



June 2020

BHS School Counseling Newsletter

Congratulations BHS Class of 2020!!



The School Counseling Department wishes our BHS students and families a safe, relaxing, and fun summer! We look forward to seeing you in the fall!

~ BHS Counselors



Let's Stay Connected!

Even though we are not together in person, your counselors are always thinking of you and wishing you well. Be sure to follow us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter for tips, resources and updates.

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Sending AP Scores

Senior AP Students - You must log into your **My AP account** by June 20th to send your AP scores for free to the college of your choice. The report will include scores for all AP tests you've taken throughout high school.

We are deeply saddened and disheartened to observe recent events in our nation that have highlighted the lingering and long standing remnants of racial disparity and discrimination. As we move forward as a nation, and as a community here in Brookfield, we remain optimistic and encouraged by witnessing our youth take a stand for what they feel is just. We encourage you to join us in a daily reflection of our own belief systems, behaviors and language. This is the time to view our nation's inequities as an opportunity and a healthy challenge to be better versions of ourselves each and every day. It is healthy for us to challenge our own ways of thinking, and it is healthy to peacefully and civilly express ourselves. Your counselors would love to hear from you. What are your thoughts, questions and concerns about the death of George Floyd and the protests that have occurred since? [This student opinion article from the NY Times](#) highlights the feelings of teens across our nation.



Child Mind Institute Articles

The Child Mind Institute is an independent, national nonprofit dedicated to transforming the lives of children and families struggling with mental health and learning disorders. Our teams work every day to deliver the highest standards of care, advance the science of the developing brain and empower parents, professionals and policymakers to support children when and where they need it most.

[How to Help Your Kids Handle Disappointment](#)

[Teenagers and Reopening](#)

College and Career Corner

Summer TO DO List for Juniors Preparing for College

1. Continue your college search, research, and virtual visits.
2. Take notes on your impressions of different colleges, and keep track of your prospective college list in the “Colleges I’m Thinking About” section in Naviance.
3. Figure out your standardized test plan if you haven’t already, and complete some kind of test prep in the weeks leading up to a test.
4. Update your resume.
5. Revise your college essay.
6. Begin college applications if you would like to get a headstart.
(The updated edition of the Common Application opens August 1st.)



June is LGBTQ Pride Month

June is LGBTQ Pride Month in Connecticut - virtual events to participate in

- Boston Pride will host a series of virtual events throughout the month, including the raising of the rainbow pride flag on June 5 at 12 p.m. ET, a talk on June 5 with Eric Cervini, author of "The Deviant's War: The Homosexual vs. the United States of America," the annual Pride Lights on June 9 to commemorate those affected by the HIV/AIDS pandemic, as well as a pride festival and concert on June 13.

- The first-ever virtual Trans March will kick off on June 26 at a to-be-decided time.

- The New York City Pride Rally will take place virtually on June 26 at a to-be-decided time.

- San Francisco Pride will host an online celebration and rally on June 27 from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. PT and on June 28 from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. PT. The virtual event will feature live and prerecorded performances, greetings from LGBT community members, elected officials and celebrities as well as speeches from thought leaders.

- Seattle Pride will hold a series of virtual events from June 26 through June 28, with specific times and more information to come.



Jump Start Game Jam

Free opportunity for students interested in video game design!

The International Game Developers Association (IGDA) Becker College Club is excited to offer the Jump Start Game Jam for interested high school students, their parents and teachers on June 13-14. The online event is free but [preregistration is required](#) by June 9th. A game jam lets participants try their hand at creating a video game — from coding on up. Those who sign up will also get the chance to hear some mini-talks from local game industry professionals. For more information about the event and to register, [click here!](#)

