

BHPRSD AND CAMDEN COUNTY COLLEGE



Programs to Train the Workforce and Earn College Credits

The Black Horse Pike Regional School District and Camden County College have a partnership so that our high school students can earn college credits while in high school or earn industry credentials on their way to a career. Last school year, we had 235 students earn College Credits through the High School Plus partnership. Additionally, we had 906 students register for Dual Credit based on their enrollment in an approved high school course.

12th grade students can enter into the College Now Program or dual credit via the STEAM Academy. There are a number of courses students can take that could lead students to a certificate for employment in different areas of interest. Students can be released to attend college courses that can put them on track for a number of career opportunities so that they are that much closer to a full time position. This could be in the automotive, culinary, or computer industries.

Senior students can identify a certificate or postsecondary area of interest and utilize the College Now option to begin their journey while still in high school. Seniors pay for two college credits, and take the Accuplacer exam in their junior year.

We also have a Vocational Intern Partnership with the Finishing Trades Institute in Philadelphia, PA. The purpose of this program is to educate and provide the necessary experience on the skills and demands of the apprenticeship programs offered at the Finishing Trades Institute. The program is used as a stepping stone for students to progress from classroom to potential Apprentices or Industrial Workers. Students are placed into a cohort of 20 students. These students, once a week for 18 weeks, will go to the Finishing Trades Institute in Philadelphia, PA. They learn job safety, drywall, paperhanging, painting, and glazing. The program also affords students construction industry recognized certifications in OSHA 10 and First Aid/CPR. Students gain points to enter into a paid apprenticeship following graduation to enter into a union position for eventually becoming a journey man.

Please talk with your school counselor for these options. Please see our [Program of Studies](#) for more information.

Want to stay healthy? Wear a mask and stay 6 feet from another person.

WE IMPLEMENTED THE FOLLOWING SAFETY PROVISIONS IN EACH SCHOOL

We have purchased and deployed the following safety measures:

- ✓ Hand sanitizer
- ✓ Protective plexiglass barriers
- ✓ Thermometers
- ✓ Hospital gowns
- ✓ Gloves
- ✓ Hospital grade disinfectant
- ✓ Towels, tissues, and disinfectant wipes
- ✓ HVAC filters
- ✓ Hospital screens

Every day, students and staff are screened before entering the building. The screening process consists of questions and an infrared temperature scan. If a student answers a question that would result in an unsafe entry or has a temperature above 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit, the student will be denied entrance.

In the new schedule, while we are increasing the number of students in the school each day, we will make available physical barriers for teacher and student use and placing air purification systems in classrooms, if necessary. Masks continue to be mandatory.

[Check out our daily screening process.](#)

Week of November 16 - This week begins the first full week of the second marking period. If you performed well in the First Marking Period, we are hoping you can sustain that performance. If you did not perform well, then work to bring up that grade in the Second Marking Period. Start by setting some goals, like:

- A. Schedule time every day to do homework in 20 minute increments, until you complete all of it.**
- B. Eat healthy, get exercise, and get plenty of sleep. Trade in your candy for carrots! Talk a walk, do jumping jacks, or do some squats or lunges.**
- C. Check your Google Classroom every day at least three times. Set reminders on your phone or Google Calendars.**

Week of November 23 – Monday, November 23 and Tuesday, November 24 – teachers will report to school. Students are home doing synchronous learning with the half-day bell schedule. Wednesday, November 25 is a half-day, so this will be an asynchronous learning day. Teachers will offer extra help and office hours until 11:45 am.

Remember to follow the directives of your teachers. They should be providing direction on how and when to log in for classes.

In need of internet? We can help. In need of headphones? We can help. Contact the school for anything you think will help your child succeed because we are here to ensure the success of all of our students.

Please remember to check our website for valuable information and updates about this school year at www.bhprsd.org.

Inclement Weather Days

In preparations for potential inclement weather, the school calendar has been adjusted to allow students to participate in an all-remote learning day rather than the cancellation of school.

NJ Travel Advisory

The holiday season is rapidly approaching and there will be long weekends or longer stretches of time where people may consider traveling. In accordance with our efforts to continue the safety protocols already in place, to continue with our efforts to keep everyone healthy, and being mindful of people's sensitivity to COVID-19, we are going to follow the New Jersey Travel Advisory and CDC Travel expectations. If a student travels internationally, to a state or territory on the [NJ Travel Advisory](#) or [CDC Travel Advisory](#) they are to quarantine for 14 days upon their return. The travel advisory put in place by the State is an effort to ensure public health and safety. The student's family should provide the dates of travel, reasons for travel, and place of travel to the student's Vice-Principal.

The New Jersey COVID-19 Weekly Activity Report for week ending November 7, 2020 can be found on the NJDOH website at: <https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/statistics/covid/index.shtml>

Seasonal Flu Shots

The Camden County Department of Health has developed a schedule for seasonal flu shots. For detailed information please visit the [Camden County Department of Health website](#).

