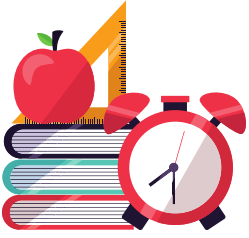




September 2026



COUNSELOR CONNECTION



Counselors in September

We hope your school year is off to an amazing start. Continue to work hard, get connected, and make this the best school year ever and don't forget to smile and say hi to new faces you see around campus. We are Bartram; built on great standards where everyone feels welcome.

This month your BTHS school counselors will be going into all Freshman English classes to present a lesson covering important topics about graduation requirements, GPA, community service hours and tips on navigating high school.

We will also begin meeting individually with Seniors to review their senior credit check and ensure they are meeting all of their graduation requirements. More information on dates is listed below.

Counselor Assignments



Starting the 26-27 School Year, all school counselors will serve students 9th - 12th grades.

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ALL COUNSELOR OFFICES ARE IN THE MAIN OFFICE AREA NOW. LOOK FOR THE "GUIDANCE" SIGN WHEN COMING FROM THE COURTYARD



JOIN OUR SCHOOL COUNSELING
SCHOOLGY GROUP

CODE: VXTV-WZ8T-KXHHV

Fall Virtual Presentations

September 29th

4pm

The fall virtual presentations will be a series of power point presentations posted to the School Counseling page of the BTHS website.

Each presentation will highlight important information for students and families grades 9th - 12th.

BTHS School Counselors keep an open door policy during 4th period for the convenience of all students. Be sure to stop by if you have something quick you need to discuss with your counselor.

Counselors in the Courtyard

9/16

Topic:
Student Involvement

Senior Credit Check Schedule

(through senior English courses)

B. Smith - 9/28

Coleman - 10/2

Radaker - 10/6

*Seniors without an English course at BTHS (DE, FLVS, etc.), will sign up using a "Sign Up Genius" link posted on Schoology for a 10 minute slot on one of the follow dates:

10/8

10/9

COLLEGE & MILITARY VISITS

(located in the courtyard during all lunches)

9/3 - Eckerd College

9/3 - Rutgers University

9/4 - FL Polytechnic

9/4 - Palm Beach Atlantic University

9/8 - US Marines

October 1st

Bright Futures Application
Opens
&
FAFSA Opens

STUDY TIPS

- Have a dedicated study space
- Minimize distractions
- Manage your time effectively
- Prioritize your schoolwork
- Stay organized - use a planner or an online calendar
- Start working on bigger projects and assignments early
- Study early and often
- Ask for help



IMPORANT COLLEGE APPLICATION INFORMATION

BTHS Students will no longer have to connect their Common App to Xello.

How does a student request transcripts be sent to the college/university they are applying to?

Applications through Common App

Students will have to add their counselor in their Common App.

Applications direct through the College/University

Students will have to request a transcript through parchment (\$5/transcript)

Need a Transcript?



<https://www.parchment.com/u/registration/9276/institution>



NACAC National College Fair Jacksonville
September 26 @ 9:00 am - 1:00 pm EDT

STAY INFORMED!

- School Counseling Webpage
- Monthly Newsletter
- Schoology Posts (students)
- Parent Square

DUAL ENROLLMENT **SJR State**

Spring Registration will begin in October.

There will be announcements made when the registration packets are available in the guidance office.

Important Dates

September 7th

Labor Day - no school

September 10th

School Counsleors out of office at a conference

September 29th

Virtual Presentations go live on the School Counseling Webpage

Community Service Hours

Students need to submit their community service hours once they earn them to avoid turning them in at the last minute during senior year. Service hour information on the BTHS website.

Ask a School Counselor

Q: If a student has free periods in the afternoon, can they sign up for technical school classes? If so, how do they do that? It says to ask a counselor on the flyer.

A: SJCSD students are able to dual enroll with First Coast Technical College (usually starting in their junior year). Applications are typically available in November and due in February. Please feel free to look at their website to explore the program they offer and be ready to submit your application once it is available.

Q: When does the application for Bright Futures open and how does my student complete it?

