



BASH Program of Studies/ Course Selection Presentation Rising 10th – 12th Graders

**Thursday, January 23, 2025
5:00 – 5:45 PM FAUD**



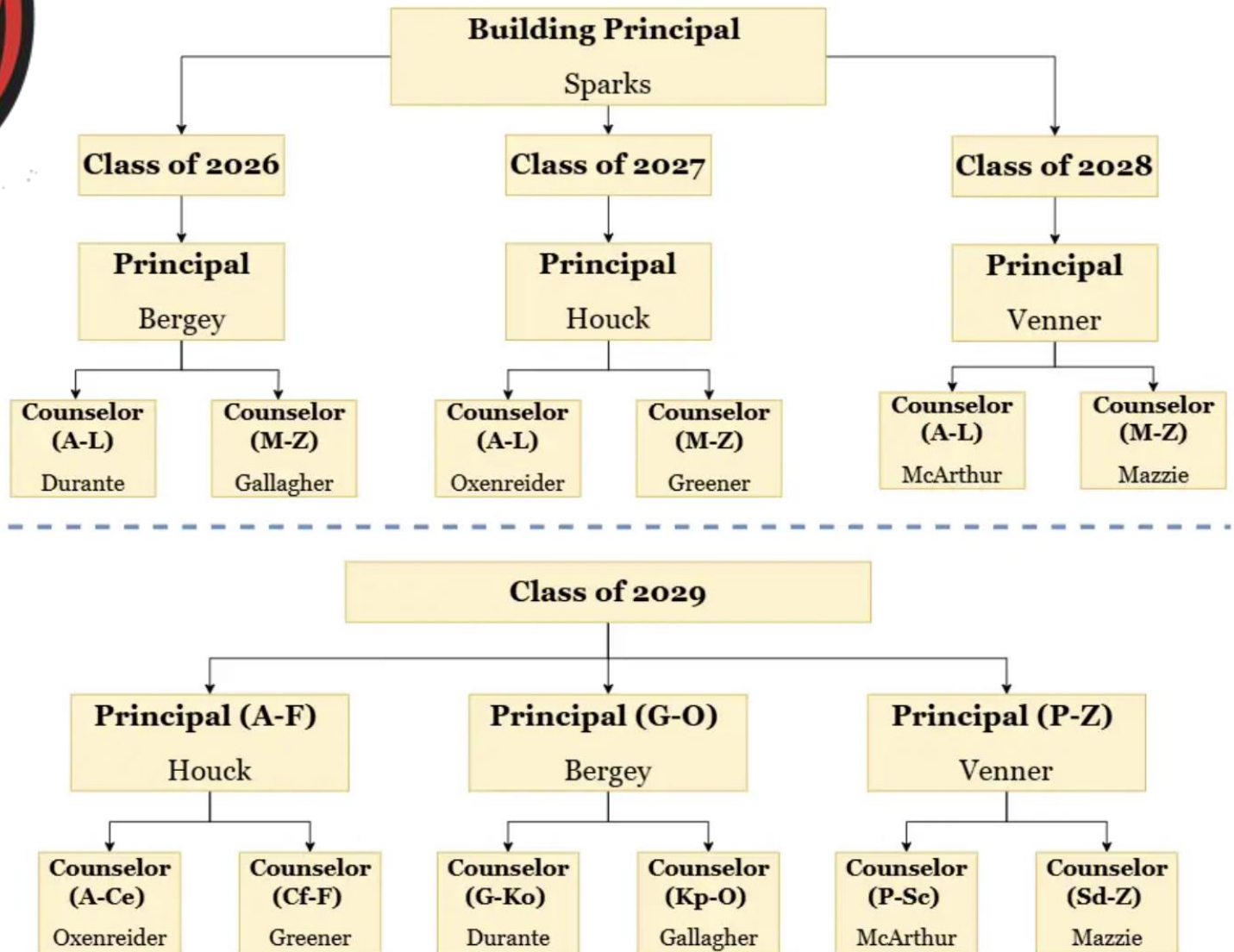
Tonight's Purpose



To assist students and parents/guardians in selecting courses most beneficial and relevant to each student's post-high school plans



To provide the opportunity to learn about the scheduling process and the programs available in the high school



How do we get students to think about their future?

