

YOUR ROADMAP TO FUTURE SUCCESS



COUNSELORS

Bryant's school counselors are available to provide support for the academic and career needs of all students. They work to prepare students for their postsecondary experiences, whether college or career.

Counselors have a wealth of tools and resources to help parents and students in reaching college and career readiness.

Contact information is available at the following:

bryantschools.org/bhs/counselors bryantschools.org/bjhs/counselors bryantschools.org/bems/counselors bryantschools.org/bms/counselors





CREATING OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUR STUDENT'S SUCCESS

AT BRYANT PUBLIC SCHOOLS, WE BELIEVE IT IS NEVER
TOO SOON FOR STUDENTS TO START PREPARING FOR
THEIR FUTURE. AS STUDENTS ADVANCE THROUGH SCHOOL,
THEIR SUCCESS STORY IS BEING BUILT. WE ENCOURAGE
STUDENTS TO MAKE CHOICES THAT WILL LEAD TO
ACADEMIC SUCCESS AND FUTURE CAREER OPPORTUNITIES.

Parents play a critical role in their student's education. As your educational partner, we support parents by providing tools and resources to guide your student toward becoming college and career ready. We're all about creating opportunities to help students reach their academic goals.

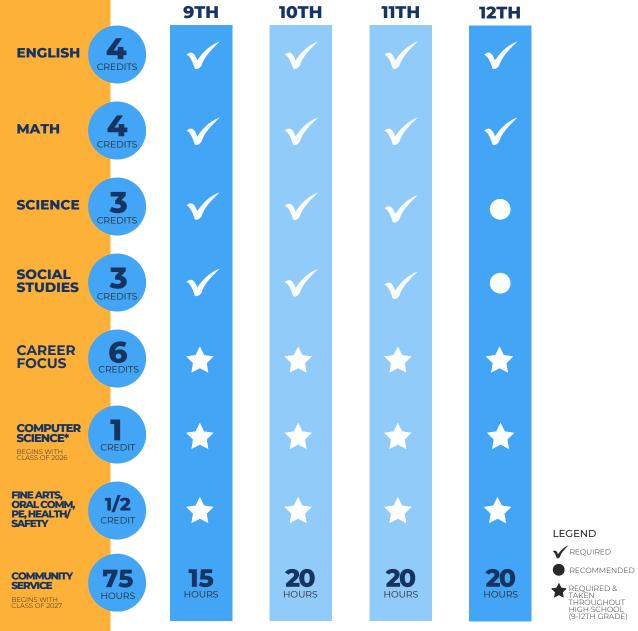
In their eighth grade career development class, students will create a personalized Student Success Plan (SSP) that will be used throughout high school. The SSP will assist students with achieving readiness for college, career and community engagement.

Bryant educators are fully committed to helping all students find their career interest and utilize their plan to pursue their academic and career goals. This Career and Academic Planning (CAP) tool will provide a roadmap from sixth grade to graduation for your student. In this guide, you will discover numerous resources and QR codes linking you to helpful information along your student's secondary journey.



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

STUDENTS MUST HAVE 25 CREDITS
TO GRADUATI



*Students must also pass the Arkansas Civics Exam. Personal Finance and Digital Learning courses are required; however, these classes are embedded in other graduation courses.

STUDENTS MUST HAVE

75HOURS

OF COMMUNITY SERVICE
TO GRADUATE

Community Service Learning bit.ly/4aU4WiL





HONOR GRADUATE REQUIREMENTS

Students may graduate from Bryant High School with Honors, High Honors, or Distinguished High Honors if they meet the specified criteria. Please see the BHS Course Catalog for specific details.

COMPLETES ALL LOCAL AND STATE SMART CORE REQUIREMENTS*

COMPLETES TWO COURSES OF SAME FOREIGN LANGUAGE

MAINTAINS GPA OF 3.5+ COMPLETES MINIMUM OF 3 AP COURSES

MAINTAINS GPA OF 3.75+ COMPLETES MINIMUM OF 4 AP COURSES

MAINTAINS GPA OF 4.0+ COMPLETES MINIMUM OF 6 AP COURSES





Smart Core is the college and career ready set of courses for all students in Arkansas public high schools.



