

# REDCOAT COUNSELOR

## COMMENTS

APRIL/MAY 2014

The BHS School Counseling Dept. supports the high school's mission to help all students

**ACHIEVE - The following events will take place in April & May:**

- **April 13, 2014 -**  
ACT testing at  
BHS 7am–  
12:30pm
- **April 14–18,**  
2014 - Spring  
Vacation
- **May 3, 2014 -**  
SAT testing  
7:30am–  
12:30pm
- **May 5-16, 2014 -**  
Advanced  
Placement  
Exams
- **May 15, 2014 -**  
UCONN ECE &  
Tunxis CCP  
course  
information  
evening - 7pm in  
Cafe
- **May 28, 2014 -**  
Awards Evening  
7pm
- **June 7 2014 -**  
SAT testing  
7:30am–  
12:30pm
- **June 10, 2014 -**  
Scholarship  
Evening - 7pm

## Important Events in School Counseling

### **School Counseling Programming during Advisory for the months of April & May**

The BHS School Counseling Department will deliver the following lessons during the Quarter 4 Advisory period on Fridays:

April 11 thru May 2nd - Juniors will meet with the counselors to complete a resume writing workshop/ lesson.



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May 9th - Sophomores will work with the counselors to finish up Interest Inventories.

May 16th - Juniors will meet with the counselors to finish any College Searches not completed.

May 23rd - Freshmen will meet with the counselors to finish any Personality Inventories not completed.

May 30th - all students will work on a reflection for the year.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Ramirez at 860-828-6577.

### **Junior College & Career Planning**

The BHS School Counselors will be working with their juniors on post-secondary plans. The counselors distributed passes to junior students during their US History classes and junior students will come to their counselor for a scheduled appointment to review their courses for the 2014-2015 school year and discuss options for their post-secondary plans. Juniors have also been exposed to College Searches through our Naviance online computer program. If you have any questions regarding your student's college/career planning, please feel free to contact your student's counselor.

### **Students As Employees**

The Connecticut Department of Labor requires all 16- and 17- year olds to obtain working papers in order to work within the state. A student must bring a promise of employment from their employer to Mrs. Stocking in the Main Office to obtain this necessary document. New working papers must be obtained for each new place of employment.

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# **UConn Early College Experience & Tunxis College Career Pathways Registration Evening – May 15, 2014**



**Students at Berlin High School now have the opportunity to obtain both high school and college credit through two different college credit programs:**

**The Early College Experience program, run through the University of Connecticut, is an opportunity for students to take UConn courses while still in high school. Berlin High School will offer 15 UConn ECE courses to its students for the 2014-2015 school year. These courses are taught by our own Berlin High School teachers who have been certified as adjunct faculty of the University of Connecticut.**

**UConn Early College Experience (ECE) is a concurrent enrollment program that allows motivated high school students to take UConn courses at their high schools for both high school and college credit. Every course taken through UConn ECE is equivalent to the same course at the University of Connecticut. Students are expected to maintain a “C” average and pass a university assessment to receive college credit.**

**The Tunxis College Career Pathways (CCP) is a collaborative Dual Credit program between area high schools and Tunxis Community College. It is designed to allow high school students to sample the rigor of college academics, and possibly earn college credit, while attending high school.**

**A Career Pathway is a series of courses that CCP students in their junior and senior year commit to taking in high school. Each pathway includes a designated math course, English/speech course, science course and a course or courses in a career area. The CCP courses meet the same level of rigor taught at the Tunxis Community College level. Students earn “dual credit” (credit from their high school and credit from TCC) provided they maintain a 75 average and pass a college department level assessment.**

**On Thursday, May 15<sup>th</sup> from 7-9pm in the high school cafeteria, Mrs. Ramirez will be holding an information and registration evening for those students and their parents who have signed up for either UConn courses or a series of courses related to Tunxis’s College Career Pathway programming through the scheduling process. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Ramirez at 860-828-6577 X163.**

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## Important Information for all Students

- As we enter the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, it is so important to do your very best to finish the school year successfully.
- Seniors need to bear in mind that allowing senioritis to creep in can be detrimental if grades decline, especially since colleges/universities are looking for final transcripts.
- It is important for all students to **pay attention to the attendance policy since credit can be denied if you are over the allotted number per full and half year courses.** Tardies are also averaged into absences; for every 2 tardies, it equals 1 absence added to the total number of overall absences.
- As the weather gets warmer over the next few months, please pay close attention to the student dress code and dress appropriately for school.

## Attention Juniors

Grade 11 college-bound students should plan to take the SATs at Berlin High School either on **May 3 or June 7.** **Students can still register under the "late" deadline for the May SATs by April 21<sup>th</sup>.** **The registration for the June SATs is May 9<sup>th</sup>.** **The cost for the SAT is \$51.**

**Registration should be completed online by going to [www.sat.collegeboard.org/register](http://www.sat.collegeboard.org/register).** When students register online they receive immediate confirmation and a test center assignment. **Students MUST upload a photo onto their admissions ticket or they will not be admitted into the test site.** They may print or make corrections on their admissions ticket as well. **The high school code for BHS is: 070020. The test center code is: 07-115**

Most colleges and universities, as well as the NCAA Clearinghouse require that official SAT scores be sent to them directly by College Board. When students register online, they are allowed to choose up to four schools to receive their scores from College Board at no cost.

If this is not done during registration or if more schools need scores sent, an additional fee is required. **SAT scores will not be printed on the BHS transcript.**