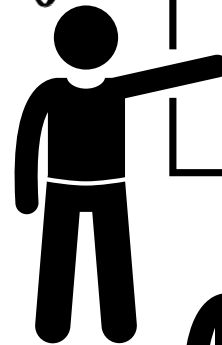# COUNSELOR CONNECTION

WHAT'S GOING ON THIS MONTH IN THE COUNSELING OFFICE?

All Counselors are preparing for course registration and reviewing grades earned, during quarter 2. Students with semester grades of a D or an F in any required course will meet with his/her School Counselor and a notification will be sent home to parents.

MY QUEST - January 15: Students who need assistance with completing their online course selections can seek Counselor help. THIS IS NOT YOUR COURSE REGISTRATION APPOINTMENT. Students will meet with their Counselors beginning 1/22 to confirm course selections and register for courses.

MY QUEST Location: Small Cafeteria
When: Before School, 6th & 7th periods
Date: January 15, 2025

Happy New Year

PARENT NIGHT
1/14/2025
6 p.m.
BTHS Auditorium

Information about the course registration process for 2025-2026 will be discussed along with other topics.

ATTENTION PLEASE

Parents, Will you help us make our Career Series a success? In April, we will host a weekly panel session and mini fair that will showcase various careers. We are looking for willing members in our community to participate and share information about their careers. We are requesting a couple of hours of your time OR half a day - your choice. If interested please click the survey **HERE** for more information.

Participation will be limited.

School ACT DAY

Tuesday, February 25, 2025

All 11th grade students are automatically registered for the ACT. This test will be paper-based.
If your student plans to leave school after testing is complete, please complete the early release form by February 7, 2025 found HERE

THINGS TO KNOW

- Tutoring is available through the following resources:
  - National Honor Society tutoring will resume on February 19, 2025, 1st and 3rd Wednesdays from 3-4pm in the Media Center.
  - Algebra tutoring in Room N148 all three lunches on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays.
  - Mu Alpha Theta members provide tutoring for various Math subjects. Please see your School Counselor for more information.
  - Varsity Tutors is a free year-round online resource. Access Clever for Varsity Tutors. For more information visit - https://my.varsitytutors.com/launchpad

- 9th, 10th and 11th graders will choose their courses for next school year beginning in late January. Students should begin to think about the courses they would like to take.

VIRTUAL LEARNING DAY

February 25, 2025, will be a Virtual Learning Day for all 9th, 10th, and 12th grade students. Students have the option to complete all assignments at home through Schoology. Any 9th, 10th or 12th grader who reports to school will be assigned a study hall for the day. Please note, all bus transportation WILL continue as normal. There will also be a limited lunch selection, but the cafeteria will be open.

parchment

www.parchment.com/u/registration/9276/institution

Need a Transcript to complete your SSAR, send to a coach, or a scholarship committee? Order it through Parchment.

Senior Students

class of 2025

In order for your online course(s) to count in your 7th semester GPA, it/they must be completed & score report received by BTHS by Jan 9th. As a reminder your 7th semester GPA is the last time rank will be calculated. 7th semester determines any honors designations earned by graduates. Any completions after Jan 9th will count in 8th semester GPA. Again, rank/honors designations do not change in the eighth semester.

For Semester Two: Seniors must complete all online courses by May 2, 2025.

FAFSA

The FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) is NOW OPEN for you and your parents to complete! Federal funds are first-come-first-serve. Remember, you need to have a FAFSA on file to receive scholarship money from a college/university.

To apply click here

Check out your Senior Class page for information-
https://www-bths.stjohns.k12.fl.us/seniors/

HAVE A QUESTION?
SEE A SCHOOL COUNSELOR

Stop by anytime during your lunch period-No appointment needed
OR
Schoology message your Counselor to set-up an appointment.

School Counselors

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Tracy.Ambuehl@stjohns.k12.fl.us

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For more information, visit the School Counseling webpage on the BTHS website:
https://www-bths.stjohns.k12.fl.us/guidance/

FAQS

1.Where can I find information about the SAT or ACT?
Click here for information: https://www-bths.stjohns.k12.fl.us/guidance/sat-and-act-test-date-and-registration-deadlines

2.Where can I find how many volunteer/work hours I have completed?
 In HAC under the "Registration" tab

3.I made a request for my Counselor to complete a college application "Counselor Form" through Xello. When should I expect it to be completed?
Counselors will ensure that college forms are submitted by the deadline, if requested in a reasonable amount of time. An exact time period is difficult to predict, due to varying amounts of requests at different times of the year.

4.Where and when do I need to order my cap and gown?
 Click here for information: https://www-bths.stjohns.k12.fl.us/seniors/

5.I want to take an online course. Where do I sign-up?
SJVS or FLVS are your two online options. Please visit: FLVS.NET

6.I received a "D" in a course. Can I take it over?
Students are permitted to retake for grade improvement or credit recovery most academic courses if they received a "D" or an "F". Please see your Counselor to discuss your eligibility and options.

7.When are GPA and rank calculated?
GPA and rank are calculated twice per year - at the end of 1st semester and at the end of the school year. The only exception is Senior year. At the conclusion of 1st semester, both GPA and rank will be recalculated for seniors. Rank will not be recalculated again at the end of the year for seniors. Only a senior's GPA will be recalculated at the end of the school year.

8.My student wants to join a club. Where can I find a list of club options?
Click here: https://www-bths.stjohns.k12.fl.us/clubs/