

# Counselors' Corner

## A Note From Your Counselors

Welcome back to BHS! We are looking forward to working with your son or daughter over the next three years. The Class of 2026 is an excellent class with a bright future. Below are some upcoming events of interest to sophomores. The sophomore year offers a variety of opportunities including exploring new options at EHOVE Career Center and taking several Ohio State Tests. Planning for life after high school is a process that begins now and continues through commencement. Should you have any questions concerning your son's or daughter's academic progress, career and college planning, or personal/social concerns, please contact the Guidance Office.

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## Planning for the Future

All sophomore students will take the Ohio State Tests beginning in April. Students will take tests in the areas of: English, Math, and Social Studies. In order to prepare for these tests, students are encouraged to visit <http://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Testing/Ohios-State-Test-in-ELA-Math-Science-SocialStudies/Sample-test-items-and-practice-tests> where students can access practice tests.



## Get Involved!



Sophomore year is a great time for students to start thinking about getting involved in volunteer work in the school and community. Many students earn volunteer hours through club participation, church activities, and community outreach. If your student is looking for an opportunity to give back to Bellevue, consider contacting the Bellevue Hospital, Fish and Loaves, the Clothing Closet, or a local church office. Many colleges, scholarship committees, and employers look beyond grades and athletics to recognize student achievement in volunteer work and community outreach. Please encourage your student to get involved.



## ProgressBook & Grades

All teachers are currently using ProgressBook for managing your student's class assignments and grades. All parents should have login information for the Parent Access program. You can easily access ProgressBook site from our

homepage: <http://www.bellevueschools.org>

It is our hope you will access this tool to stay abreast of current projects, homework and progress. If you need to set up a Parent Access account to monitor your student's grades, please contact Tracy Gore via email at

[tracy.gore@bellevueschools.org](mailto:tracy.gore@bellevueschools.org).



Although we have just begun the first quarter of your student's sophomore year, planning for next year is already upon us. All students will be receiving information regarding the opportunities EHOVE Career Center has to offer. EHOVE Career Center offers some fantastic opportunities for students to gain specific vocational skills. Many EHOVE students earn college credit through their programs and continue their post-secondary education at colleges and universities across the nation.

Sophomores who are interested in attending EHOVE will have the opportunity to explore programs offered at EHOVE in October/November.

For those of you unfamiliar with career education or EHOVE in particular, we encourage you to review the literature that your student will receive or visit the EHOVE website. Students can apply to EHOVE by going online to [www.ehove.net](http://www.ehove.net) beginning November 15th. EHOVE's Open House is scheduled for December 6th from 5:00 -7:15 PM. Applications should be completed online by **January 19, 2024** to be considered in the initial review of applications. Many programs fill to capacity every year, so please be sure applications are submitted on time.

## Graduation Requirements

BHS students must earn a total of 23 credits and meet the state testing requirements. Any student who is credit deficient should see this/her school counselor to discuss all options available to make up the credit. All students are responsible for keeping track of their graduation requirements.

The counselors will meet with sophomores after winter break to review transcripts and discuss course scheduling for the coming year.



### Upcoming Events

**10/4/2023**– EHOVE Sophomore Presentation

**10/11/23**- Parent Teacher Conferences  
BHS 5:00p.m.—8:00p.m.

**10/14/23**– Parent Teacher Conferences  
BHS 8:00 a. m. — 8:00 p.m.

**10/27/23**- End of 1st Nine Weeks

**11/22-24/23**– Thanksgiving Break

**12/22/23 - 1/2/24**– Winter Break

**1/11/24**– End of 1st Semester