 8th Grade Parent Night PP, Purchase PE Uniforms via School Pay, and 2025-2026 Registration Timeline with Links. Below this is a link to 'MORE RESOURCES/CLASS SCHEDULING WEBSITE'. The 'SCHOOL MESSENGER' section is highlighted with a red arrow and contains the following text: 'The following messages have been emailed, texted with attachment, and posted on the Bartram Trail Twitter Account. Please note that the date listed below represents the date the message was sent.' The messages listed are: January Counselor Connections January Newsletter on January 14, 2025; 2025/2026 Registration Information on January 14, 2025; December Counselor Connections Newsletter on December 5, 2024; Counselor Virtual Presentations on October 3, 2024; and Xello for Parents on September 11, 2024.



REGISTRATION

- Students will be come to their registration appointment through their English classes and sit with their school counselor to choose courses and confirm selections.
- Please have the discussion with your student about their commitment to the courses they choose for their senior year.
- Schedules cannot be changed after school starts, even if the course is not a graduation requirement.
- The last day to request course changes is **April 15th**.

**Considerations
for a
Senior schedule**

**Research
Colleges for
course
information**

**Courses that
demonstrate
interests &
post-secondary
goals**

**Extra-
curricula
commitments**

**Internship to
earn service
hours**

**Dual
Enrollment
AP courses
Honors level**

**Modified
or
CO-OP**

MODIFIED



Seniors can Modify up to 3 periods if they are **on track** for high school graduation.

- Student must provide their own transportation.
- Morning or afternoon modified periods can be requested, but not guaranteed.

VPS – VOLUNTEER PUBLIC SERVICE (INTERN)



Seniors can be a Teacher or Office Intern and earn up to 75 service hours for the year.

- Students are making a full-year commitment.
- These hours qualify for 75 community service.

CO-OP



Seniors can have up to 3 CO-OP periods and are allowed to leave campus early.

- Students must provide their own transportation
- Students must work 5 hours per week for each period of CO-OP on their schedule.
- Assignments and pay stubs are submitted through Schoology and will earn a grade in this elective course which will affect GPA.
- Work hours above CO-OP qualify for work hours accepted by Bright Futures.

A STUDENT'S SENIOR SCHEDULE SHOULD REFLECT POST-SECONDARY PLANS

4 Year College or University

Going to a 4-year college or university? They are competitive! Students should take classes that will help prepare them for their major and classes beyond the minimum required for graduation. Possibly AP or dual enrollment courses.

Vocational

Going to a vocational school? Students may want to take classes at FCTC (First Coast Technical College) to get a jump start on their education for free. Some courses count as high school electives and others count as dual enrollment.

2 Year State College

Going to SJRSC or another state college? Tuition is less expensive! Students should take classes that will prepare them for their major. Possibly dual enrollment.

Earning College Credit in High School

Advanced Placement

- Courses at Bartram Trail HS
- Over 25 AP Courses offered at BTHS, and most subjects covered, including electives
- 1.0 value added per credit
- Take AP Test in May; Scores range 1-5
- Generally, get AP credit for score of 3 or above
- It does **not** count towards your College GPA

Dual Enrollment

- Courses are at SJRSC or online at home (must have transportation)
- Three campuses: St. Augustine, OP & Palatka
- 1.0 value added per credit
- ACT/SAT/CPT/PERT score required
- 3.0 unweighted GPA required
- SJR State Registration each semester
- Students may take a maximum of 10 DE credits in the fall/spring and 6 to 8 DE credits in the summer
- Courses permanently go on high school and college transcripts

DUAL ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

- Please read the Dual Enrollment FAQ.
- Summer Registration will begin in February and Fall Registration will begin in April.
- Announcements, Counseling Newsletter, and Schoology messages will alert students about the availability of registration packets
- Registration packets for “New” and “Returning” students will be available in the Guidance Office.
- Questions about specific courses should be directed to SJRSC Dual Enrollment office.
- Students who plan to enroll in Dual Enrollment for the summer or fall semesters need to let their Counselors know during registration and complete the appropriate paperwork.