Meet with your School Counselor OFTEN!

HR Advisory & Career Portfolio:

- Career research
- Career goal setting
- Online and computer literacy
- Financial literacy
- Resume creation & update
- Post-Secondary exploration
- Job shadowing
- Presentation skills



**Information can be located on the BASH web site.*

<https://www.boyertownasd.org/site/Default.aspx?PageID=86>



Berks Career & Tech Center (BCTC)

The ship has not sailed yet! There is still time.

Plenty of offerings to prepare students with
“ready to work skills”

Multiple opportunities to enhance students interests and
develop skills necessary for post-secondary education

Various Dual Enrollment (college classes) opportunities

Have your child set up a meeting with his or her
counselor for more information!



Advanced Placement (AP) Courses



Students **may be** exempt from taking certain courses in college dependent upon their AP exam score and college of choice.



Students may be eligible for honors and special programs in college for being an AP student in high school



Requires summer work & extensive independent work



AP students receive a GPA weight of .2 for having a final grade of a C or higher



Cost for each exam is approximately \$94.00- financial help may be available!



Future- AP Courses offered at BASH

ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSE OFFERINGS:

AP Biology

AP Calculus – AB

AP Calculus – BC

AP Chemistry

AP Computer Science

AP Macroeconomics

AP Microeconomics

AP Environmental
Science

AP World History

AP Language & Composition

AP Literature & Composition

AP Music Theory

AP Physics 1

AP Physics – C

AP Psychology

AP Research

AP Seminar

AP Statistics

AP Studio Art

AP US Government/AP
Comparative Government

AP US History

AP Human Geography



Dual Enrollment (DE)

Courses taught in high school that earn both high school and college credit

Offered at a **SIGNIFICANTLY** discounted rate

Montgomery County Community College

Harrisburg University

Many DE courses run concurrently with AP or Honors Courses



Why Take DE Courses?



Collegiate rigor while receiving high school support



Early start on collegiate coursework



Transferability to all the state universities and other institutions that have partnerships with MCCC and Harrisburg University



Parents save money! The cost of the DE credit is a reduced rate per credit



DE students receive a GPA weight of .2 for having a final grade of a C or higher



DE (Dual Enrollment) Courses

HU = Harrisburg University MCCC = Montgomery County Community College

Business

DE Computer Applications
(3 MCCC credits – CIS 110) DE Web Design
(3 MCCC credits-CIS 114)

Education

DE Introduction to Education
(3 MCCC credits - EDU 100)

English

*DE English Comp I & II
(6 MCCC credits -ENG 101 & ENG 102)
DE Public Speaking
(3 HU credits-COMM 110)

Family & Consumer Science

DE Basic Nutrition
(3 MCCC credits- ESW 206)

Health & Physical Education

DE CPR/First Aid
(3 MCCC credits- ESW 245)

Mathematics

DE College Algebra
(3 HU credits – MATH120)
DE Calculus
(3 HU credits – MATH 220)
DE Statistics
(3 HU credits – MATH 280)

Science

DE Environmental Science
(3 MCCC credits – BIO 115)
DE Biology
(4 HU Credits – BIO 102&BIO 103)

Social Science

DE Macroeconomics
(3 MCCC Credits – ECO 121)
DE Microeconomics
(3 MCCC credits – ECO 122)

World Language

*DE Spanish III
(6 MCCC credits- SPA 101 & SPA 102)
*DE Spanish IV
(6 MCCC credits- SPA 201 & SPA 202)





Academic vs. Honors vs. DE vs. AP



Know yourself (interests, skills, ability, personal schedule)

