# Welcome to SOUTH BRUNSWICK HIGH SCHOOL, Class of 2021!



#### **Our Mission**

- ➤ Pursuing academic excellence and celebrating diversity in a safe learning environment.
- Empowering students to develop skills and explore talents so they can become responsible, informed citizens and leaders

#### FRESHMAN ORIENTATION

Dates: July 12th and August 9th\*

Time: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Students will attend one-3 hour session with high school teachers to help them transition to the high school.

\*New date

#### HIGH SCHOOL FACEBOOK PAGE

- Please go to <u>HTTPS://www.facebook.com/SBSDSBHS</u> and like us!
- South Brunswick High School SBSD



## Our mission in action: Supporting the transition to high school

- Assistant Principal,
   Dean, and Grade-Level
   Office
- 10 Guidance Counselors
- Intervention Services and 504 Plan Supervisor (Amy Finkelstein)
- Special Education/Child Study Team Supervisor (Kathleen Derillo)
- Student Assistance Counselor – Aaron Millman

- School Nurses (Karen Gordon, Donna Moreen)
- B.R.I.D.G.E. Center (Ben Brisson)
- Freshman classes located primarily on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor and Annex
- Class advisors
- Summer Orientation
- PEER

## Our mission in action: Supporting 9<sup>th</sup> graders

- HAP
  - Study Hall approach
- Excel
  - Focused academic support for struggling students during student's HAP
  - Homework Help Center
  - After school until5:00 PM (Tues.-Thurs.)
  - NHS Students tutoring students

- Peer Groups
  - Two trained senior Peer Leaders per group
  - More than 10 sessions
- Guidance Counselors
  - Ten counselors proving academic and socialemotional support
- Teachers
  - Math Resource Center
  - Extra help sessions or days of the week set aside to help students after school

## What's a typical day/schedule for a 9<sup>th</sup> grader?

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A Day
                                                        B Day
                                         BL. 1 - 7:30 - 8:58
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  Academic English 1
                                              Algebra I
Home Base: 8:58 – 9:08
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BL. 2 - 9:14 - 10:42
                                         BL. 2 - 9:14 - 10:42
  HAP
                                           Phys. Ed./Health
                                         BL. 3 - 10:47 – 12:52
    Freshman Chorus – Option II
    Freshman Band – Option II
                                           American Government
                                               A Lunch 10:47-11:20
BL. 3 – 10:47 – 12:52
                                               B Lunch 11:33-12:06
   Phys. & Earth Science
                                               C Lunch 12:19-12:52
      A Lunch 10:47-11:20
                                                  - 12:57 - 2:25
      B Lunch 11:33-12:06
                                           21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills Class
      C Lunch 12:19-12:52
BL. 4 - 12:57 - 2:25
  French II
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#### What are "credits"?

- Full year / one block every other day = 5 credits
- Semester (half-year) / one block every other day = 2.5
- Phys. Ed. = 3.75 credits (3 quarters)
   Health = 1.25 credits (1 quarter)

Passing FINAL GRADE necessary to earn credit!!

### Graduation requirements

<b>Testing requirements</b> – As per The New Jersey Department of Education (PARCC)	Social Studies  American Government
125 Credits	US History
Personal Financial Management	Global Studies
2.5 credits	Science
Visual or Performing Art  ☐ 5 credits	1 Physical (PES or Physics)
21 <sup>st</sup> Century Skills Course	1 Biological
5 credits	1 Additional Lab Science
English I, II, III, IV	World Language
Math	2 years same language
<ul><li>3 years (including Algebra I and Geometry)</li></ul>	Physical Education &
	Health
	4 years



## Character Education and Academic Integrity

- Honesty, Responsibility, Respect, Service, and Kindness are our CORE VALUES
- Instruction in Academic Integrity and
   Plagiarism in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade English classes
- Character Education integrated in 21<sup>st</sup>
   Century classes
- Teachers utilize turnitin.com as a preventative measure



