

Bernards High School

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PROFILE 2025-2026



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Established in 1904

COUNSELORS

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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; 200 students graduated in the Class of 2025.

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-three 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, Mental Health 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 65% of the student body participates on one or more of the 29 interscholastic teams
- All 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: 67% White, 22% Hispanic, 6% Asian, 1% Black, 4% Multi-racial/Other
- Madrigals and Jazz Band are auditioned, award-winning musical ensembles

CLASS OF 2025

POST-SECONDARY.....92%
 Four Year Colleges.....83%
 Two Year Colleges..... 9%
 Vocational/Technical.....3%
 Employment.....5%

NATIONAL MERIT PROGRAM

<i>Class of 2024</i>	<i>Class of 2025</i>
6 Commended Students	11 Commended Students
1 Finalist	1 Finalist
1 Winner	

ADVANCED PLACEMENT SCORES

(May 2025)

% with scores of 3 or Higher

*AP classes and exams are open to all students

#of students

**	Art 2-D	100
44	Biology	91
18	Calculus AB	89
22	Calculus BC	86
32	Chemistry	100
22	Comp Science A	77
30	Comp Science Principles	83
69	Economics - Micro	84
69	Economics - Macro	86
28	English Language	100
54	English Literature	91
31	Enviornmental Science	90
10	European History	100
17	Human Geography	59
**	Latin	0
51	Physics 1	100
25	Physics C: E/M	84
22	Physics C: M	95
89	Psychology	75
7	Spanish Language	71
48	Statistics	73
17	US Govt and Politics	82
44	US History	100
20	World History	80

**fewer than 5 students

AP SCHOLARS

72 AP Scholars with Distinction

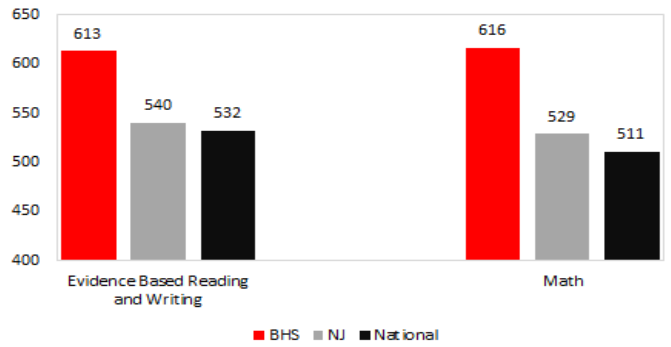
31 AP Scholars with Honor

42 AP Scholars



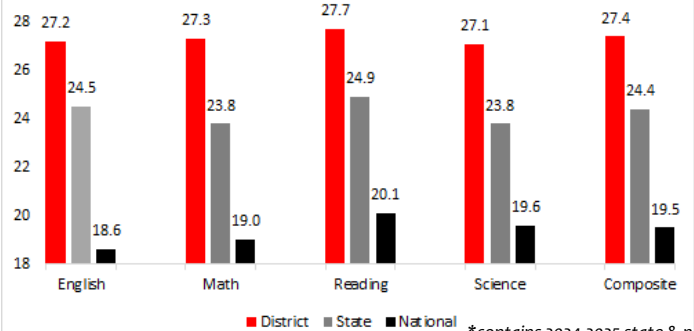
SAT SCORES

Total Tested: 169 (cohort)
Mean Scores - Students' Highest Individual Scores



ACT SCORES

Total Tested: 104
Mean Scores - Students' Highest Individual Scores



*contains 2024-2025 state & national data

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

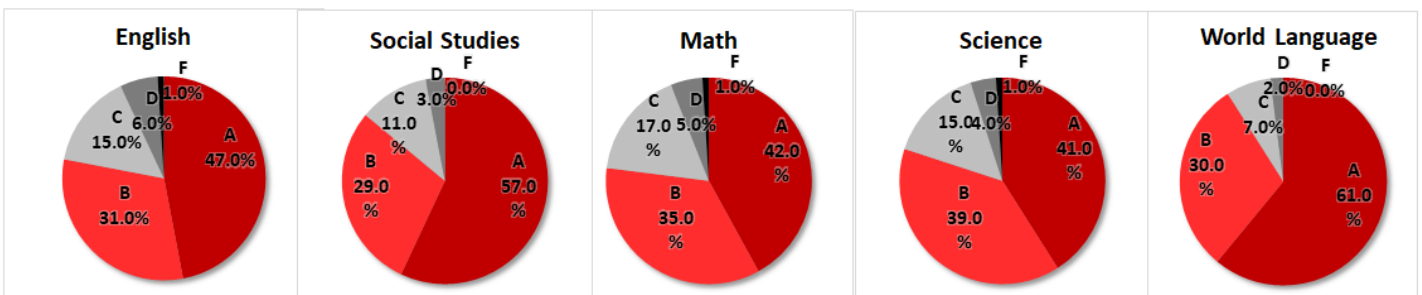
SIX SEMESTER WEIGHTED GPAS

Class of 2025

GPA	2025
Above 4.5	12%
4.4 - 4.0	28%
3.9 - 3.5	23%
3.4 - 3.0	21%
2.9 - 2.5	10%
2.4 - 2.0	3%
Below 1.9	3%
Median GPA	85%
Total# of Students	200

Bernards High School does not rank

11th GRADE DISTRIBUTION -- CLASS OF 2025



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. We follow a modified rotating block schedule with 56 minute long periods. Additionally, we have dual-enrollment course partnerships with University of Delaware, Kean University and Raritan Valley Community College.

