

Bernards High School

PROFILE

2023-2024



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Established in 1904

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Superintendent

Dr. Scott Neigel
Principal

Dr. Jaime Walker
Director of Guidance, K-12

COUNSELORS Ms. Amanda Ellis
Mr. Alec Johnson
Ms. Anna Sosely
Ms. Lizabeth Stolarz

COMMUNITY The Somerset Hills School District is located in a rural, suburban setting in the northernmost section of Somerset County, 35 miles west of New York City, with a population of over 10,000 residents. Bernards High School serves over 800 students in grades 9 to 12 from Bernardsville, Far Hills, Peapack-Gladstone and Bedminster; 185 students graduated in the Class of 2023.

ACCREDITATION Bernards High School is accredited by the New Jersey Department of Education and is a member of the College Entrance Examination Board and the National Association for College Admission Counseling.

FACULTY The professional staff includes 102 teachers, counselors, librarians/media specialists, and special educators. Eighty-three percent of the faculty hold advanced degrees. Four (4) counselors work with students and groups in academic, career and personal matters. The counseling staff is supported by the Student Assistance Counselor, the Child Study Team, the Intervention and Referral Services Team and the 504 Committee.

STUDENTS Bernards High School students actively participate in school activities in many areas:

- More than 65% of the student body participates on one or more of the 29 interscholastic teams
- All of the students participate in community service activities
- The students produce award-winning newspaper, yearbook, and literary magazine publications
- Students compete in academic competitions in science, mathematics, world languages, and debate
- High quality vocal and instrumental programs lead to student participation in All-State and Regional performance groups
- There are two major theatrical performances per year
- Students compete in art and photography competitions
- Student Council and class officer groups regularly meet with administration to strategize and plan
- Ethnic breakdown: 68% White, 22% Hispanic, 6% Asian, 1% Black, 3% Multi-racial/Other
- Madrigals and Jazz Band are auditioned, award-winning musical ensembles

CLASS OF 2023

POST-SECONDARY.....93.9%
Four Year Colleges.....79.3%
Two Year Colleges/Technical School.....14.6%
Employment/Other.....6.1%

NATIONAL MERIT PROGRAM

Class of 2022	Class of 2023
8 Commended Students	9 Commended Students
1 Winner	1 Finalist

ADVANCED PLACEMENT SCORES

(May 2023)

% with scores of 3 or Higher

*AP classes and exams are open to all students

# of students		
11	Art 2-D	73
39	Biology	80
12	Calculus AB	83
30	Calculus BC	77
18	Chemistry	89
**	Chinese	100
17	Comp Science A	82
58	Comp Science Principles	93
59	Economics - Macro	78
60	Economics - Micro	78
28	English Language	96
29	English Literature	86
23	Environmental Science	44
12	European History	75
**	French	100
39	Physics 1	82
27	Physics C: E/M	74
27	Physics C: M	85
33	Psychology	88
11	Spanish Language	100
43	Statistics	74
**	US Govt and Politics	**
25	US History	92
70	World History	74

