
Bernards High School

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PROFILE

2019-2020



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Established in 1904

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; 206 students graduated in the Class of 2019.

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-five 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 75% of the student body participates on one or more of the 29 interscholastic teams
- More than 80% 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: 66% White, 19% Hispanic, 5% Asian, 10% Black/Multi-racial/Other
- Madrigals and Jazz Band are auditioned, award-winning musical ensembles

CLASS OF 2019

POST-SECONDARY.....94%
Four Year Colleges.....79%
Two Year Colleges.....15%

NATIONAL MERIT PROGRAM

Class of 2018	Class of 2019
1 Winner, 2 Semi-Finalists	1 Semi-Finalist
8 Commended Students	7 Commended Students

ADVANCED PLACEMENT SCORES
(May 2019)

% with scores of 3 or Higher

Art 2-D	100
Biology	80
Calculus AB	77
Calculus BC	88
Chemistry	58
Computer Science A	58
Comp Science Principles	90
Economics – Macro	71
Economics – Micro	67
English Language	95
English Literature	79
Environmental Science	80
French Language	100
Physics 1	76
Physics C: M	100
Physics C: E/M	93
Psychology	85
Spanish Language	93
Statistics	61
US Govt and Politics	87
US History	92
World History	80
European History	100

AP SCHOLARS

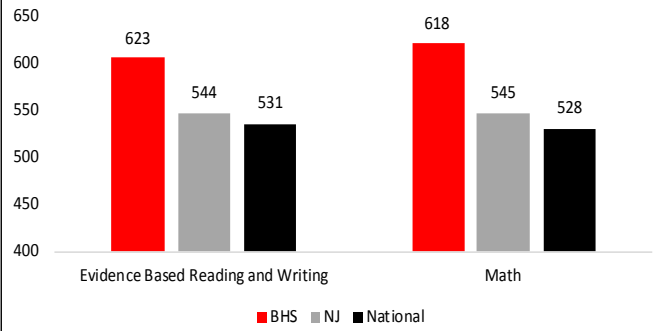
- 17 National AP Scholars
- 65 AP Scholars with Distinction
- 24 AP Scholars with Honor
- 48 AP Scholars



SATI SCORES

Total Tested: 127 (cohort)

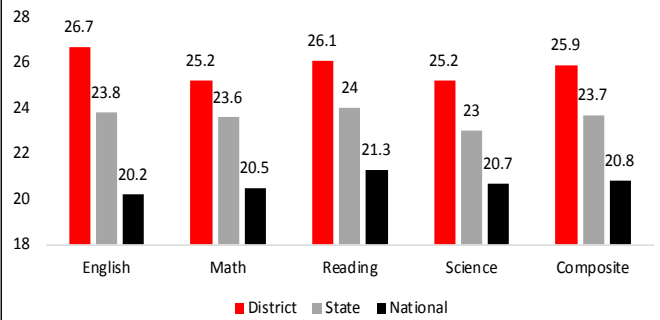
Mean Scores - Students' Highest Individual Scores



ACT SCORES (2018-2019 data)

Total Tested: 143

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
0-59=F	0.00	0.00	0.00

SIX SEMESTER WEIGHTED GPAS

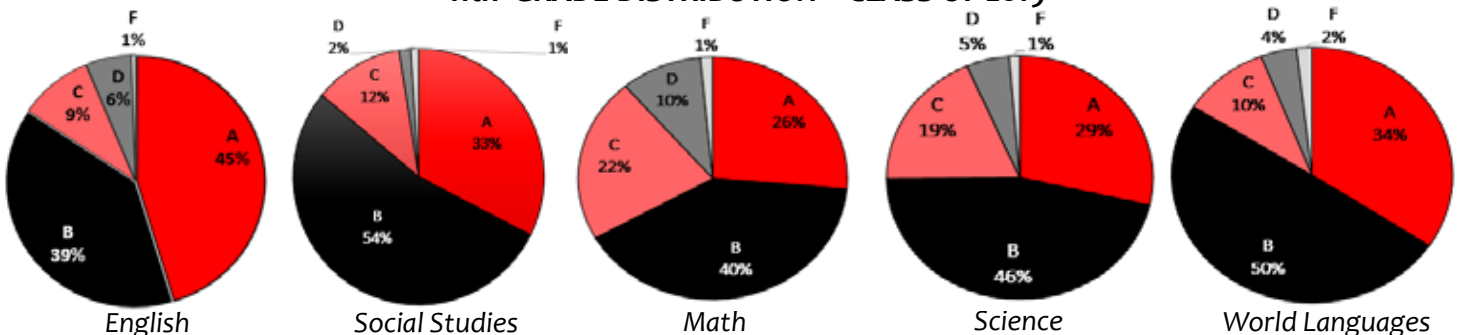
Class of 2019

GPA	2019
Above 4.5	5%
4.5 - 4.0	18%
3.9 - 3.5	30%
3.4 - 3.0	26%
2.9 - 2.5	16.5%
2.4 - 2.0	4%
Below 1.9	0.5%

