

Hall's Corner

November 22, 2019

Report Card Grades for quarter 1 WERE posted to the Student/Parent Portal on 11/19!!!!

JANUARY 2020 EXAM SCHEDULE for 1/21 – 1/24

Check out this link!

<https://www.bcsd.org/cms/lib/NY02212067/Centricity/Domain/109/January%20Exam%20Week%20Schedule%20Final%2011-21-19.pdf>

June 2020 Exam Dates! Mark your calendars now!

Regents Exams are scheduled to be given June 17 – June 25, 2020 and students must take their exams during this time period.

Non-Regents Final Exams will also be given during this time. Please plan accordingly.

The Regents Exam schedule can be found at the link below.

A full schedule of June exams at BHS will be available by February 15, 2020.

RED CROSS BLOOD DONATION DRIVE

The semi-annual BHS Leadership Seminar Blood Drive will be held Saturday, December 7 from 9 a.m.- 2 p.m. in the high school cafeteria. Please call 1-800 RED CROSS or go to www.redcrossblood.org to make your lifesaving appointment.

Walk-ins are welcome, and all of this drive's donors will receive a \$5 Amazon.com gift card!

Music Department Mattress Fundraiser

This Saturday, November 22nd, the music department is hosting a fundraiser for our trip to NYC in the spring. I've enclosed the flier. Everyone needs a good night sleep, so come and buy a new mattress!

For more information regarding this special fundraiser please click [here](#).

Brighton Believes

Integrity, Respect, Responsibility, Kindness, and Self-control

BHS believes that everyone has the right to attend school in an environment that is safe, welcoming, caring, professional, and free from harassment.

Topics this week

- **VAPING UPDATE – a powerful news story and podcast!**
Check out this recent news story about a Victor teen and his vaping nightmare...

<https://13wham.com/news/local/victor-teen-recounts-vaping-nightmare>

Check out this podcast on JUUL from the NY Times

<https://www.nytimes.com/2019/10/30/podcasts/the-daily/juul-dangers.html>

- **Students in the News – Check this out!**
- **Counseling News**
 - College Visits for next week
- **Early Release Day on 12/13/19 – Plan ahead!**
- **Peak Experience Opportunity—Summer, 2020**
- **Athletic News**
- **Calendar of Future Events – check this out for November & December!**

UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>
November 23	Music Mattress Fundraiser, TCMS	10:00 AM-4:00 PM
November 27-29	Thanksgiving Recess, School Closed	
December 3	BHS Orchestra Concert, at TCMS Auditorium	7:00 PM
December 4	BHS Vocal Concert, at FRES Cafetorium	7:00 PM
December 4	Brighton Parents of Color Support Group, Admin.	7:00-8:15 PM
December 5	Concert Bands and Jazz Ensemble Concert, at TCMS Auditorium	7:00 PM
December 7	SAT Exam	8:00 AM
December 10	Parents Support Group for Students with Anxiety, Admin.	7:00-8:30 PM
December 13	K-12 Early Release Day	
December 14	ACT Exam	8:00 AM
December 20	BHS Class of 2019 Reunion	3:00 PM
December 23-January 6	Holiday Recess (School Closed—Resumes Monday, Jan. 6, 2020!	10:47 AM Dismissal

STUDENTS IN THE NEWS

**Crossroads, Galaxy, and Trapezoid Earn Top Honors at ESSPA Conference!
YOU ALL MAKE BHS PROUD!**

Three BHS publications once again earned top honors at the Empire State School Press Association's conference in October. The awards ceremony, which was held at Syracuse University's Newhouse School of Public Communications, recognizes excellence in student publications. The 2019 awards reflect the students' work during the 2018-19 school year.

Galaxy (BHS' literary magazine), Trapezoid (BHS' newspaper), and Crossroads (BHS' yearbook) all received Gold Awards for Best All-Around Publication, the highest honor a publication can receive in New York. Many staff members of each publication also received individual awards.

Trapezoid received the Gold Award for Best All-Around Newspaper, Most Improved Publication, and Best Online Publication. Individual Gold Awards went to: **Austin Smith** and **Grant Ashley** for Service to School; **Chase Cohen** for Designer (Portfolio); and **Madelaine Hastings** and **Nadia Alzoubi** for Editorial Cartoon (Portfolio). Individual Silver Awards went to: **Tanya Herrmann** for Editorial Cartoon (Portfolio); **Jyla Serfino** for Review Writing (Portfolio); **Bizzy Merz, Henry Berger, Aelis Spiller, and Cole Kuczek** for Editorial Page; **Hridesh Singh** and **Salman Syed** for Feature Layout (Portfolio); **Sean Lee** for Feature Photograph; **Finn Mahan** and **Andrew Guo** for News Writing; and **Finn Mahan** for Sports Feature. Individual Bronze Awards went to: **Patrick Boese** for Review Writing (Portfolio); **Nitin Chockalingam, KyunJun Hwang, Aelis Spiller, and Cole Kuczek** for Editorial Page; **Sean Lee** for News Photographer; **Cooper Cohen** for Feature Photograph; and **Hassan Mohiuddin** for Sports Feature. Individual Honorable Mention Awards went to: **Peter McGowan** for Review Writing; **Esma Okutan** for In-Depth Coverage; **Sean Lee** for News Photographer; and **Sean Lee** for Photographer (Portfolio). In the ESSPA's On-Site Write-off Contest, **Alice Yawman** placed first, **Andrew Guo** placed second, **Finn Mahan** placed third, and **Oren Poleshuck Kinel** received honorable mention. In the On-Site Photo Shootout, **Josie Hastings** received honorable mention. Trapezoid is advised by Dr. Molly Healy.