**fewer than 5 students

AP SCHOLARS

37 AP Scholars with Distinction

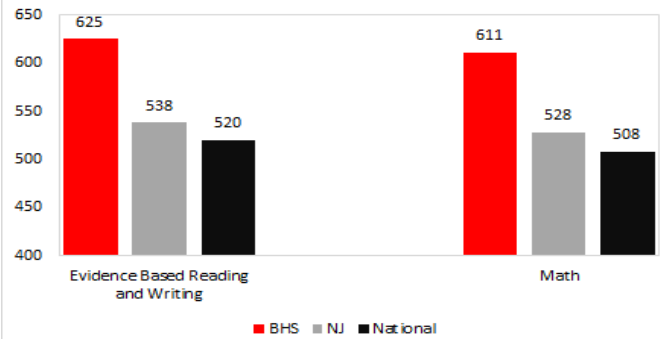
24 AP Scholars with Honor

37 AP Scholars



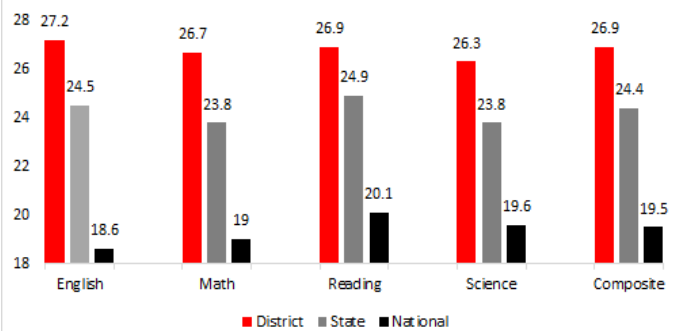
SAT SCORES

Total Tested: 103 (cohort)
Mean Scores - Students' Highest Individual Scores



ACT SCORES

Total Tested: 148
Mean Scores - Students' Highest Individual Scores



STUDENT ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

GRADING SCALE

Grading Scale	Quality Points	Honors	AP
97-100=A+	4.33	4.83	5.33
93-96=A	4.00	4.50	5.00
90-92=A-	3.67	4.13	4.67
87-89=B+	3.33	3.83	4.33
83-86=B	3.00	3.50	4.00
80-82=B-	2.67	3.13	3.67
77-79=C+	2.33	2.83	3.33
73-76=C	2.00	2.50	3.00
70-72=C-	1.67	2.13	2.67
67-69=D+	1.33	1.33	1.33
63-66=D	1.00	1.00	1.00
60-62=D-	0.67	0.67	0.67
59=F	0.00	0.00	0.00

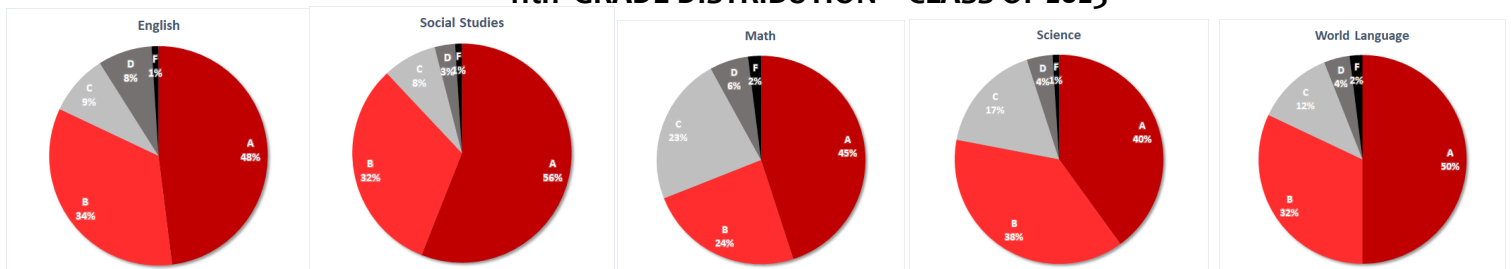
SIX SEMESTER WEIGHTED GPAs

Class of 2023

GPA	2023
Above 4.5	7%
4.5 - 4.0	31%
3.9 - 3.5	31%
3.4 - 3.0	17%
2.9 - 2.5	9%
2.4 - 2.0	2%
Below 1.9	3%
Median GPA	3.83
Total# of Students	180

Bernards High School does not rank

11th GRADE DISTRIBUTION -- CLASS OF 2023



English

Social Studies

Math

Science

World Languages

The high school has a long tradition of academic excellence, preparing students for college and the workplace, balanced with a strong elective program in vocal and performing music, theatre, publications, and design and technology. The typical academic load is 7-8 courses. A full year course equals 5, 6, or 7 credits; a half-year course equals 2.5 credits. Since the 2019-2020 school year, we have moved to a modified rotating block schedule with 56 minute long periods.

To graduate, students must complete the following:

- Four years of English
- Three years each of Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies
- One year each of World Language and Visual/Performing Arts
- One year of physical education for every year enrolled in Bernards High School
- One semester of Technology and Research, and one additional semester of Technology
- One semester of Financial Literacy
- One quarter each of Life Skills 1, Life Skills 2, First Aid and Auto Safety
- 10 hours of service-learning for each year enrolled in Bernards High School

PROGRAM OF STUDIES

ENGLISH

AP

Composition & Language
Composition & Literature

Honors

English I, II, III, IV

Accelerated

English I, II, III, IV
Advanced ESL English
Introduction to Journalism
Advanced Journalism
Publications
Creative Writing
Public Speaking
Debate

Academic

English 1, 2, 3, 4
Beginning English ESL
Intermediate English ESL
Techniques of Writing
Skills Improvement
Program

VISUAL/PERFORMING ARTS

AP

Studio Art

Honors

Jazz Ensemble
Madrigals
Orchestra

Accelerated

Orchestra
Band
Chorus
Concert Choir
Theatre Arts I, II
Acting Troupe
Music Tech I, II
Music Theory I, II
3-D Sculpture & Ceramics
Art I, II
Photoshop
Digital Photography
Global Artisans