A: The Bright Futures application opens October 1st for current seniors. This scholarship money is not first come, first serve. The school counselors will be working with seniors through their English class (or a make up session if they do not have an English class in person at BTHS) to complete the application during the month of October.

Q: My student did not pass the 10th grade FAST, what other opportunities are there for meeting this graduation requirement?

A: The state of Florida has two tests that are required to PASS in order to graduate high school (10th grade FAST & Algebra 1 EOC). Your student's counselor will be sure that they are on the retake list each time it is available. However, for each test, there are certain concordant scores on other tests that can be used in place of a passing score on those test. These tests include the PSAT, SAT, ACT, CLT. Contact your student's school counselor for a full list of the concordant scores needed.

New this year, we encourage you to submit questions that you have for the school counselors to be featured and answered in the following month's newsletter.

These questions should be general and not student specific.

Please use this link or scan this QR code to submit a question.

[CLICK HERE FOR QUESTION SUBMISSION LINK](#)



Florida State University System Application Deadlines

School	Admission Type	Application Deadline	Supporting Materials Deadline
Florida A&M University	Early Action	November 1	November 14
	Regular Decision	February 1	February 14
	Rolling Admission	May 1	May 1
Florida Gulf Coast University	Early Action	November 1	November 15
	Regular Decision	March 1	no date provided
Florida International University	Early Action	November 1	November 1
	Final	March 2	March 2
Florida Polytechnic University	Early Action 1	November 15	no date provided
	Early Action 2	January 15	no date provided
	Regular Decision	March 1	no date provided
	Rolling Admissions	May 1	no date provided
Florida State University	Early Action	October 15	October 22
	Regular Decision	December 1	December 8
	Rolling Admissions	March 1	March 8
New College of Florida	Early Action	November 1	November 15
	Priority Decision	February 1	Rolling
	Regular Decision	April 1	Rolling
	Rolling Admissions	Rolling	Rolling
University of Central Florida	Early Action	October 15	November 15
	Regular Decision	May 1	May 1

School	Admission Type	Application Deadline	Supporting Materials Deadline
University of Florida	Early Decision	October 15	October 22
	Early Action	November 1	November 8
	Regular Decision	January 15	January 22
University of North Florida	Early Admissions	September 2	September 2
	Priority Admissions	November 18	November 18
	Standard Admissions	December 16	December 16
	Final Admissions	April 1	April 15
University of South Florida	Early Action	November 2	November 16
	Regular Decision	December 16	January 15
	Rolling Admissions	March 1	March 15
University of West Florida	Regular Decision	April 1	April 1

What are the different types of admissions applications?

Application Type	Binding?	Best for students who...
Early Action	No	want an early answer without committing
Early Decision	Yes	have a clear first-choice college
Regular/Standard Decision	No	want more time to improve applications
Rolling Admissions	No	apply early and want quick decisions
Priority Decision	No	are seeking maximum consideration for admission, scholarships, and housing

testing information



Sept. 15 - FAST Retakes

[11th and 12th graders only]

Students who need to retake the FAST, will be identified and sent a pass for testing.

Sept. 29 - EOC testing

Students who need to take or retake an EOC, will be identified and sent a pass for testing.

Email Ms. Teuscher with any questions.
leanna.teuscher@stjohns.k12.fl.us

testing information



SAT

(all tests are digital)

Test Date	Registration Deadline
September 12	August 28
October 3	September 18
November 7	October 23
December 5	November 20
March 6	February 19
May 1	April 16
June 5	May 21

ACT

(tests at BTHS are PAPER BASED)

Test Date	Registration Deadline
September 19	August 14
October 17	September 11
December 12	November 6
February 27	January 22
April 10	March 5
June 12	May 7
July 10	June 4

Register at www.collegeboard.org
BTHS School Code = 100809
BTHS Test Center Code = 10614

Register at www.act.org
BTHS School Code = 100809
BTHS Test Center Code = 207930

Accommodations

Students who currently have an IEP, ELL or 504 Plan will not automatically receive accommodations for ACT, SAT, PSAT and AP Exams. There is an additional separate application process for requesting accommodations for both the College Board and ACT exams.

