

Bernards High School

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PROFILE

2020-2021



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Established in 1904

COMMUNITY

The Somerset Hills School District is located in a rural, suburban setting in the northernmost section of Somerset County, 35 miles west of New York City, with a population of over 10,000 residents. Bernards High School serves over 800 students in grades 9 to 12 from Bernardsville, Far Hills, Peapack-Gladstone and Bedminster; 197 students graduated in the Class of 2020.

ACCREDITATION

Bernards High School is accredited by the New Jersey Department of Education and is a member of the College Entrance Examination Board and the National Association for College Admission Counseling.

FACULTY

The professional staff includes 102 teachers, counselors, librarians/media specialists, and special educators. Eighty-five percent of the faculty hold advanced degrees. Four (4) counselors work with students and groups in academic, career and personal matters. The counseling staff is supported by the Student Assistance Counselor, the Child Study Team, the Intervention and Referral Services Team and the 504 Committee.

STUDENTS

Bernards High School students actively participate in school activities in many areas:

- More than 65% of the student body participates on one or more of the 29 interscholastic teams
- All of the students participate in community service activities
- The students produce award-winning newspaper, yearbook, and literary magazine publications
- Students compete in academic competitions in science, mathematics, world languages, and debate
- High quality vocal and instrumental programs lead to student participation in All-State and Regional performance groups
- There are two major theatrical performances per year
- Students compete in art and photography competitions
- Student Council and class officer groups regularly meet with administration to strategize and plan
- Ethnic breakdown: 65% White, 20% Hispanic, 5% Asian, 10% Black/Multi-racial/Other
- Madrigals and Jazz Band are auditioned, award-winning musical ensembles

CLASS OF 2020

POST-SECONDARY.....91%
 Four Year Colleges.....82%
 Two Year Colleges.....9%
 Military.....0.5%
 Employment/Other.....9%

NATIONAL MERIT PROGRAM

<i>Class of 2019</i>	<i>Class of 2020</i>
1 Semi-Finalist	1 Semi-Finalist/Winner
7 Commended Students	7 Commended Students

ADVANCED PLACEMENT SCORES

(May/June 2020)

% with scores of 3 or Higher

Art 2-D	100
Biology	76
Calculus AB	64
Calculus BC	74
Chemistry	88
Computer Science A	75
Comp Science Principles	80
Economics – Macro	68
Economics – Micro	66
English Language	95
English Literature	79
Environmental Science	50
French Language	100
Physics 1	57
Physics C: M	91
Physics C: E/M	95
Psychology	80
Spanish Language	91
Statistics	60
US Govt and Politics	83
US History	87
World History	78
European History	92

AP SCHOLARS

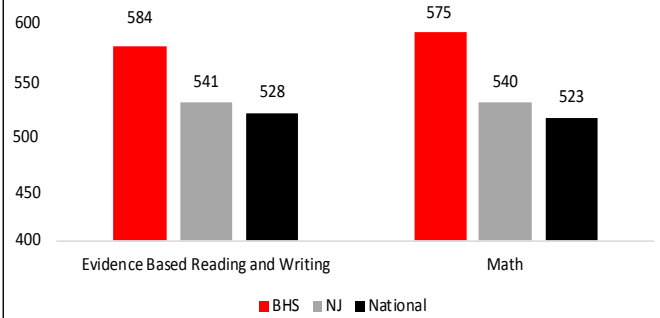
- 1 AP International Diploma
- 17 National AP Scholars
- 65 AP Scholars with Distinction
- 24 AP Scholars with Honor
- 48 AP Scholars



SAT SCORES

Total Tested: 150 (cohort)

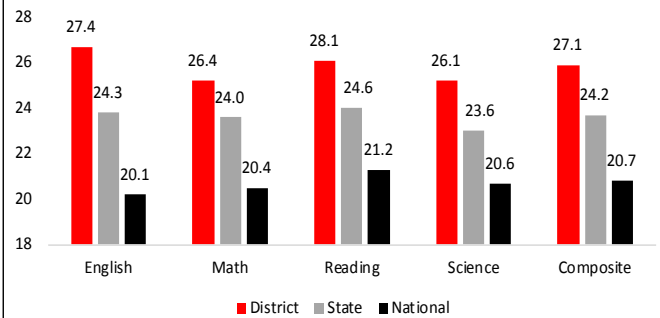
Mean Scores - Students' Highest Individual Scores