SCIENCE

AP

Biology
Chemistry
Environmental Science
Physics 1
Physics 2
Physics C

Honors

Biology
Chemistry
Physics
Anatomy & Physiology

Accelerated

Biology
Chemistry
Physics
Environmental Science
Anatomy & Physiology

Academic

Biology
Chemistry
Physics
Anatomy for Life

WORLD LANGUAGES

AP

French Language
Latin
Spanish Language

Honors

French III, IV
Latin III, IV
Spanish III, IV
Culture & Communication

Accelerated

French I, II, III, IV
Latin I, II
Spanish I, II, III, IV

Academic

Spanish Language 1
Spanish Language 2

MATHEMATICS

AP

Calculus AB
Calculus BC
Statistics
Computer Science A
Computer Principles

Honors

Geometry
Algebra II
PreCalculus
Calculus

Accelerated

Algebra I, II
Geometry
Probability & Statistics
Pre-Calculus

Academic

Algebra 1, 2
Algebra I, II
Geometry
Math Concepts
Skills Improvement Program

TECHNOLOGY

Accelerated

Technology & Research
Web Page Design
Multimedia Technology 1,2,3,4
Architectural Drafting
Introductory Woodworking
Advanced Wood Processes
Machine Woods
Cabinet Making & Manufacturing
Engineering & Problem Solving
Engineering II

SOCIAL STUDIES

AP

Economics (Macro & Micro)
European History
Psychology
US Government & Politics
US History
World History

Honors

World History
US History I, II

Accelerated

World History
US History I, II
Psychology
Economics
Sociology
20th Century History through Film
Popular Music in US History
Comparative World Religions
Global Politics & Conflicts
Contemporary Global Issues

Academic

World History
US History I, II

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Study Skills
Beginning ESL
Intermediate ESL
Financial Literacy
Leadership Development &
College Readiness

VIRTUAL ACADEMY

Accounting
Anthropology
Art History
Astronomy
AP Latin
AP Music Theory
Differential Equations
Engineering Principles
International Business
Marketing & the Internet
Multi-Variable Calculus
Pre-Veterinary Science
Russian
Zoology & Botany

BHS Graduates Enrolled in Post Secondary Education

Graduates of the Classes of 2022 and 2023 matriculated at the following colleges/universities :

University of Alabama	Fordham University	University of Pittsburgh
Albright College	Georgetown University	Purdue University
American University	University of Georgia	Quinnipiac University
Arcadia University	Grand Canyon University	Ramapo College of New Jersey
Arizona State University	Hamilton College	Raritan Valley Community College
Barnard College	University of Hartford	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Barry University	Harvard University	Rider University
Bennington College	High Point University	University of Rhode Island
Binghamton University	College of the Holy Cross	Robert Morris University
University of British Columbia	University of Idaho	University of Rochester
Boston College	Indiana University at Bloomington	Rowan University
Boston University	Ithaca College	Rutgers University-New Brunswick
Brown University	James Madison University	Sacred Heart University
Bucknell University	JFK University Medical Center-Muhlenberg	Savannah College of Art & Design
University of California, Davis	Kean University	Seton Hall University
University of California, Los Angeles	University of Kentucky	Smith College
University of California, Santa Cruz	Lafayette College	University of South Carolina
Catholic University of America	Lehigh University	University of Southern California
Case Western Reserve University	LIM College	University of St. Andrews
Centenary University	Louisiana State University	St. Francis University
Clemson University	Loyola University Maryland	St. John's University
Coastal Carolina University	Manhattan College	Stevens Institute of Technology
Colgate University	Marist College	Stockton University
College of Charleston	University of Maryland, College Park	Studio Incamminati
Colorado School of Mines	McGill University	Suffolk University
University of Colorado at Boulder	Medaille University	SUNY Purchase
Columbia College of Chicago	Miami University, Oxford	Syracuse University
County College of Morris	University of Miami	University of Tampa
Dartmouth College	Michigan State University	University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Dean College	University of Michigan	Texas A&M University
University of Delaware	University of Mississippi	Texas Tech University
Denison University	Monmouth University	The Ohio State University
Drew University	Montclair State University	The University of Texas, Austin
Drexel University	Moravian College	Tufts University
Eastern University	Mount St. Mary's University	Tulane University
Eastern Kentucky University	Muhlenberg College	Vassar College
Endicott College	University of New Haven	University of Vermont
ESADE Business School, Spain	New Jersey Institute of Technology	Villanova University
Fairfield University	The College of New Jersey	Virginia Tech
Fairleigh Dickinson University - Florham	New York University	University of Virginia
Fairleigh Dickinson University - Metro.	University of North Carolina, Charlotte	Wagner College
Florida Southern College	University of North Florida	Wake Forest University
Florida State University	Northeastern University	University of Washington, Seattle
University of Florida	Northern Essex Community College	Wellesley College
	Northwestern University	Wesleyan University
	University of Oklahoma	Wilkes University
	Pace University, New York City	College of William & Mary
	Pennsylvania State University	University of Wisconsin, Madison
		Worcester Polytechnic Institute