Find more information [HERE](#)



CLT

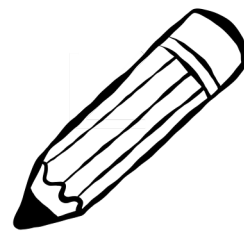
Students interested in taking the CLT will sign up for a test on the CLT website.

www.cltexam.com

Students must share CLT scores with their counselor via the CLT Website. Scan QR Code for a video walkthrough



PSAT/NMSQT



Bartram Trail High School is pleased to offer 9, 10, and 11 grade students the opportunity to take the PSAT/NMSQT (Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test) on

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2026



The PSAT/NMSQT is an essential step in college preparation. It offers students the opportunity to experience a college readiness exam and helps identify those who may benefit from advanced coursework. The PSAT mirrors the SAT in structure, timing, and content, providing excellent practice while evaluating essential skills in Reading, Writing, and Math—key areas for success in college and beyond. For Juniors, the PSAT/NMSQT serves as the qualifying exam for the National Merit Scholarship Program.

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SOPHOMORES

All BTHS Sophomores are automatically registered for the exam and will receive the PSAT at **no cost.**

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**FRESHMEN
AND JUNIORS**

Freshmen and Juniors must register and pay a \$22 testing fee. Registration and payment may be made at the SchoolPay link below. **The deadline to register is Monday, September 14, 2026, 11:59 p.m. Please note, there are limited seats for 9th and 11th grade students and they fill up quickly.**

SCHOOLPAY REGISTRATION LINK:



9th&11th Grade Registration -

<https://schoolpay.com/link/BTPSAT26>

Links will disable when seat capacity is reached.

Homeschooled students zoned for BTHS who are interested in taking the PSAT/NMSQT should contact Tonya Porter
Tonya.Porter@stjohns.k12.fl.us



Students download the Official Student Guide to the PSAT/NMSQT, which includes test information and a full-length practice test with answer keys.

The exam schedule for AP exams is available now [HERE](#)

*Advanced Placement
Testing
May 2027*

- Know your test dates. Keep in mind, test dates are determined solely by College Board. Late testing dates often coincide with graduation or may occur after graduation.
- Once you receive your join code from your AP teacher, join your class(es) through AP Classroom immediately. Joining AP classroom registers you for that specific exam.
- The Final Ordering Deadline for AP exams is: November 13, 2026, 12:00 p.m. Students who join past College Board's deadline will incur a late registration fee. This fee is imposed by College Board, but BTHS will collect it.
- Students who miss an exam may be subject to a minimum \$40 missed and/or late testing fee.
- Students must ensure they know how to log into College Board. Student's should begin to memorizethis information now.
- Students with approved 504 plans,ELL plans, and IEPs may apply for College Board accommodations-[HERE](#)

Several staff members oversee different exams. Have a question?
Know who to contact.

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WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN

ST. JOHNS VIRTUAL SCHOOL & FLORIDA VIRTUAL SCHOOL?



Part-Time Program

- Local St. Johns County District teachers
- Teachers have ability to visit students in person for support
- Physical building (on campus of First Coast Technical College in St. Augustine) open 8am-4pm Monday-Friday for support
- If need course reinstatement or help working with a teacher, SJVS admin can assist
- Teachers help students complete so courses are added on time to graduate/promote
- Placed in course with teacher in same day as request pending school counselor approval SJVS
- Registrar places courses on student schedule and transcript for zoned school



Flex Program

- Teachers located anywhere in the state of FL
- SJVS unable to place students in FLVS courses, length of wait time up to FLVS Registrar
- SJVS has no control over issues with FLVS teachers. Call FLVS helpline
- Zoned school registrar builds FLVS courses, taking longer to add courses to student schedule and transcript

Want more information on how to get started?

Visit our website: www.stjohnsvirtual.com

Call: 904-547-8080

Email: sjvs@stjohns.k12.fl.us

Try our courses and see
#TheStJohnsVirtualDifference



What's the Same?

St. Johns Virtual is a franchise of Florida Virtual, meaning we use the exact same platform and coursework as FLVS. The rigor, acceptability for college admissions, and policies for academic integrity are identical. Both schools allow students to take courses year-