Welcome, BG Parents

of the Class of 2021!
CAF January 23, 2017

- Curriculum Activities Fair (CAF)
- Program begins 7:00 pm
- Arrive by 6:30 pm for best parking
- Program for parents and students
- Bring packet student received in middle school
- Special Ed and EL meetings at 5:30 pm
- You will receive PSAT scores in the mail in February
CAF Overview

- Special education (theater) and EL (library) parents and students will pre-meet at 5:30 p.m. Use the theater entrance.
- All others use the gym entrance for check in beginning at 6:15.
- Program begins in the gym at 7:00 p.m. for brief introductions and program.
- Move to fieldhouse and visit exhibits until 9 p.m.
- Turn in course request form by end of evening to counselors or marked box
Exhibits at CAF

- Performances in gym
- Curricular and co-curricular exhibits in field house
- Division heads in field house
- Counselors in field house
Graduation requirements

- 4 credits English
- 3 to 3.5 credits math
- 2-3 credits science
- 3 credits social science
- 1 credit CTE or WL
- .5 credit health
- 7 sem PE
- .25 credit driver ed
- Meet fine arts req.
- Constitution test
- Consumer ed requirement
- Earn 21 credits
Ways to meet fine arts requirement

- Art Survey, Art 1, Photo 1, Graphic Arts 1 & 2
- Dance 1, Orchesis, Acting 1, Beginning Choir
- Treble Choir, Advance Choir, AP Music Theory
- Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Jazz Band
- Instrumental Ensemble, Concert Orchestra, and
- Symphonic Orchestra
Ways to meet consumer education requirement

- Introduction to Business
- Personal Finance
- Sociology 1&2
- Law & the Individual

- AP Economics
- Economics
Placement Guidelines
PSAT 08 and teacher recs

- Math 460s 200-330
- Math 470/71 330-410
- Math 482/83 410-480
- Math 492/93 480+
- Final math placement test in MAY

- Prep WOC and Human Geo 200-330
- WOC and Human Geo 330-440
- Honors WOC and AP Human Geo 440+
Freshman Schedule

1. English
2. Math
3. Science
4. Social Science
5. PE
6. Lunch
7. Elective
8. Elective/Study Hall/Strategies for Learning
Freshman electives

- Students will take two periods of electives
- Two full year electives (for example, orchestra and Spanish) or
- One year-long elective and two semester electives (for example, Spanish and foods/art survey) or
- Four semester electives (for example, foods 1/foods 2 and graphic arts 1/graphic arts 2)
Freshman electives

- Some students may be recommended to take courses to help increase their skills (for example, Strategies for Learning for special education students or Reading Lab). Students earn credits for these courses as they would for any elective.

- Students in marching band can waive PE and take another elective.
Who should take a study hall?

- Students who will use the time to study
- Students in time consuming after school sports or activities
- Students in lower 50% tile on PSAT 8 who will use study time
- Students not interested in two electives
Interventions Available

- Referred Study
- After school tutoring in math and English
- Saturday school
- Literacy lab
- Lit lab lunch
Freshman Advisory

The Basics:
- Who: ALL Freshmen
- When: M/W or T/F for the first 20 minutes of lunch
- Where: An assigned class of up to 25 freshmen, staff advisor, and student leaders
- Purpose: Acclimate freshmen with BGHS and help prepare them for life lessons
- Curriculum Topics Include: Icebreaker Activities, Media Literacy, Safety & Cyberbullying, Stress Management, and 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens
GPA (change from 5 to 4 point scale)

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Elective courses

- World language (German, French, Spanish, Mandarin, Spanish for Spanish Speakers)
- Art- (Art 1, Art Survey, Photo)
- Music (Band, Orchestra, Choral)
- Business (intro bus, personal finance, computer programming)
- Driver education
- Life Studies (foods, fashion construction, human growth/practicum)
- Technology (graphic arts, media tech, auto, Intro to Engineering/design)
- Naval science
- English electives (acting, journalism, yearbook)
World Language

- Not a graduation requirement
- Can start language any year; some start in level 2 depending on middle school language
- Many colleges will take art, music, or a world language for admission
- Should be in upper 50% tile in reading on standardized tests

- BG recommends 2 years for 4 year college
- 4 years will sometimes allow students to waive world language in college
Summer School

- Some students will be invited to required transition program
- Summer school will be held at Prospect High School
- Personal finance is a good course for incoming freshmen to take during the summer to fill consumer ed requirement
Counselors

- All students will be assigned a counselor over the summer
- Counselor assignments will come with the schedules over the summer
- Counselors assist students with academic, college/career, and personal issues
Co-Curricular Program

- 28 sports available
- 45 clubs available
- The BG website has more information
- Visit exhibits at CAF
- Sign up at CAF if interested in gaining more information
Parent involvement

- BGPA
- Boosters
- Choral Guild
- FOTO (Friends of the Orchestra)
- BGIA (BG Instrumental Association)
AP Night/Freshmen orientation

- May 23 will be AP night at FV, 7-9 pm
- We will have a summer freshman orientation in the month of August
- Date and time will be communicated before summer
- In early August, students will pick up schedules and IDs
Questions???

- Group questions
- I will be here to answer individual questions after group questions