COLLEGE READINESS +

HONORS COURSES 6th-12th

Honors courses are for high-ability students who are able to move at a faster pace, participate in deeper discussions, are prepared to complete research and independent projects, and are motivated and curious about that content area. These courses are differentiated in content, process, and product and are offered in English and social studies and science.

ACCELERATED COURSES 6th-12th

Math and science accelerated courses move at a much faster pace covering more than the grade-level content. During 8th grade, students on the accelerated track may take Accelerated Physical Science and/or Accelerated Algebra I for high school credit. These courses will be added to the student's transcript and calculated in their GPA. While not a requirement, students who choose Accelerated Science may also consider selecting Accelerated Math.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT® 9th-12th

Advanced Placement (AP)® classes give students in 9th-12th grade an opportunity to take college-level courses with the possibility of earning college credit. In order to receive college credit, students must take the AP Exam and earn the required score as mandated by the college of their choice, usually 3, 4,

Students must also take the end-of-course AP Exam and complete the course to get the weighted grade, earning 5 quality points for an "A" instead of 4 points, reflected in a higher GPA.



AP® COLLEGE BOARD

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CONCURRENT CREDIT

Bryant High School has partnerships with local universities to offer students courses to satisfy high school requirements and gain college-level experiences and credits with minimal cost. Students must sign up and apply for concurrent credit. Students must take the ACT exam in the spring semester and achieve the required score before enrolling in a concurrent class for the next year.

Students who are eligible to enroll in concurrent credit courses can have the cost of their course tuition covered by the Arkansas Concurrent Credit Challenge Scholarship. The Arkansas Concurrent Credit Challenge Scholarship will cover up to six credit hours per semester - usually two high school classes. Speak to your counselor for more information.



BHS CONCURRENT

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Earning College Credit in High School







Earning College Credit

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PROCEDURES AND DEADLINES

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

- during spring course selections for the following year.
- When school begins in August, your teacher will help you log into or create a College Board account where you will join eac AP course. The process orders your AP Exam for the year.
- Take the AP Exam in May to earn college credit with a score of 3 or better.

CONCURRENT CREDIT

- credit, take the ACT prior to the school year you plan to enroll in
- Your counselor will provide the links to you for concurrent credit application.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Course selection is in spring semester; choose your classes for the following year.
- want concurrent , complete th steps to apply before May.
- For AP Courses without taking concurrent credit, select the course and follow the teacher's directions in August to order exams and join in the College



CAREER READINESS = A SUCCESS READY GRADUATE

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION (CTE)

Career and technical education is a term applied to schools, institutions, and educational programs that specialize in skilled trades, applied sciences, modern technologies, and career preparation. In Bryant, students begin taking CTE courses in 7th grade.

College and Career Readiness (CCR) Tools

Bryant uses a number of CCR tools to engage students in the college and career planning process. The platforms provide online resources for students to develop and modify their Student Success Plan, explore and research post-secondary, career pathways, take career and strengths assessments, create a resume, and access scholarship applications.

SALINE COUNTY CAREER & TECHNICAL CAMPUS

The Saline County Career & Technical Campus (SCCTC) is a state-of-the-art facility where students from Bryant and five other local high schools select courses consistent with their career choices. The CTE campus is focused on preparing students for careers whether a student is hoping to work soon after high school or wants to pursue a college degree. SCCTC offers business partnerships, work-based learning, certifications, licensures, college credit opportunities and hands-on educational experiences. Visit bit.ly/SalineCTE for more information.



SCCTC WEBSITE bit.ly/SalineCTE

INDUSTRY CERTIFICATION

Industry Certifications can lead to performance acknowledgments on high school transcripts and give employers evidence of a student's acquired skill set. Students begin earning certifications in 9th grade.