ACT SCORES

Total Tested: 116

Mean Scores - Students' Highest Individual Scores



STUDENT ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

GRADING SCALE

Grading Scale	Quality Points	Honors	AP
97-100=A+	4.33	4.83	5.33
93-96=A	4.00	4.50	5.00
90-92=A-	3.67	4.13	4.67
87-89=B+	3.33	3.83	4.33
83-86=B	3.00	3.50	4.00
80-82=B-	2.67	3.13	3.67
77-79=C+	2.33	2.83	3.33
73-76=C	2.00	2.50	3.00
70-72=C-	1.67	2.13	2.67
67-69=D+	1.33	1.33	1.33
63-66=D	1.00	1.00	1.00
60-62=D-	0.67	0.67	0.67
0-59=F	0.00	0.00	0.00

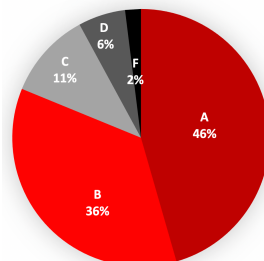
SIX SEMESTER WEIGHTED GPAS

Class of 2020

GPA	2020
Above 4.5	4%
4.5 - 4.0	26%
3.9 - 3.5	26%
3.4 - 3.0	25%
2.9 - 2.5	9%
2.4 - 2.0	7%
Below 1.9	3%
Median GPA	3.58
Total # Students	219

Bernards High School does not rank

11th GRADE DISTRIBUTION -- CLASS OF 2020



English

Social Studies

Math

Science

World Languages

The high school has a long tradition of academic excellence, preparing students for college and the workplace, balanced with a strong elective program in vocal and performing music, theatre, publications, and design and technology. The typical academic load is 7-8 courses. A full year course equals 5, 6, or 7 credits; a half-year course equals 2.5 credits. Up through the 2019-2020 school year, classes were 42 minutes in length. We have moved to a modified rotating block schedule with 56 minute long periods. *This Fall, the daily bell schedule has been abbreviated to a half-day schedule due to COVID-19.*

To graduate, students must complete the following:

- Four years of English
- Three years each of Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies
- One year each of World Language and Visual/Performing Arts
- One year of physical education for every year enrolled in Bernards High School
- One semester of Technology and Research, and one additional semester of Technology
- One semester of Financial Literacy
- One quarter each of Life Skills 1 and Life Skills 2
- 10 hours of service-learning for each year enrolled in Bernards High School

PROGRAM OF STUDIES

ENGLISH

AP

Composition & Language
Composition & Literature

Honors

English I, II, III, IV

Accelerated

English I, II, III, IV
Introduction to Journalism
Advanced Journalism
Publications
Creative Writing
Public Speaking
Debate

Academic

English 1, 2, 3, 4
Beginning English ESL
Intermediate English ESL
Techniques of Writing
Skills Improvement Program

VISUAL/PERFORMING

ARTS

AP

Studio Art
Digital Photography/IID

Honors

Advanced Art
Jazz Ensemble
Madrigals

Accelerated

Orchestra
Band
Chorus
Concert Choir
Theatre Arts I, II
Acting Troupe
Music Tech I, II
Music Theory I, II
Art I, II
PhotoShop
Digital Photography
Digital Imaging
Photo Workshop

SCIENCE

AP

Biology
Chemistry
Environmental Science
Physics 1
Physics 2
Physics C

Honors

Biology
Chemistry
Physics
Anatomy & Physiology

Accelerated

Biology
Chemistry
Physics
Environmental Science
Anatomy & Physiology

Academic

Biology
Chemistry
Physics
Anatomy for Life

WORLD LANGUAGES

AP

French Language
Latin
Spanish Language

Honors

French III, IV
Latin III, IV
Spanish III, IV
Culture & Communication

Accelerated

French I, II, III, IV
Latin I, II
Spanish I, II, III, IV

Academic

Spanish Language 1
Spanish Language 2

MATHEMATICS

AP

Calculus AB
Calculus BC
Statistics
Computer Science A
Computer Principles

Honors

Geometry
Algebra II
PreCalculus
Calculus

Accelerated

Algebra I, II
Geometry
Probability & Statistics
Pre-Calculus

Academic

Algebra 1, 2
Algebra I, II
Geometry
Math Concepts
Skills Improvement Program

TECHNOLOGY

Accelerated

Technology & Research
Web Page Design
Multimedia Technology 1,2,3,4
Architectural Drafting
Introductory Woodworking
Advanced Wood Processes
Machine Woods
Cabinet Making & Manufacturing
Engineering & Problem Solving
Engineering II