### Online Scheduling for Incoming 9<sup>th</sup> Graders

#### Incoming Freshmen will be selecting

Elective: 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skill course

Elective Alternate 1

Elective Alternate 2

#### HAP (Help and Access Period)

- Regular HAP
- Music Option II for credit: Please see your Music teacher or Music supervisor and express your interest

\*\*\* Art Option II for Credit: This option is by middle school teacher recommendation ONLY

### 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills Courses

NJDOE State requirement: All students <u>must</u> meet curriculum standards in 21<sup>st</sup> century skills.

Technology:	Business:	
□ Architecture	□ Business	
<ul> <li>Automotive Technology</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Computer &amp; Multimedia Apps</li> </ul>	
□ Video	English:	
<ul><li>Indec</li><li>Engineering</li></ul>	<ul><li>Writing for Film &amp; Media</li></ul>	
9	<ul><li>Journalism</li></ul>	
□ Technology	Music:	
Family/Consumer Science:	□ Music/Choir	
<ul><li>Culinary Arts</li></ul>	Math:	
□ Kids	<ul> <li>Computer Science (student</li> </ul>	
<ul><li>Fashion</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Computer Science (student must have completed Algebra I)</li> </ul>	

### Electives Video

See video

## Scheduling courses

- Academic Courses placements determined by high school subject supervisors after review of...
  - Teacher recommendations
  - Student grades
  - Additional data
- Health/Physical Education classes will be prescheduled

NOTE: Students wishing to change their World Language choice will need to contact their Crossroads World Language teacher or World Language supervisor

## Scheduling Courses: Important Dates

Online course registration for Crossroads Student

Jan. 27th – Feb. 3rd

Parents must have their

PowerSchool access information in

order to register!!

## Scheduling courses:

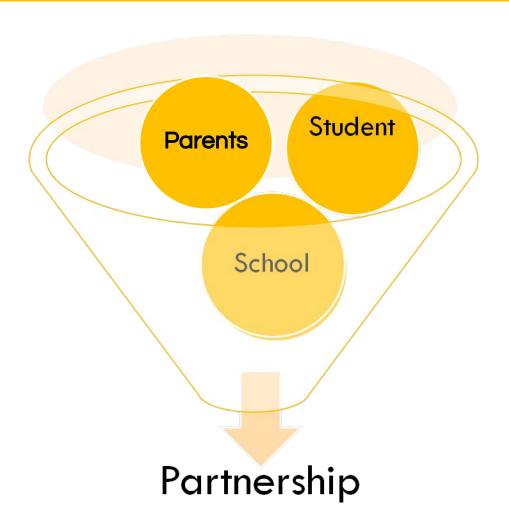
- Go to the high school website under "Quick Links" to view the Course Booklet
- Go to Power School at Family Connect ps.sbschools.org/public.
- Students/Parents must log on to the Parent Site to access the tab for Course Registration.
- Use your Parent Access User Name and Password. If you do not have a Parent Access User Name and Password – please contact your Crossroads counselor or the helpline 732-798-2460 for assistance.

# SBHS SUMMER INSTITUTE

JUNE 27<sup>th</sup> - AUGUST 8<sup>th</sup> Selected Courses Offered to Incoming Freshman Information Available on SBHS Web Site \*\*Enrollment begins on February 14, 2017

## The Key to Success





The Key to Success – Ponder this...

Greatness is not a function of circumstance. Greatness, it turns out, is largely a matter of conscious choice and discipline.

Jim Collins

This all starts in the 9<sup>th</sup> Grade!



## Questions?

- ✓ Visit supervisors tonight and ask questions
- ✓ Check our web site it's a great resource!
- ✓E-mail Assistant Principal for Student Services Susana Nikitczuk

(susana.nikitczuk@sbschools.org)

✓ Contact our Guidance Office at 732-329-4044 ext. 3278