



2018-2019 Course Survey
Informational Meeting



Scheduling Information

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Core Requirements

- **4 – English –**
 - English 9 thru Senior English
- **4 – Math**
 - Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2, Math in Senior year
- **3 – Science**
 - Biology, Chemistry, Physical Science
- **3 – Social Studies**
 - US History/Geography, Civics, Economics, World History/Geography
- **1 – Wellness**
- **1 – Fine Arts – met through an elective**
- **2 – World Language (Spanish)**

18 total required credits

Junior Schedule

- English 11
- Algebra 2 or elective
 - (Pre-calculus recommended for Honors Track)
- Chemistry, Physics or Anatomy & Physiology
- Civics/Economiccs
- Elective
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6 total possible credits

Senior Schedule

- Senior English
- Senior Math (can be satisfied by CTE)
- Four (4) Elective credits

6 total possible credits



Senior Schedule

Seniors **MUST** be enrolled for a full
day schedule

Promotion to the Next Grade

- **10 credits = junior status**
- **16 credits = senior status**

**22 credits required to
graduate**

Career-Technical Education (CTE)

- CTE programs are sponsored by area high schools including Buchanan High School.
- The cost of the CTE program is paid by BHS.
- Some programs provide opportunity to earn college credit from Lake Michigan College/Southwestern Michigan College.
- *Tuition for these college credits are paid by the high school*
- CTE programs are held 2/3 hours per day for the entire year. Students who register for CTE programs are expected to remain in the program for the entire school year.

Career-Technical Education (CTE)

- BHS elective credit is earned by successfully completing these programs.
- Successful completion of any CTE program satisfies the MMC (Michigan Merit Curriculum) Fine Arts requirement.
- Successful completion of most CTE programs during the senior year of high school satisfies the senior math credit required by the MMC.
**NOTE: Dance Exploration does NOT meet this senior math requirement

Career-Technical Education (CTE)

- For the 2018-19 school year, BHS is participating in and providing transportation to the following programs:
 - **BHS: CISCO Network Academy, Culinary Arts and Advanced Auto Tech (programs are held at BHS), Sports Management (SMC – Niles) and Sports Medicine (LMC Bertrand)**
 - **Berrien Springs: Building Trades 1, Firefighter, EMT and Criminology**
 - **Brandywine: Machine Trade & Tool Operation 1/2 & Computer Aided Design (CAD)**
 - **Niles: Allied Health and Professional Health Careers Academy (Lakeland and LMC), Welding and Mechatronics (SMC) and Agriscience (NHS)**

Career-Technical Education (CTE)

- For the 2018-19 school year, BHS is participating in ***but is NOT providing transportation*** to the following programs:
 - **Dance Exploration & Welding(Lakeshore High School), and Building Trades (New Buffalo)**
- Additional information on all CTE programs can be found at berrienccte.org.



Dual Enrollment

- Students enroll at and attend classes at a local community college. Both Lake Michigan College and Southwestern Michigan College participate in Dual Enrollment with BHS.
- Buchanan High School pays all tuition and most fees for the program.
- Buchanan High School covers the cost of books for all classes.



Dual Enrollment

- The course(s) taken by the high school student must meet the following criteria:
 - must be academic in nature or applicable to career preparation,
 - must apply toward satisfaction of degree requirements,
 - may not be in the subject matter of hobby-craft, recreation, physical education, theology, divinity, or religious education.



Dual Enrollment

- A maximum of two college courses may be taken each semester.
- College courses may be taken during the school day, in the evening or on weekends.
- A student enrolled in one college course will be given two periods per day to attend the course, i.e. two periods of “Dual Enrollment” will be provided in the student’s schedule and the student is not expected to be in attendance at BHS in those hours.

Dual Enrollment

- A student enrolled in two college courses will be given three periods per day to attend the course, i.e. three periods of “Dual Enrollment” will be provided in the student’s schedule and the student is not expected to be in attendance at BHS in those hours.
- The student can choose to apply the credit earned only to the college transcript OR to both the college and high school transcript.
- Currently, college courses earn a full credit and grades received are weighted.



Dual Enrollment

- College courses may be used to satisfy MMC requirements with prior approval of the BHS Guidance Office and Principal.
- Students must qualify for participation in the program with qualifying SAT or Accuplacer scores.

School-to-Work / Work Based Learning

- Job or volunteer position must be directly related to the desired career of the student or CTE program in which the student is enrolled.
- Must be approved in advance by the School to Work director (Karla Hurlbutt)
- Can be scheduled from 1 to 3 hours per school day depending on the time spent in the job or volunteer position.
- Elective credit only – no requirements are met through School to Work or Work Based Learning.