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, Life Skills 2, First Aid and Auto Safety

PROGRAM OF STUDIES

ENGLISH

AP
Composition & Language
Composition & Literature

Honors
English I, II, III, IV

Accelerated
English I, II, III, IV
Advanced ESL English
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 (SIP)

VISUAL/PERFORMING ARTS

AP
Studio Art

Honors
Art II, III
Jazz Ensemble
Orchestra
Madrigals
Digital Arts II
Digital Photography II

Accelerated
Orchestra
Band
Chorus
Concert Choir
Theatre Arts I, II
Acting Troupe
Music Tech I, II
Music Theory I, II
3-D Sculpture & Ceramics
Art I, II
Digital Arts I
Digital Photography I
Global Artisans

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, V
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
Multivariable 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
Human Geography
Psychology
US Government & Politics
US History
World History

Honors
World History
US History I, II
Entrepreneurship (H)

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
Law, Civics & Citizenship
Untold Histories

Academic
World History
US History I, II

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Study Skills
Beginning ESL
Intermediate ESL
Financial Literacy
Leadership Development & College Readiness

VIRTUAL ACADEMY

DUAL ENROLLMENT Multivariable Calculus (H)--Raritan Valley Community College
Tomorrow's Teachers (H)--Kean University
Entrepreneurship (H)--University of Delaware
French IV - Seton Hall University
Latin IV - Seton Hall University
Spanish V - Seton Hall University

BHS Graduates Enrolled in Post Secondary Education

Graduates of the classes of 2024 and 2025 matriculated at the following colleges/universities :

University of Aberdeen	High Point University	Raritan Valley Community College
University of Alabama	Hillsborough Community College	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
American University	Hillsdale College	University of Richmond
Arizona State University	Hobart & William Smith Colleges	Rider University
University of Arizona	College of the Holy Cross	Rochester Institute of Technology
Auburn University	University of Illinois- Urbana-Champaign	University of Rochester
Babson College	Indiana University at Bloomington	Roger Williams University
Baylor University	Ithaca College	Rowan University
Bentley University	James Madison University	Rutgers University-New Brunswick
Boston College	Kean University	Rutgers University-Newark
Boston University	University of Kentucky	Sacred Heart University
University of British Columbia	Lafayette College	San Diego State University
Brown University	Lehigh University	Savannah College of Art & Design
Bucknell University	Liberty University	School of Visual Arts
Budapest Business University	Long Island University	The University of Scranton
Citadel Military College of S.C.	Marist University	Seton Hall University
Clark University	Loyola University Maryland	University of South Carolina
Clemson University	University of Maryland-College Park	Southern Methodist University
Colgate University	Massachusetts College of Pharmacy	St. John's University
College of Charleston	University of Massachusetts, Amherst	St. Olaf College
University of Colorado at Boulder	McGill University	Stevens Institute of Technology
Columbia University	Miami University	Stockton University
Connecticut College	University of Miami	SUNY Purchase
University of Connecticut	Michigan State University	Susquehanna University
Cornell University	University of Michigan	Syracuse University
County College of Morris	Middlesex College	University of Tampa
Davidson University	University of Minnesota	Temple University
Dean College	University of Mississippi	University of Tennessee, Knoxville
University of Delaware	Monmouth University	Texas Christian University
Denison University	Montana State University	The American University of Paris
University of Denver	Montclair State University	The College of New Jersey
Dickinson College	Moravian College	The George Washington University
Duke University	Muhlenberg College	The Ohio State University
East Carolina University	New Jersey Institute of Technology	Tufts University
Elon University	New York University	Tulane University
Fairfield University	University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill	Union College
Fairleigh Dickinson University - Florham	North Carolina State University	Vassar College
Fairleigh Dickinson University - Metro.	Northeastern University	Vermont State University
Florida Gulf Coast University	Northwestern University	University of Vermont
Florida Institute of Technology	University of Oregon	Villanova University
Florida State University	Pace University	Virginia Commonwealth University
University of Florida	Pennsylvania College of Technology	Virginia Tech
Fordham University	Pennsylvania State University	Wagner College
Gettysburg College	University of Pittsburgh	Washington & Lee University
Franklin & Marshall College	Princeton University	Western Washington University
Hamilton College	Providence College	William Paterson University
Harvard University	Purdue University	University of Wisconsin, Madison
Haverford College	Quinnipiac University	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
	Ramapo College	Yale University
