

Attention Juniors!!!!

Below is a list of things **ALL Juniors** should know.

1. **PSAT Exam:** The PSAT exam is given at BHS every October. Sign up with Mrs. Sween in the Auxiliary Building/Finance office. The cost is \$18.00. Sign ups begin September 9th. Only Juniors are allowed to sign up the first 2 weeks and then it opens up to other grade levels. There are only 125 spots available. The deadline is Oct. 4, 2019. The exam is Wednesday, Oct. 16th in the BHS multi-use room @ 7:40 a.m. This is the qualifying test for Juniors for National Merit Scholarship. It also serves as an indicator of how well you might perform on the SAT's.

2. **SAT's:** If you are planning on applying to a 4-year college or university, you must take the SAT. All major colleges and universities (not community colleges) require you to take the SAT Reasoning Test. If you are applying to a University of California (UC) campus, you may also need to take the SAT Subject Tests if you are applying for a competitive major. You should begin taking your SAT exam in January 2020. To register, go to www.collegeboard.org or www.sat.org/register

Upcoming Dates: **December 7, 2019**

December 8, 2019

March 14, 2020

*** May 2, 2020**

May 3, 2020

June 6, 2020

Registration Deadline: 11/8/2019 @ BHS

For students who cannot test on Saturdays due to religious practice – Please see your School Counselor for procedure.

Registration Deadline: 2/14/2020 @ BHS

Registration Deadline: 4/3/2020 @ BHS

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Registration Deadline: 5/8/2020 Not @ BHS

* If you are taking AP classes, you should take SAT Subject Tests in May. Check on UC Admissions website to see if your intended school & major require Subject Tests.

<http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/freshman/requirements/examination-requirement/SAT-subject-tests/index.html>

3. **ASVAB:** Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery – If you plan to enlist in the military, these scores are used to determine if you are qualified and to assign you to an appropriate job in the military. Sign up in the Counseling/Front Office starting Sept.16th through Sept.30th. Test date is Oct. 2, 2019 @ 8:10am. No fee required. (There will be another one offered March 4, 2020)

4. **Cerro Coso Career Exploration Day:** Open to **Juniors & Seniors** only. Tuesday, October 22nd from 8:30-1:00pm. Students who are on the list to attend will be excused from class at 8:10am to load the buses at BHS. They will be transported to and from CCCC by Sierra Sands Unified School District buses. Permission slips can be obtained in the Counseling Center Office beginning Oct. 1st. Your name does not go on the official list until your completed & signed permission slip is turned in. The deadline to turn in permission slips is Oct. 14, 2019.

5. **College Tour:** This year's College Tour will take place mid February 2020. To qualify for this trip, you must be on a track to be university eligible, have a 3.0 cumulative academic GPA, and be currently enrolled in a college preparatory curriculum. Letters will be sent out in October to Juniors, who meet these criteria, inviting them to attend this year's trip. Limited to 50 students. (Cost approx. \$400.00 per student)

6. **Community Colleges vs. Trade/Technical Schools:** Many junior colleges offer specialized trade and technical programs for a fraction of the costs of a trade/technical school. If you are planning on pursuing a trade/technical education, see your counselor for how to access the California Community College website to see which campuses may offer your trade/technical program.

COLLEGE ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS AND CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM THE COUNSELING DEPARTMENT

We get lots of requests from students and parents regarding college entrance requirements and career technical education. Please check out the following information:

Minimum College Admission Requirements for Cal State/U.C. (A-G requirements)

- 2 years of history/social science (including one year of World History; and one year of US History or one-half year of US History and one-half year of American Government/Civics)
- 4 years/8 semesters of college prep English
- 3 years of college prep Math (must include Algebra CP or Algebra 1, Geometry, and Algebra 2)
- 2 years of a lab Science (must include two of the three: Biology, Chemistry, Physics)
- 2 years of the same foreign language
- 1 year of the same fine art such as Art 1 & 2, Drama 1 & 2, Orchestra, Symph Band, Con Choir, Dig Multi Design
- 1 year of college prep electives (usually more English, science, math, social studies, fine arts, or foreign language that was not used in the other requirements)

*Remember, all grades for college admission requirements must be a C or better. They do not recognize a D or an F in a class.

*Please check the course description guide for a list of our classes that meet the UC/Cal State entrance requirements. SAT Reasoning Test is required for both Cal State and U.C.; U.C. also may require that students take subject area tests if applying for a competitive major.

Admission to Community College

All students planning to attend a two year college will need to take placement tests. The student should contact the school they are planning to attend. Cerro Coso comes to B.H.S. in the spring to meet with students planning to start there after graduation from Burroughs. Students without a high school diploma are eligible to attend a two year college if they are 18 years of age.

Important Web Sites

- www2.calstate.edu (home page for all Cal State Universities)
- www2.calstate.edu/apply (how to plan and apply to a Cal State)
- www.universityofcalifornia.edu (home site for University of California)
- www.ucop.edu/admissions (U.C. information on admissions)
- www.cccco.edu (California Community College system)
- www.cerrocoso.edu (home page for Cerro Coso Community College)
- www.californiacolleges.edu/#/ (college and career information for California)
- www.collegeboard.org (registration for the SATs)
- www.ncaaclearinghouse.net (you must register if you want to play sports at Div. 1 or Div. 2 colleges)
- www.cde.ca.gov/ci/ct (to learn more about career technical education (C.T.E.))
- www.fastweb.com (the leading online resource in finding scholarships to help you pay for school)

Career Technical Education (C.T.E.)

C.T.E. engages all students in a dynamic and seamless learning experience resulting in their mastery of the career and academic knowledge and skills necessary to become productive, contributing members of society. Burroughs offers many career technical education courses (see the course description guide for information).

Your student's counselor will be happy to answer your questions or to meet with you to discuss any concerns you have. We are also happy to meet with you and your student to discuss graduation requirements and college admission requirements, or C.T.E. Please call us for an appointment at 499-1800, ext 4003. Our guidance technician will help you schedule an appointment. You are also welcome to email us.