Median GPA 3.48
Total # Students 206

Bernards High School does not rank

11th GRADE DISTRIBUTION -- CLASS OF 2019



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. Classes are 42 minutes in length.

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 and Life Skills 2
- 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
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
Digital Photography/IIID

Honors
Advanced Art
Jazz Ensemble
Madrigals

Accelerated
Orchestra
Band
Chorus
Concert Choir
Theatre Arts I, II
Acting Troupe
Music Tech I, II
Music Theory I, II
Art I, II
PhotoShop
Digital Photography
Digital Imaging
Photo Workshop

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 2018 and 2019 matriculated at the following colleges/universities :

Arizona State University	Hartwick College	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
The University of Arizona	Indiana University at Bloomington Ithaca College	Rice University
Bard College	Johns Hopkins University	University of Richmond
Berklee College of Music	Kean University	Rider University
Boston College	Keystone College	Roanoke College
Boston University	Kutztown University of Pennsylvania	University of Rochester
Brown University	Lafayette College	Rollins College
Bucknell University	Lehigh University	Rowan University
Caldwell University	LIM College (Laboratory Institute of Merchandising)	Rutgers University-New Brunswick
University of California, Los Angeles	Louisiana State University	Rutgers University-Newark
University of California, San Diego	Loyola State University	Sacred Heart University
California Institute of Technology	Loyola University Maryland	San Diego State University
Carnegie Mellon University	Lynn University	University of San Francisco
Case Western Reserve	Marist College	Savannah College of Art and Design
Centenary University	University of Maryland, College Park	The University of Scranton
Chapman University	University of Massachusetts, Amherst	Seton Hall University
University of Cincinnati	University of Massachusetts, Boston	Sienna College
College of Charleston	McGill University	University of South Carolina
Claremont McKenna College	Miami University, Oxford	University of South Florida, Tampa
Clemson University	University of Miami	University of Southern California
Coastal Carolina University	University of Michigan	Southern Methodist University
Collin County Community College District	Middle Tennessee State University	St. John's University
University of Colorado at Boulder	Middlebury College	Sterling College
Columbia University	University of Mississippi	Stevens Institute of Technology
Community College of Rhode Island	Monmouth University	SUNY Delhi
Connecticut College	Montclair State University	Susquehanna University
Cornell University	New College of Florida	Syracuse University
County College of Morris	New Jersey City University	University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Curry College	New Jersey Institute of Technology	Texas A&M University
Dartmouth College	The College of New Jersey	The University of Texas, Austin
Davidson College	New York University	University of Toronto
University of Delaware	Northeastern University	Towson University
Drew University	The University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill	Trinity College
Drexel University	University of Notre Dame	Tulane University
Duke University	Oberlin College of Arts & Science	United States Air Force Academy
Elizabethtown College	Ohio University	United States Military Academy
Elon University	The Ohio State University	Unity College
Emory University	Pace University, New York City	University College London
Fairfield University	Pace University, Westchester Campus	University of Vermont
Fairleigh Dickinson University - Florham	Pennsylvania State University	Villanova University
Fairleigh Dickinson University - Metro.	University of Pennsylvania	Virginia Tech
Florida State University	University of Pittsburgh	University of Virginia
University of Florida	Princeton University	Wake Forest University
Fordham University	Providence College	Washington & Lee University
George Mason University	University of Puerto Rico, RÃfÃ o Piedras	Washington University in St. Louis
The George Washington University	Purchase College, SUNY	Wentworth Institute of Technology
Georgetown University	Quinnipiac University	West Virginia University
Gettysburg College	Ramapo College of New Jersey	William Paterson University
Goucher College	Raritan Valley Community College	University of Wisconsin, Madison
University of Guelph		Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Hamilton College		Yale University
