

January 22, 2025

Dear Parents and Community Members:

We are pleased to present you with the Annual Education Report (AER) which provides key information on the 2023-24 educational progress for Bridgman High School (BHS). The AER addresses the complex reporting information required by federal and state laws. The school's report contains information about student assessment, accountability, and teacher quality. If you have any questions about the AER, please contact Gerald Heath, Bridgman High School Principal for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site: <https://bit.ly/39JlwnV> or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2023-24 school year, schools were identified using definitions and labels as required in the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). A Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI) school is one that has at least one underperforming student subgroup. An Additional Targeted Support (ATS) school is one that has a student subgroup performing at the same level as the lowest 5% of all schools in the state. A Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) school is one whose performance is in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state or has a graduation rate at or below 67%. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases, no label is given.

BHS continues to challenge our students to succeed daily. The school faculty is continuing to implement Kagan Structures to increase student engagement. Our hope is that an increase in student engagement will have a direct effect on standardized test scores. The faculty continues to study student assessment data to guide the direction of their classroom instruction. Additionally, BHS is utilizing PowerSchool and Canvas to measure verifiable improvements in student learning (Pre-Test/Post-Test), while also implementing a new assessment program through Albert (PSAT/SAT).

State law requires that we also report additional information.

1. All students who live in the Bridgman Public School district and attend grades 9-12 are assigned to Bridgman High School. In addition, students who live in

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Berrien County may apply for acceptance through the school of choice program.

2. BHS is in the midst of a school improvement plan. The plan's goals focus on trauma informed instruction/growth mindset and increasing the proficiency level in Math, Reading, and Writing. The plan is updated yearly to reflect new interventions, programs, and resources that will be implemented at the high school. BHS was granted AdvancED accreditation during 2012-13 school year.
3. BHS offers Career and Technical Education classes, Advanced Placement courses, Online courses as well as Direct Credit College courses.
4. The curriculum utilized by BHS is available on the school website and is aligned with the state curriculum. BHS has transitioned to the Common Core State Standards in English and Math. We are currently implementing these standards as well as the new Science Next Generation Standards and Social Studies Grade Level Content Expectations.
5. Each spring BHS administers the Michigan Merit Exam and SAT to each of our juniors. All subjects tested were well above the state and national averages. Our building continues to be one of the best in Berrien County related to student achievement data.
6. During the fall of 2023 and 2024, BHS had a participation rate around 50 percent for parent-teacher conferences. BHS does not offer spring parent-teacher conferences. On a monthly basis, over 80 percent of our students' academic progress reports are viewed by parents through PowerSchool, our student data information system.
7. During the 2023-2024 school year, the following number of students were enrolled in post-secondary offerings:
  1. Our AP & Direct Credit classes had an enrollment of 139.
  2. BHS offers AP English Literature & Composition, AP Calculus, AP Statistics, AP Computer Science, AP U.S. History, AP MacroEconomics, AP Government and College Art Appreciation as direct credit courses.
  3. Our AP or direct credit enrollment is as follows for the 2023-2024 school year:
    - AP English Literature & Composition: 16 students (all seniors) 25 percent of our senior class.
    - AP Calculus: 15 students (all seniors) 24 percent of our senior class.
    - AP Statistics: 22 students (3 seniors and 6 juniors).

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- AP U.S. History: 16 students (all juniors) 25 percent of our junior class.
  - AP MacroEconomics: 27 students (26 seniors and 1 junior) 41 percent of our senior class.
  - AP Government: 23 students (all sophomores) 36 percent of our sophomore class.
  - AP Computer Science: 14 students (12 seniors and 2 juniors) 19 percent of our senior class.
  - College Art Appreciation: 6 students (5 seniors and 1 junior)
4. 53 percent of seniors participated in an AP course. Over 92 percent of BHS students that took the AP or CLEP exam scored a qualifying score eligible to receive college credit.
8. During the 2022-2023 school year, the following number of students were enrolled in post-secondary offerings:
1. Our AP & Direct Credit classes had an enrollment of 153.
  2. BHS offers AP English Literature & Composition, AP Calculus, AP Statistics, AP Computer Science, AP U.S. History, AP MacroEconomics and AP Government along with College Biology and College Art Appreciation as direct credit courses.
  3. Our AP or direct credit enrollment is as follows for the 2022-2023 school year:
    - AP English Literature & Composition: 11 students (all seniors) 18 percent of our senior class.
    - AP Calculus: 8 students (all seniors) 13 percent of our senior class.
    - AP Statistics: 22 students (8 seniors and 14 juniors) 22 percent of our junior class.
    - AP U.S. History: 17 students (all juniors) 26 percent of our junior class.
    - AP MacroEconomics: 30 students (29 seniors and 1 junior) 47 percent of our senior class.
    - AP Government: 33 students (32 sophomores and 1 senior) 49 percent of our sophomore class.
    - AP Computer Science: 8 students (7 seniors and 1 junior)

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- College Biology: 14 students (6 seniors and 8 juniors)
  - College Art Appreciation: 10 students (3 seniors, 6 juniors, and 1 sophomore)
4. Over 78 percent of BHS students that took the AP or CLEP exam scored a qualifying score eligible to receive college credit.

Sincerely,



Gerald Heath, Principal