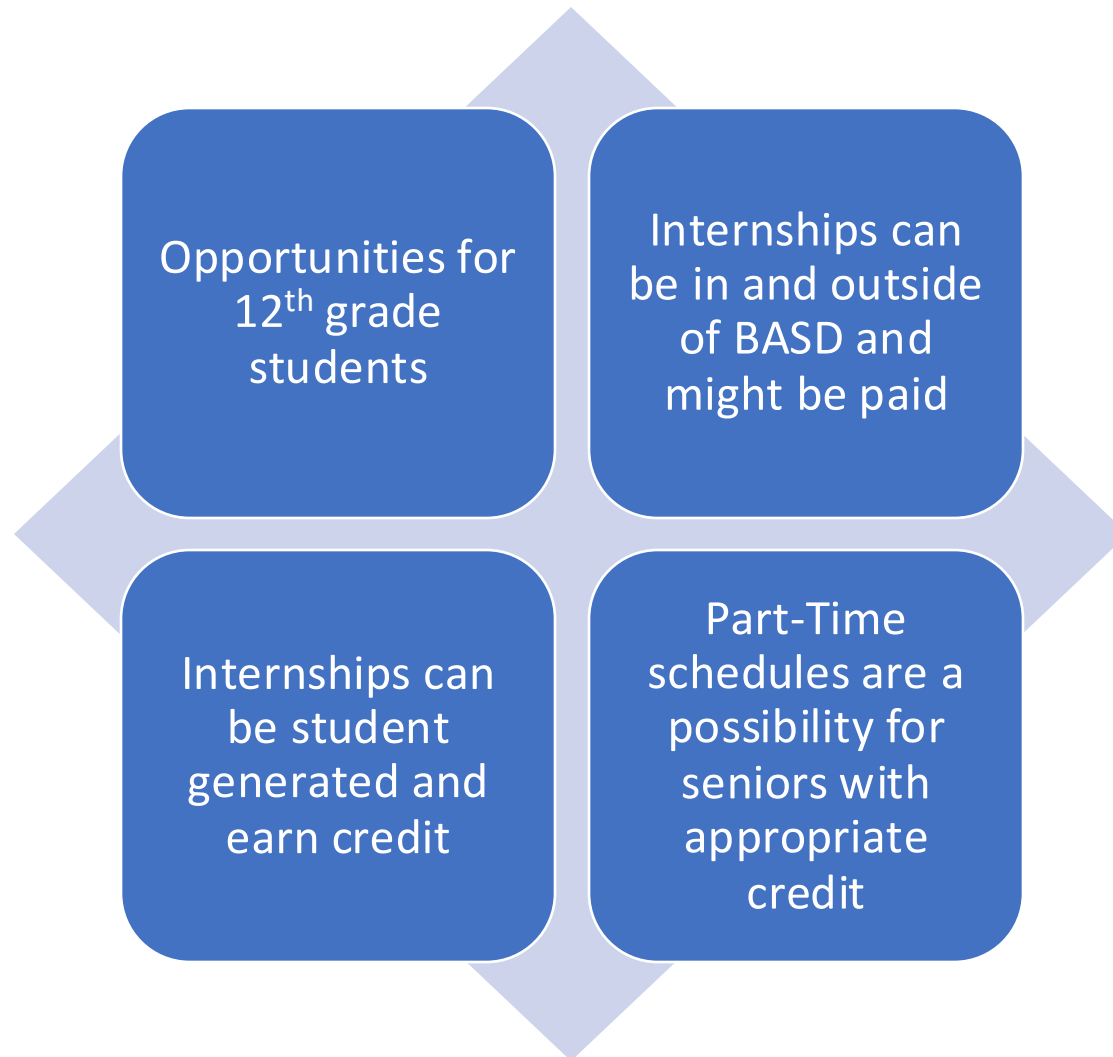


Challenge yourself



Align yourself with your post-high school plans

Internships/ Part-Time Students





End-Of-Course Assessments (EOCA's) & Midterm Exams



Are administered in all courses at BASH (except AP Courses if AP exam is taken)



Keystone exam used as the (EOCA) for students in Algebra I, English Literature 10, and Biology.



Administered at the end of each semester



Mid-terms and EOCA's each count for 10% of a course's final grade



Graduation Pathways



Graduation Requirement Decision Flow Chart (2023+)



Keystone Proficiency PATHWAY

Meets proficiency or advanced on each of the Keystone Exams

- Algebra I
- Biology
- Literature

Keystone Composite PATHWAY

Demonstrate proficiency by earning a satisfactory composite score on the Algebra I, Literature, and Biology Keystone Exams.

In order to qualify, the student must obtain a proficient on two of the exams and a basic on the last one and have a composite score of 2939 on the two highest scores.