INTERNSHIPS

The internship program is a cooperative effort between the school and business partners in the community. The student receives training and experience through part-time employment, internships, and/or volunteer work. Seniors who participate in this program take regular courses in high school in order to meet all graduation requirements along with working, interning or volunteering a minimum of 10 hours per week.



INTERNSHIP WEBSITE bit.ly/2Prdw08

CAREER HOUSES AT BRYANT HIGH SCHOOL

Continuing to prepare students to be college and career ready once they graduate, Bryant High School utilizes a Career House model. Houses include: STEM, Manufacturing, and Automotive; Human Services, Education, and Health Sciences; Arts and Communication; Business and Entrepreneurship. At the end of their Freshmen year, students will select their Career House.



ROADMAP FOR SUCCESS

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Get connected by participating

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Take ACT multiple times.

Take PSAT.



Make certain student is on track to graduate.

Start resume.

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Attend College & Career Fair.

> Schedule college visits (2/year JR & SR year).

> > Take ASVAB (military).

Take ACT & PSAT.



Research scholarships.

Research technical training opportunities.

Apply for AR Challenge

Scholarship.

Research military branches; talk to recruiter.

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Make certain student is on track to graduate.

Consider colleges, career, and training program requirements for after high school.





Get connected by participating in

extra-curricular activities.



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INFORMATION



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ACT Superscore averages four best subject scores from all ACT test attempts.

COURSE OVERVIEW

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6TH GRADE

All students are required to take a literacy block (English & reading) and math, science, and social studies courses. Each student is required to participate in PE and a fine arts course. Students can select band, choir, music or art as their fine arts requirement. Most students will finish out their schedule with keyboarding and electives of their choice, if available.

7TH GRADE

All students are required to take English, math, science, and social studies courses. Each student is required to participate in PE and a fine arts course. Students can select band, choir, music or art as their fine arts requirement. Most students will finish out their schedule with keycode (required) and electives of their choice, if available.

*Students will be able to request their elective preferences. Please be mindful that scheduling will be determined by course enrollment.



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IN THE SPRING, FIFTH GRADE
TEACHERS CONDUCT THE CAP
MEETING WITH PARENTS FOR FUTURE
6TH GRADE STUDENTS DURING
PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES.

STUDENT SUCCESS PLAN

As established by Arkansas Act 930 of 2017, school districts will develop student success plans for students by the end of 8th grade. This plan is a personalized education plan intended to assist students with achieving readiness for college, career, and community engagement. The student success plan shall guide the student along the pathway to graduation, address accelerated learning opportunities, address academic deficits and interventions, and include college and career planning components.



8TH GRADE

All students are required to take English, math, science, and social studies courses. Each student is required to participate in a semester of PE, career development and a fine arts course. Band and choir fulfill the fine arts requirement and will take the place of an elective course. Elective courses are preferences only. Athletics will fulfill the PE requirement and take the place of that elective course*.

PARENT TIPS

Eight grade is a launching pad for a student's future. Start researching college & career opportunities.

Help your child develop academic habits of success by ...

- Encouraging your student to be independent & advocate for themselves to learn this life-long skill.
- Helping your student manage their school workload by using a planner or calendar app to set up reminders & prompts.
- Checking their weekly progress through HAC.

9TH GRADE

All students are required to take an English, math, science, social studies, keystone, and health/PE course. Elective courses are preferences only*.

PARENT TIPS

Grades and credits count! Encourage your student to track their own progress in their courses and to seek help early when struggling in a course. Academic supports are available to provide intervention.

Help your child develop academic habits of success by ...

- Limiting distractions such as cell phones and devices during study time.
- Checking their weekly progress through HAC.
- If your student is struggling, contact the teacher or counselor for additional help. Don't wait until the end of the semester.

*Students will be able to request their elective preferences. Please be mindful that scheduling will be determined by course enrollment.

COURSE PLANNING 10TH, 11TH & 12TH GRADE

All students are required to take English, math, and to continue working on their requirements toward graduation.