SOCIAL STUDIES

AP

Economics (Macro & Micro)
European History
Psychology
US Government & Politics
US History
World History

Honors

World History
US History I, II

Accelerated

World History
US History I, II
Psychology
Economics
Sociology
20th Century History through Film
Popular Music in US History
Comparative World Religions
Global Politics & Conflicts
Contemporary Global Issues

Academic

World History
US History I, II

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Study Skills
Beginning ESL
Intermediate ESL
Financial Literacy
Leadership Development & College Readiness

VIRTUAL ACADEMY

Accounting
Anthropology
Art History
Astronomy
AP Latin
AP Music Theory
Differential Equations
Engineering Principles
International Business
Marketing & the Internet
Multi-Variable Calculus
Pre-Veterinary Science
Russian
Zoology & Botany

BHS Graduates Enrolled in Post Secondary Education

Graduates of the Classes of 2019 and 2020 matriculated at the following colleges/universities :

American International College	Goucher College	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
The University of Arizona	University of Guelph	Rice University
Barnard College	Hamilton College	Rider University
Berklee College of Music	Hartwick College	Roanoke College
Boston College	College of the Holy Cross	University of Rhode Island
Boston University	Indiana University at Bloomington	University of Rochester
Brigham Young University	Ithaca College	Rollins College
Brown University	Johns Hopkins University	Rowan University
Bucknell University	Kean University	Rutgers University-New Brunswick
University of California, Los Angeles	Keystone College Lafayette College	Sacred Heart University
University of California, San Diego	Lehigh University	San Diego State University
Carnegie Mellon University	Louisiana State University	Savannah College of Art and Design
Case Western Reserve	Loyola Marymount University	School of Visual Arts
University of Central Florida	Loyola State University	The University of Scranton
Centenary University	Loyola University Maryland	Seton Hall University
Champlain College	Lynn University	Sienna College
Chapman University	Marquette University	Smith College
Colby College	University of Maryland, College Park	University of South Carolina
Colgate University	Mass. College of Art & Design	University of South Florida, Tampa
College of Charleston	Mass. College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences	University of Southern California
University of Connecticut	University of Massachusetts, Amherst	Southern Methodist University St.
Clemson University	University of Massachusetts, Boston	Elizabeth University
University of Colorado at Boulder	Miami University, Oxford	St. John's University
Columbia University	University of Miami	Stevens Institute of Technology
Community College of Rhode Island	Michigan State University	Stony Brook University
Cornell University	University of Michigan	Susquehanna University
County College of Morris	Middlebury College	Syracuse University
Dartmouth College	Misericordia University	University of Tampa
University of Delaware	University of Mississippi	University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Denison University	Montclair State University	The University of Texas, Austin
Drew University	Moravian College	University of Toronto
Drexel University	Muhlenberg College	Towson University
Duke University	New College of Florida	Trinity College
Elizabethtown College	University of New Haven	Tufts University
Elon University	New Jersey Institute of Technology	Tulane University
Emory University	The College of New Jersey	United States Military Academy
Fairfield University	New York University	Vanderbilt University
Fairleigh Dickinson University - Florham	Northeastern University	University of Vermont
Fairleigh Dickinson University - Metro.	Northwestern University	Villanova University
Florida Atlantic College	University of Notre Dame	Virginia Tech
Florida State University	Oberlin College of Arts & Science	University of Virginia
University of Florida	The Ohio State University	Wake Forest University University
Fordham University	Oklahoma State University	of Washington, Seattle Washington
Franklin & Marshall College	University of Oregon	& Lee University Washington
George Mason University	Pace University, New York City	University in St. Louis Wellesley
The George Washington University	Pennsylvania State University	College
Georgetown University	University of Pennsylvania	Wentworth Institute of Technology
Georgia Institute of Technology	University of Pittsburgh	West Virginia University
Gettysburg College	Pratt Institute	William Paterson University
	Princeton University	University of Wisconsin, Madison
	Providence College	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
	Quinnipiac University	
	Ramapo College of New Jersey	
	Raritan Valley Community College	