SAMPLE SENIOR COURSES 7 PERIODS

ACADEMICS:

- English
- Math
- Government/Economics
(AP is two periods each)
- Science

ELECTIVES:

Academic Electives
Academy
World Language
Performing/Fine Art
Creative Writing
Team Sports/Weightlifting
Turf
Dual Enrollment (SJRSC or FCTC)
AP Electives (Psych, Env Sci, Art History)
VPS (Intern)
CO-OP
Modified



XELLO

COLLEGE & CAREER READINESS PROGRAM

- **During 2nd semester, Juniors will receive a lesson from Mrs. Porter about Xello.**
- **Along with learning how to utilize the program, students will link their Common App account with Xello during senior year they can track college applications and requests for their school report & required teacher/counselor recommendations.**

BRIGHT FUTURES

- Seniors may apply for BF after October 1st of their senior year. Senior school counselors will be providing Financial Aid lessons and give seniors the opportunity to complete their online application. Students will need their SSN.
- Students should keep up with their course work and maintain a high GPA – especially in CORE classes (English, Math, Science, Social Studies, World Language).
- Students should stay involved in school and their community.
- Students should turn in service hours/paid work hours to Ms. Richards in the Guidance office.
- Students should take the ACT, SAT, and/or CLT, and send scores to one of Florida's 12 Universities when registering.
- Bright Futures (and colleges) super score these test (take the student's highest subject score from the total of times taken).



Florida Academic Scholars (FAS) Award – 100% paid Tuition
and
Florida Medallion Scholars (FMS) Award – 75% paid Tuition

Type	16 High School Course Credits ¹	High School Weighted Bright Futures GPA	College Entrance Exams by High School Graduation Year (ACT®/CLT®/SAT®)	Volunteer Service Only	Paid Work Hours Only	Combination of Volunteer/Paid Hours
FAS	4 - English <i>(three must include substantial writing)</i> 4 - Mathematics <i>(at or above the Algebra I level)</i> 3 - Natural Science <i>(two must have substantial laboratory)</i>	3.50	2024-25 Graduates: 29/96/1340 2025-26 Graduates: 29/95/1330	100 hours	100 hours	100 hours
FMS	3 - Social Science 2 - Foreign/World Language <i>(sequential, in same language)</i>	3.00	2024-25 Graduates: 25/84/1210 2025-26 Graduates: 24/82/1190	75 hours	100 hours	100 hours

This is NOT your Bartram GPA!

You only need one of these test scores.

You must send your test scores to a FL public College/University.

SAT & ACT Information

Please visit the [School Counseling](#) webpage and look under the heading for **TESTING** to see links for:

- [SAT and ACT Dates and Deadlines](#)
- [Registration and Test Center Code](#)
- [What to bring on test day and FAQ's](#)
- [Fee Waiver Information](#)
- [Free Test Preparation Links from SAT and ACT](#)

CLT (Classic Learning Test) Information

- [Remotely-proctored online test at home](#)
- [Offered monthly](#)
- [Test scores not accepted at every college/university](#)
- [Test scores are accepted for Bright Futures](#)
- [Three sections, 40 questions each, 120 minutes \(+ instruction\)](#)
- [Not penalized for wrong answers](#)
- [Calculators not permitted](#)

COMMUNITY SERVICE



Not needed for graduation



Needed for Bright Futures and often other scholarships



How to find community service opportunities – School Counseling website



SCHOLARSHIPS

Students can start looking now for Scholarships – there are scholarships offered for Juniors in high school.

Places to look for Scholarships:

- Bartram Trail High School Counseling Website – Listed by Monthly deadlines
- Student's Employers
- Parent Employers
- Church and Civic Organizations
- National, State and Local Organizations
- Special Interest Groups

Please take advantage of the information and resources provided on the School Counseling page of the BTHS website.

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Important information is also provided each month in our School Counseling Newsletter sent via school messenger.

THANK YOU!

All presentations will be posted on
the School Counseling webpage
under Presentations.

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