PARENT TIPS

SOPHOMORES: For your 10th grader, start considering post-secondary options for college or career. Explore scholarship opportunities and consider taking the PSAT.

JUNIORS: Eleventh graders should take the ACT multiple times. Participate in College and Career Fairs. In the spring, go on a college visit. Check certifications needed for potential career fields. Students interested in the military should consider taking the ASVAB.

SENIORS: Seniors should check graduation status at the beginning of the school year. Submit college applications, complete the FASFA, and apply for scholarships. Refine your resume to send to potential employers. Take the ASVAB.

Help your child develop academic habits of success by...

- Encouraging your student to put their best effort toward earning the highest grade in each subject to maintain a high GPA which impacts scholarships and college admissions.
- Checking their weekly progress through HAC.
- If your student is struggling, contact the teacher or counselor for additional help. Don't wait until the end of the semester. Buzz intervention sessions are offered weekly.

*Students will be able to request their elective preferences. Please be mindful that scheduling will be determined by course enrollment.



COLLEGE PLANNING ACTIVITIES | 10th-12th 10th Grade

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English classes.

Review for the PSAT test: Study the PSAT/NMSQT guide and practice problems.

Attend any PSAT Bootcamps/tutoring sessions with our BHS teachers

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August

Get off to a good start this semester. Your junior year grades are very important. Take as many conditratic courses as possible.

College **Planning Activities**







ACADEMIC SUPPORTS

HOME ACCESS CENTER (HAC)

Home Access Center (HAC) is an online tool which allows parents and students to view and monitor schedules, attendance, assignments, and grades. Contact your school office for login and password information.







iPADs

Each 6th-12th grade student is assigned his or her own Apple iPad to use for classes and assignments. The iPad can transform into almost any tool students need to support their learning. Apps for productivity and creativity allow students to stay connected to their assignments and projects, whether working at school or home. The iPad is integral to learning experiences at Bryant's secondary schools, as the mobile technology also houses instructional resources.

ESOL bit.ly/2LVQMDU



INTERVENTION

Response to Intervention (RTI)

Response to intervention (RTI) is a multi-tier approach that aims to identify students struggling with a skill or standard and provides them with needed support. The process involves measuring progress and expanding services if needed. The classroom teacher refers a student to RTI supports.

Credit Recovery

Students who have failed or have been denied credit for a required academic course have the opportunity to earn credit toward their high school graduation requirements through retaking the course or during summer school.





ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)

Our English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) Program fosters linguistic and academic development, personal and social growth, encourages biliteracy, celebrates cultural contributions, and facilitates full inclusion of the English language learners in our learning community. Our ESOL Program goals include English language development of our ESOL students towards English proficiency, progress toward their academics, compliance of federal and state law, and continuous program evaluation.





Gifted and Talented (GT)

To continue in the GT program, GT-identified students in grades 6-9 should be enrolled in at least one Honors or Accelerated course. GT students in 10th-12th should be enrolled in at least one Honors, Accelerated, AP or Concurrent Credit class.

Special Education Department (SPED)

The Special Education Department is committed to locating, identifying and evaluating students with exceptionalities. If you suspect that your child has a disability, please reach out to the Special Education office at 501-847-5660.

BUILDING BLOCKS FOR YOUR FUTURE

MAINTAIN HIGH GPA

ATTEND SCHOOL DAILY COME TO SCHOOL PREPARED

TAKE A VARIETY OF COURSES DEVELOP INDEPENDENCE

IF YOU DON'T KNOW, ASK

> NCAA WEBSITE ncaa.org



Shooting for the Stars



ACADEMICS

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The National Merit® Scholarship program is an elite, nationwide distinction for high school students. Students who meet participation requirements enter the National Merit® Scholarship Program by taking the PSAT/NMSQT® (Preliminary SAT/National Merit® Scholarship Qualifying Test).

NATIONAL MERIT

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GOVERNOR'S DISTINGUISHED SCHOLARS

High achieving students who possess a 32 ACT Superscore or composite and a 3.5 GPA or the standing of National Merit and National Achievement Finalist may apply.