Please check our website:
www.bhprsd.org for more information.

How you can help your child embrace change and achieve success:

1. Make sure that your child **logs on** to their teachers' Zoom or Google Meet at **7:45 am** sharp **every day** that they are not physically in school.
2. Have your child **email their teacher** to schedule a private zoom session **for extra help** and/or to have their **questions** answered starting at 12:35 pm each day.
3. Sign in to the **Parent Portal** to **check your child's grades** and view teacher comments.
4. Check the **calendar links** on teacher websites for your child's classes to see the **assignments** given.

Remember, TOGETHER we can accomplish anything!

COVID-19 CASES ON THE RISE IN CAMDEN COUNTY

The latest [NJ Health COVID-19 Activity Level Report](#) illustrates an increase in the number of COVID-19 positive cases for the week of November 7, 2020. The Camden County Department of Health indicated on November 13, 2020 that the number of COVID-19 positivity cases increased again this week. For comparison purposes, for the week of October 24, 2020, the Case Rate was 10.42 in our region and last week the Case Rate was 22.70.

Internally, we see an increase in the number of positive COVID-19 cases and an increase in the number of students and staff that were considered close contacts of someone who was positive. While the school operations are not contributing to an increase in positivity, the school bears the burden of contact tracing, even when cases occur outside of our walls. **“Close contact” has been defined as being within 6 feet of someone else for 15 minutes or more, cumulatively, in a 24-hour period. Contact tracing requires us to review seating charts, talk with each staff member that may have been close to the person who is positive, discuss any co-curricular impacts, and conduct an interview of the person who was positive.** The County Department of Health has to do the same and consult with us about the health outcomes of individuals or whether or not to close our schools.

The Department of Health and the Black Horse Pike Regional School District family is urging our students, staff, and those in our communities to continue to be vigilant against the spread of COVID-19. Remember that transmission can occur even when an individual is asymptomatic (showing no signs of illness). Please wear a mask, wash your hands frequently, and stay socially distant (at least 6 feet).

Keeping our school doors open to students depends on these metrics. If the number of positive COVID-19 cases continue to increase, the effect will be more school districts close, more staff members unable to leave small children at home, and more heartache for all. We want to continue to educate students in-person, but if positivity rates continue to climb, we may be forced to transition to an all-remote learning option. Be smart, stay safe.

ATHLETICS UPDATE

NJSIAA continues to permit schools to participate in Fall Sports and now for Winter Sports. Their message can be found [here](#).

Essentially, there will be a shortened season and limitations on travel and spectators, but student athletes are working hard to prepare for play. If you are coming to the school to watch an athletic contest, please adhere to these guidelines:

- All spectators must wear a mask while on school property.
- Spectators, not in the same household, are to social distance, 6 feet apart or more, on the side-lines.
- There may be limits on how many spectators we can permit. For any event held in our stadium, there will be capacity limitations in place. Only those with passes or tickets may enter.
- We have informed law enforcement and school officials that some are attempting to photo-copy season passes and/or tickets. We have to limit game attendance, so you could be taking away viewing opportunities from another family.
- Spectator Guidance ([Highland example](#))

If a student-athlete is not exerting his or herself, they must wear a mask on the sideline. Cheerleaders and any Music participants must do the same when they are not exerting themselves. This is a directive as per the Department of Health.

For detailed information on NJSIAA Phases for Return to Play, please go [HERE](#). **There may be additional information released this week from the NJSIAA about Winter Athletics.**

For detailed information on eligibility and forms for your student athlete, please go the following school web links:

[Timber Creek](#)

[Triton](#)

[Highland](#)

Breakfast & Lunch: Free to All Students

ALL students are eligible for free breakfast and lunch every day, whether they are in school or not, for the first several weeks, so long as New Jersey continues their support of this food service program. This is great news for our families. When students enter our doors in the morning, breakfast is a grab & go...and it's free! For those students in school, if they wish to order lunch, every day they will complete a lunch order form. **The food will be delivered to their last period classroom in the new schedule.** The lunch order form can be found on the front page of every school's webpage:

[Timber Creek](#)

[Highland](#)

[Triton](#)

Once the lunch is delivered, students will take that lunch home with them. On some days, students will get lunch items that will last multiple days of the week.

In addition, for those students who are on a remote-only model or do not report to school on certain days, lunch will be provided at each school, every day, at these times: Between 11:30 am and 12:30 pm and between 6 pm and 7pm. You can pick up the school lunches during those times at each school.

FOOD SERVICE PICK-UP LOCATIONS:

[Timber Creek](#)

[Highland](#)

[Triton](#)

[How Do I Properly Wear A Mask](#)

[How To Strengthen Your Immunity](#)

[Learn Who Is Hiring In Your Community](#)

[Unemployed and Need Assistance](#)

If you have any questions or concerns about COVID-19 or need support, Call 2-1-1 for information or text "NJCOVID" to 898-211 or click this [link](#) for more resources.