

The BCHS Advanced Academics Options

For current 10th graders as they prepare to select courses for 2020-2021

Why Are You Here and What Is Our Objective Today?

Why:

- You are selected to be here because of your academic potential/abilities

What:

- Understanding PSAT, SATpractice.org, AP courses, Dual Enrollment courses, AP Capstone program, College Acceptance Requirements, and Bright Futures Scholarship Criteria
- Preparing for you to select the courses you will take in 20-21 and as a senior
- Preparing you for college/university readiness and acceptance

Scheduling Process/Timelines for 20-21:

- Assistant Principal visits to World History classes last week
- Mr. Vigue counsels all students (in small groups) who demonstrated AP potential (in one or more courses) 2/3 through 2/7
- Your current teachers should have reviewed their subject area course recommendations with you on 1/27 or 1/28
- 10th grade assembly for students with 2.3 or higher unweighted GPA on 2/3
- PERT (reading, writing, and math) for qualifying 10th graders on Wednesday, 2/5 – you will be released to test in the AM or PM, one chance only
- 10th grade course selections, 2/10-2/14, in World History (along with transcript reviews, Grad check, Raise.me, Link CB/Khan, PSAT, Career Exploration, Sophomore Survey, FL Shines, and Bright Futures)

PSAT and FREE Khan Academy SAT Preparation...

PSAT:

- Your PSAT results from October 2019, are available online through your College Board account and in your FOCUS Test History
- Your counselor has your College Board access code if you do not have it
- Results will show your strengths and areas for growth
- 11th grade PSAT results are used for \$180,000,000 national scholarship opportunities

Khan Academy SATpractice.org, counselors seminars (2/10-2/14) will:

- Help you create (or access) your Khan Academy SATpractice.org prep account
- Log into College Board to access your PSAT results
- Link your PSAT results to SAT Khan Academy – personalized learning will occur
- You should do as much online SATpractice.org as possible this spring, summer, next fall

BCHS College Level Courses...

ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP)

- HS Transcript only
- Standardized curriculum from College Board
- Open access to motivated students
- Only at HS
- No cost to student

DUAL ENROLLMENT (DE)

- HS & College Transcript
- Locally defined curriculum
- Minimum testing & GPA requirements
- At HS or SPC Campus
- No cost to student

AP Capstone Program...

- AP Capstone was developed by the College Board, with guidance from some of the best universities in our country with a purpose of developing HS students who are ready to read, write, study, and research at the level that colleges and universities require
- Two year program – you “sign up” for it simply by selecting the courses
 - AP Seminar – Grade 10 or 11
 - AP Research – Grade 11 or 12 (for students who took AP Seminar)
- Passing both exams = AP Capstone Seminar & Research Certificate
- Passing both exams + four other AP exams = AP Capstone Diploma

The BCHS College Credit Earning Courses...

English:	Mathematics:	Social Studies:	Science:	World Languages:	Other:	Education:
AP English Language (10 th or 11 th)	AP Calculus AB (11 th or 12 th)	AP Human Geography (9 th)	AP Environmental Science (10 th , 11 th , or 12 th)	AP Spanish Language (11 th or 12 th)	AP 2D Art Studio – Digital or Draw (11 th or 12 th)	*Introduction to Education (11 th or 12 th)
AP English Literature (11 th or 12 th)	AP Statistics (11 th or 12 th)	AP World History (10 th)	AP Biology (11 th or 12 th)	AP Spanish Literature (12 th)	AP 3D Art Studio (11 th or 12 th)	*Introduction to Diversity for Educators (11 th or 12 th)
*DE Composition I (11 th or 12 th)	AP Calculus BC (12 th)	AP US History (11 th)	AP Chemistry (11 th or 12 th)	***DE Elementary Spanish I (11 th or 12 th)	AP Art History (11 th or 12 th)	
*DE Composition II (11 th or 12 th)		AP Psychology (9 th , 10 th , 11 th , or 12 th)	AP Physics I (11 th or 12 th)	***DE Elementary Spanish II (11 th or 12 th)	AP Music Theory (11 th or 12 th)	
		AP European History (10 th , 11 th or 12 th)			AP Computer Science Principles (12 th)	
		AP Government (11 th or 12 th)			AP Capstone Seminar (10 th , 11 th , or 12 th)	
		*DE American National Government (11 th or 12 th)			AP Capstone Research (11 th or 12 th)	
		*DE World Religions (11 th or 12 th)			**DE College Experience (11 th or 12 th)	