Galaxy received the Gold Award for Best All-Around Literary Magazine. Individual Gold Awards went to: **Ella Lyons** for Non-Fiction; **Anna Pikul** and **Kiki Szende** for Layout; and **Harrison Atwater** for Poetry. Individual Silver Awards went to: **Ekaterina Maisheva** and **Maya Finnigan** for poetry. Individual Bronze Awards went to: **Avi Van Edwards** for Artwork/Illustration; **Kiki Szende** for Fiction; **Julia Lako** for Photography; and **Emilia Delvecchio, Miya Libman, and Sophia Scaravillo** for Poetry. Individual Honorable Mention Awards went to: **Harrison Atwater** and **Sophia Scaravillo** for Artwork/Illustration; **Maya Finnigan** for Fiction; and **Harrison Atwater** for Poetry. Galaxy is advised by Becky Wiggins.

Crossroads received the Gold Award for Best All-Around Yearbook. Crossroads is advised by Jennilyn Pickering.

KUDOS TO THE BHS VIRTUAL ENTERPRISE (VE) CLASSES

BHS offers the national Virtual Enterprise course where students create a business and simulate the workings of an entire business organization. The Top 200 VE firms based on the most recent sales was announced recently. Both of Brighton's VE classes were recognized! KUDOS to BHS VE Classes **Designer Drip** and **InTents Camping** and Business teacher Mr. Rizzo!

COUNSELING NEWS

COLLEGE AND CAREER MONDAYS FOR SENIORS – CLASS OF 2020!

SENIORS: GET HELP ON YOUR POST-SECONDARY PLANNING

Just a friendly reminder that the January 1st Registrar Deadline is DECEMBER

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after Thanksgiving Break. **January 15th applications are due to the Registrar's office December 18th.** Please remember to:

- Make sure your college application deadlines are correct in Naviance.
- Follow up with your teachers who are writing your letters of rec. Be sure they know the registrar date is fast approaching.

We are still open for support during College & Career Mondays until winter break, 3-6pm in Computer Lab 265. We also have amazing Instant Decision opportunities just around the corner- you do NOT need to have applied prior to these events! This is a great way to have a face to face conversation with the admissions rep and get a decision on the spot! You can sign up for these in the Registrar's Office:

Career Exploration, Application Questions, Essay Revisions, Updating Resumes, Naviance, and more!

Instant Decision Opportunities:

St. Bonaventure University- Nov. 25

MCC-Dec. 2

Alfred University-Dec. 9

St. John Fisher-Dec. 16

Please use this link for access to the Counseling Department page: <https://www.bcsd.org/Page/2070>

EARLY RELEASE DAY and BUSSING

Twelve Corners Middle School and Brighton High School staff will do professional development on Dec. 13. TCMS classes will end at 10:46 a.m. and BHS classes will end at 10:47 a.m. on that day. Buses will leave campus at 10:55 a.m. All students must exit the building by 10:55 a.m. Buses normally leave at 2:55 p.m., so you can expect the same amount of travel time on that day. For example, if your child currently arrives home at 3:20 p.m., count on them arriving home around 11:20 a.m. on our early dismissal day.

Upcoming Opportunity--Peak Experience Adventure-in Gunnison National Forest,

Colorado This summer, from July 7th through July 17th, 2020, BHS students will have an opportunity to travel to Gunnison National Forest in Colorado for an eight-day adventure. Over the course of the trip, students will white water raft, rock climb, participate in low and high ropes course activities, and backpack. Rope course activities include zip lines, power poles, repelling, and "The Screamer". The three-day backpack traverses through the Gunnison National Forest where we will climb mountains over 13,000 feet high. Weather permitting, one of our peak ascents will be at dawn, which is a truly amazing experience. Current eighth graders through juniors are eligible for the trip, and spots are limited. If you are interested in joining the group, and would like more information on the activities and cost of the trip, please contact Jamie Porta (the Outdoor Club advisor) at jamie_porta@bcsd.org.

ATHLETIC NEWS

For the latest student athletic news, honors, and achievements, and recertification dates for WINTER SPORTS, please click on the following athletic webpage:

<https://www.sectionvny.org/public/genie/783/school/1607/>