CTE PATHWAY

1. Successful completion of Keystone course
2. **AND** the attainment of **one** of the following:
 - a. An industry-based competency certification
 - b. Demonstration of a high likelihood of

- c. Success on an approved industry-based competency assessment
- c. Readiness for continued meaningful engagement in the CTE concentrator's program of study

Alternate Assessment PATHWAY

1. Successful completion of Keystone course
2. **AND** the attainment of **one** of the following:
 - a. Established score on an approved alternate assessment (SAT, PSAT, ACT, ASVAB, AP, IB)
 - b. Successful completion of a concurrent course

- c. Successful completion of a pre-apprenticeship program
- d. Accepted in an accredited 4-year nonprofit institution of higher education and have evidence of the ability to enroll in college-level coursework

Evidence Based PATHWAY

1. Successful completion of Keystone course
2. Three pieces of evidence consistent with the student's goals and career plans

Other PATHWAY

1. Graduation based on IEP team decisions based upon academic goals
2. Superintendent's waiver for students with extenuating circumstances (5%)



Student Support Programs

School Counseling Department Services

School Counselor Advisory Sessions (e.g. college planning, financial aid, testing)

Student Assistance Program (SAP)

Student Academic Support through teacher access (Tutoring)

National Honor Society Tutors

HR Advisory period



What Can Parents Do



Access the BASH program of
Studies via the BASH web
site:

<http://www.boyertownasd.org/Domain/8>



Discuss course selections



Discuss “future plans” frequently



Tap into resources about college or post secondary
education/training and future planning



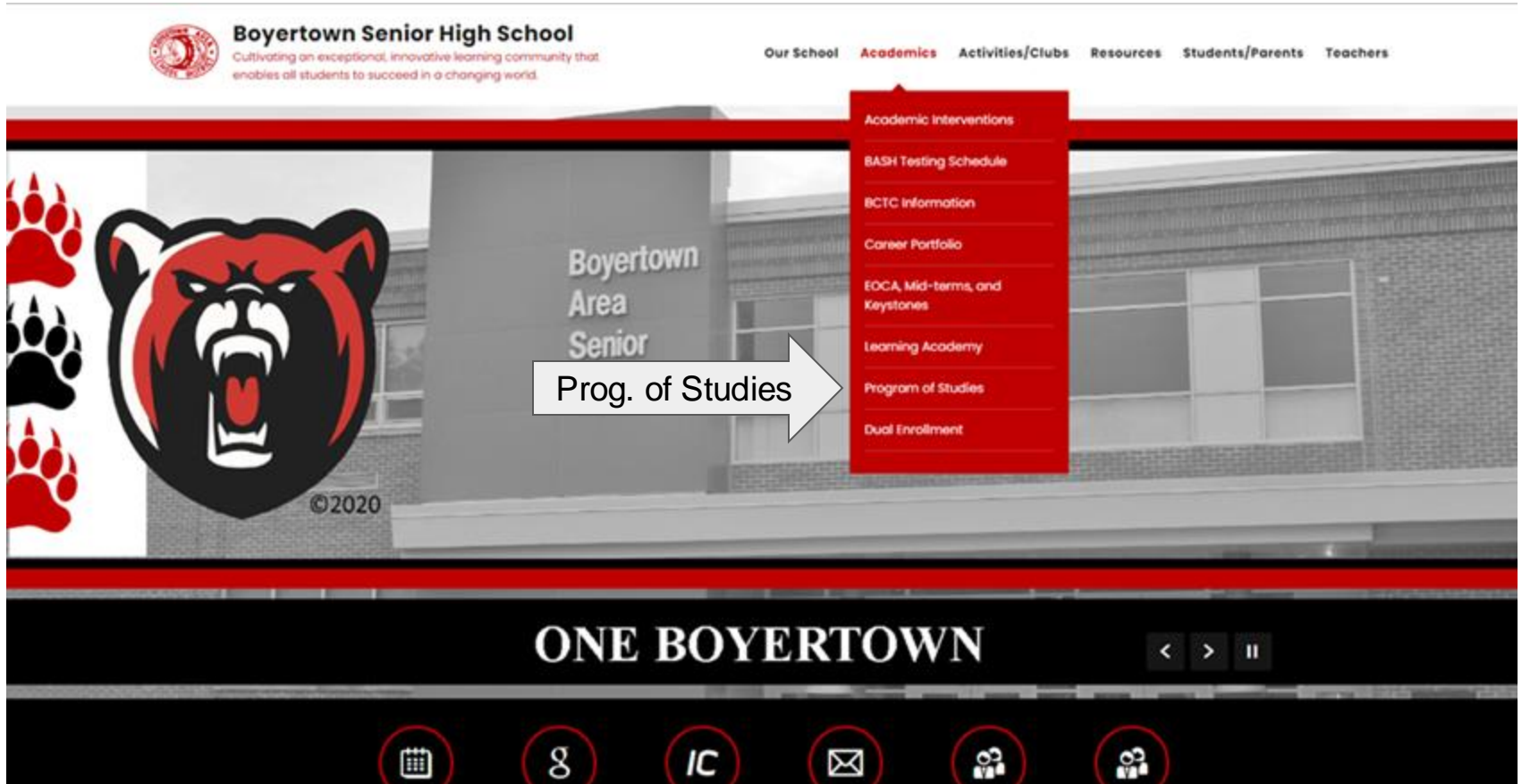
Encourage your children to take rigorous
coursework throughout all four years of high
school.