*SPC DE English Composition I + II, American National Government, World Religions, and USF DE Intro to Education and Intro to Diversity for Educators require:

3.0 unweighted cumulative GPA

AND PERT reading subtest score of 106 or higher

AND PERT writing subtest score of 103 or higher

OR ACT reading score of 19+ and ACT English score of 17+

OR SAT reading score of 24+ AND writing and language score of 25+

**SPC DE College Experience requires:

2.5 unweighted GPA

AND the student must have taken all three PERT subtests (no minimum qualifying score needed)

***SPC DE Elementary Spanish I + II require:

3.0 unweighted GPA

AND the student must have taken all three PERT subtests (no minimum qualifying score needed)

BCHS Accelerated Course Pathways...

Subject Area:	Honors, AP and DE Course Options:
English ->	English Honors 3, English Honors 4, AP English Language Composition, AP English Literature, DE Composition I/DE Composition II
Mathematics ->	Probability and Stats Honors, Pre-calculus, AP Calculus AB, AP Statistics, AP Calculus BC
Science ->	Honors Astronomy, Marine Science Honors I, Marine Science Honors II, Chemistry Honors, AP Environmental Science, AP Biology, AP Chemistry, AP Physics I
Social Studies ->	US History Honors, AP US History, American Government/Economics Honors, AP American Government, DE American National Government/DE World Religions, AP Psychology, AP European History
Arts/Music ->	AP 2D Art Design, AP 3D Art Design, AP Art History, AP Music Theory
World Language ->	Spanish 3, Spanish 4, DE Elementary Spanish 1+II, AP Spanish Language, AP Spanish Literature
Education ->	Foundations of Curriculum and Instruction, USF DE Introduction to Education, USF DE Introduction To Diversity for Educators
Other ->	AP Capstone Seminar (10 th or 11 th), AP Capstone Research (11 th or 12 th), AP Computer Science Principles, DE College Experience

We have many other honors level courses in almost all subject areas

College and University Acceptance...

- Acceptance means...you apply and your “resume” determines whether or not you get accepted
- Colleges and universities look at your HS resume for:
 - What types of courses did he/she take; were they regular, honors, or AP/DE levels?
 - What kind of grades did he/she earn in those courses?
 - What is his/her unweighted and weighted core cumulative GPA?
 - How did he/she score on the ACT and/or SAT (best combined scores)?
- You should plan to take the PSAT next fall and your first ACT and SAT in the spring of your junior year
- Review the 2019 State University Matrix and Bright Futures Qualifications handouts you received last week in World History class

Next Steps and Questions?

- Visit <http://www.pcsb.org/bocaciega-hs> to review the following with your family:
 - This PowerPoint presentation
 - The BCHS 20-21 Curriculum Guide (the last page has a worksheet you use to pick classes)
 - Grade 10-12 Course selection sheet – review and complete
- Remember to report to your PERT testing location on Wednesday, 2/5:

Time (Wednesday, 2/5):	Periods:	Location:	Proctor:	Students alpha by last name:
7:10am-10:15am	1 and 3	4-347	Parker	10 th grade: AAA-CAN
7:10am-10:15am	1 and 3	4-351B	Clarke	10 th grade: CAO-FAR
7:10am-10:15am	1 and 3	4-343	Rafal	10 th grade: FAS-HOA
7:10am-10:15am	1 and 3	4-351	Shuman	10 th grade: HOB-LAU
10:52am-1:55pm	5 and 7	4-347	Koontz	10 th grade: LAV-MOC
10:52am-1:55pm	5 and 7	4-351B	Smith, C.	10 th grade: MOD-RAU
10:52am-1:55pm	5 and 7	4-343	Parras	10 th grade: RAV-TAL
10:52am-1:55pm	5 and 7	4-351	Turner	10 th grade: TAM-ZZZ

- Bring your completed 20-21 course selection sheet with you to your Counselor Seminar (it will be during your World History class, 2/10-2/14)
- Start doing 1-2 hours a week of SATpractice.org preparation (spring and summer)
- See your counselor to complete paperwork if you want your volunteer hours to count toward Bright Futures qualifications
- What questions do you have?