GOVERNOR'S SCHOLARS

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ACTIVITIES

A broad range of scholarships are available for students based on talent, performance, special skill sets, leadership abilities, and program knowledge.

Bryant High School offers a variety of extracurricular programs which can provide opportunities for these types of scholarships. Courses include art, band, choir, performing arts, broadcasting, and JROTC, to name a few. Many student clubs and organizations are connected to scholarships as well.

Students should contact their sponsor or program director for scholarship information.

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ATHLETICS

Student athletes considering the opportunity to further their athletic career after high school must register with the NCAA Clearinghouse to ensure he/she will be eligible to play in college. Contact your counselor as early as 10th grade to ensure appropriate NCAA approved courses are completed.

NCAA ELIGIBILITY bit.ly/3HuAwGc

NCAA DIVISION I ELIGIBILITY

Core-Course Requirement

Complete 16 core courses in the following areas + 10/7 Rule + 2.3 GPA

ENGLISH

MATH ALGEBRA I OR HIGHER NATURAL/ PHYSICAL SCIENCE (including one year of lab, if offered

4 YEARS

3 YEARS

2 YEARS

ADDITIONAL ENGLISH MATH

SOCIAL SCIENCE ADDITIONAL COURSES

(Any area listed, foreign language or comparative religion/ philosophy)

1 YEAR

2 YEARS

4 YEARS

NCAA DIVISION II ELIGIBILITY

Core-Course Requirement
Complete 16 core courses in the following areas:

ENGLISH

MATH ALGEBRA I OR HIGHER NATURAL/ PHYSICAL SCIENCE

4 YEARS

3 YEARS

2 YEARS

ADDITIONAL ENGLISH MATH SOCIAL SCIENCE ADDITIONAL COURSES (Any area listed, foreign language or comparative religion/ philosophy)

1 YEAR 2 YEARS

4 YEARS

FUNDING YOUR NEXT STEPS

COLLEGE

MILITARY

TECHNICAL SCHOOL

WORKFORCE



Most admission decisions & institutional/ academic scholarships are based on GPA Contact a recruiter in the military branch you are interested in

Prep and take the

Take CTE classes in 9-12

CAREER

Take CTE classes in 9-12

While some colleges and universities use the <u>ACT</u> for admissions and scholarships, most are now using it for class placement

ASVAB officialasvab.com

WorkKeys & Industry Certification assessments WorkKeys & Industry Certification assessments

Take <u>concurrent classes</u> to save money

Air Force Coast Guard
Army Space Force
Marines
Navy
National Guard

Take industry certifications based on your CTE pathway Take industry certifications based on your CTE pathway

Apply for Financial Aid: Federal Aid - <u>FAFSA</u>

State Aid - <u>Arkansas</u> <u>Challenge (lottery</u> <u>scholarship), Governors</u> <u>Distinguished, etc.</u>

Outside Aid - <u>BHS</u> <u>Scholarships List</u>

Review <u>How to Pay for</u> <u>College Guide guide</u>

Participate in College visits

College and Career Fair

Take <u>concurrent classes</u> to save money

Participate in BHS internship program

Apply for Financial Aid: Federal Aid - FAFSA

State Aid - <u>Workforce</u> <u>Challenge</u>

Outside Aid - <u>BHS</u> <u>Scholarships List</u>

Review <u>How to Pay for</u> <u>College Guide guide</u>

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ASK YOUR COUNSELOR FOR MORE INFORMATION.

FUNDING NEXT STEPS bit.ly/429USOC



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Bryant Junior High School

301 Hill Farm Road Bryant, AR 72022 501-653-5136 <u>bryantschools.org/bjhs</u>

Bryant Middle School

1105 Woodland Drive Bryant, AR 72022 501-847-5651 <u>bryantschools.org/bms</u>

Bethel Middle School

5415 Northlake Road Alexander, AR 72002 501-316-0937 <u>bryantschools.org/bems</u>