The Course Selection Process



2025-2026 Program of Studies



The screenshot displays the website for Boyertown Senior High School. The header includes the school's name, a tagline, and navigation links. A red dropdown menu is open under the 'Academics' link, with an arrow pointing to the 'Program of Studies' option. The background features a large image of the school building and the mascot logo.

Boyertown Senior High School
Cultivating an exceptional, innovative learning community that enables all students to succeed in a changing world.

Our School **Academics** Activities/Clubs Resources Students/Parents Teachers

- Academic Interventions
- BASH Testing Schedule
- BCTC Information
- Career Portfolio
- EOCA, Mid-terms, and Keystones
- Learning Academy
- Program of Studies**
- Dual Enrollment

Boyertown Area Senior

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Course Selections for 2025-2026 SY

- HS Teachers are making recommendations in Infinite Campus as well as signing the course card. They are the best source of information for what your child should be taking.
- Teachers and parents review the course selection cards prior to mid-February.
- Counselors will meet with your child during HR Advisory. Students will be provided another opportunity to meet individually with their school counselor.
- Changes may be made throughout the spring up until May 9th.
- Students are expected to complete the courses they select-no courses will be changed after the May date
- Schedules will be available to students in August via Infinite Campus Portal



NO CHANGES WILL BE MADE AFTER MAY 9, 2025

Graduation Requirements

Students must accumulate 24 credits
in grades 9 through 12



Career Portfolio (non BCTC students)



Career Portfolio (BCTC students)



Keystone Exam Proficiency (House Bill
1095)



Minimum Number of Credits Needed for Graduation

SUBJECT	SPECIFIED AS
English	The equivalent of four year-long courses in grades 9-12
Social Studies	The equivalent of four year-long courses in grades 9-12
Science*	Three year-long courses in grades 9, 10, 11, or 12
Mathematics	Four year-long courses in grades 9, 10, 11, or 12
Health / PE I, II	Two planned courses, one each in grades 9 and 10
Physical Education**	.5 planned in grade 11 and 12
Career Portfolio	Successful completion of Senior Presentation
Electives (See Course Description Section)	
	Total credits must equal or exceed 24

* Students who plan to attend a four-year college/university are encouraged to take four courses.

** NJROTC fulfills Phys Ed in grades 11 and 12.

Minimum two years of a WL is recommended for students planning to attend a four-year college.



Promotion Policy Guidelines

Minimum credit attainment:

9th Grade – 6 credits

10th Grade – 12 credits

11th Grade – 17 credits

12th Grade – 24 credits

A student is eligible for graduation at the end of his/her twelfth-grade school year when all graduation requirements are fully completed, including the Career Portfolio and Keystone Pathways.



Parent Support & Communication

- Infinite Campus Portal
- BASH Week In Review (via Infinite Campus; Friday evenings)
- Presentations for Parents
- Graduation Class G-Classrooms
- School Counseling Department Monthly Newsletters / S'more
- Student Email (school Gmail account)
- Daily Announcements (Daily Dozen)
- District Twitter; District Facebook
- BASH Website <http://www.boyertownasd.org>





QUESTIONS?