



**CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2021**

A sincere congratulations to the entire Class of 2021. The resilience, perseverance, and independence you were forced to gain over this last year and one-half will serve you well as you move on from Tahanto. Fondly remember all of your years here, for we are grateful for the contributions you have made in the classroom, on the sporting fields, on the stage, in the clubs, and within the greater community. Stay true to yourselves and grounded in your BBRSD foundation, while discovering all that you can become, as you explore the larger world out there. I wish you all the best in your future endeavors. My door remains open to you as a resource and a place of support. Good luck!



**EMAIL CHANGE REQUIRED FOR GRADUATES**

Be reminded that school emails for graduates do not remain active after the end of the month. Please be sure to change any accounts and contacts where you may have used a school email (College Board, colleges, etc.) to another personal address where you can be contacted later this summer.



**FINAL TRANSCRIPTS**

Final transcripts for the Class of 2021 have been sent to the colleges you indicated as attending. If you change your mind over the summer and need your transcript sent elsewhere, please let us know.



## SOME CLASS OF 2021 STATISTICS

- \*The Counseling Office processed 479 transcripts for 82 Tahanto Seniors. These application materials were literally sent around the globe; domestically from Massachusetts to Maine, Florida, California, Hawaii, and multiple states in between, and internationally from the US to Canada, the Netherlands, England, and Japan. After a year of quarantine, it is no surprise that this group of students is ready to spread its wings!
- \*Nearly 40% of Seniors applied to college Early Action or Early Decision.
- \*UMass Amherst, UMass Lowell, and UConn saw the largest number of Tahanto applications.
- \*WPI, Assumption, and BU were the top private school application recipients.
- \*The most common final choices for Tahanto Seniors in the Class of 2021 were UMass Amherst, Quinsigamond Community College, and Assumption.
- \*81% of the graduates are off to 4-year colleges.
- \*7% of the graduates are off to 2-year colleges
- \*4% of the graduates are joining the military
- \*4% of the graduates are joining the workforce
- \*Other graduates are continuing on with career education, taking a gap year, or are still considering their options.



## TESTING

In the last month, 84 Tahanto students took nearly 100 Advanced Placement exams in a dozen different subjects. New this year, some exams were administered in typical paper and pencil fashion, while others were offered digitally, either in school or from home. Results will be available online to students in July. These exams provide students with the opportunity to earn college credit and potentially place out of certain course requirements in college. Congratulations to our AP teachers, who had to rearrange schedules to fit in the

complete curriculum in a much shortened year and to our diligent students, who had to complete a lot of independent work to be ready for these tests!

Many colleges are continuing with their decision to be test optional for the '21-'22 application cycle. (There are over one thousand schools that are always test optional and can be viewed at [www.fairtest.org](http://www.fairtest.org).) Having a score however may provide the applicants with greater control over how they are reviewed. Both the ACT and SAT offer testing dates over the summer, as well as multiple dates in the fall. Register at [www.act.org](http://www.act.org) to take the ACT in July and/or at [www.sat.org](http://www.sat.org) to take the SAT in August. Lots of free test preparation is available online.



## **SUMMER SCHOOL**

If you were not successful in passing a (core) course during the school year and are eligible for summer school (final grade of 50 or higher), it is best to recover the credit and satisfy any graduation requirements by making up the course over the summer. A failing grade and loss of credit will negatively affect your transcript. Information and a link to the accepted online summer of 2021 school program can be found on the Tahanto School Counseling web page [HERE](#). Remember that final summer school transcripts must be submitted in August, prior to the start of the new school year, or the student may be scheduled to retake the course next year.



## **HAVE A RESTFUL SUMMER**

We all know what a wild year this has been. Take care of yourselves this summer. Do something different. Go somewhere new. Catch up on rest. Have fun. Spend quality time with friends and family. Come back next year rejuvenated and with a newfound sense of excitement, interest, and motivation!



## **OFF FOR THE SUMMER**

Please note that like teachers, School Counselors are not in our offices over the summer. With the exception of a few days at the end of the school year and a few days at the start of next year, the Counseling Office is closed. Voicemails may not be retrieved and emails, while occasionally read, may not be responded to right away. Should you need anything that can't wait until school is back in session, please contact the Main Office at 508-869-2333. Note that they will have adjusted summer hours as well.

*Stay safe. Stay healthy. Be well. Take care. Enjoy a much deserved summer break!*

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